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The North Bay Children's Center has been a safety net for so many families who struggle daily just to cover their basic needs. For many -- those basic needs have been compromised by the devastation of the Sonoma and Napa wildfires. We have staff and families who have lost their homes, and so many more who have been evacuated. The outpouring of support from the community is truly amazing as we all work around the clock to help people put their lives back together.

We re-opened our Valley Vista and Cherry Valley sites today for our families in Petaluma and are also providing critical temporary child care for the Petaluma and Rohnert Park Health Center's first responders so that they can stay "on the front line". Our Santa Rosa, Sonoma Valley, and Healdsburg sites remain closed and will open when it is safe to return to those campuses. Our Novato sites are presently open.

We are in contact with all of our families and are coordinating efforts to gather the necessary resources that will help them through this crisis. We all need to work together in a carefully coordinated effort to ensure our most vulnerable children do not fall through the cracks. This is a stressful time for families and we need to be sure our kids are cared for in age appropriate, safe learning environments. Keep following us on our [Facebook](#) page for daily updates on all our locations. Please contact us at our main office (415) 883-6222 if you have any questions or wish to help us assist those in need. Take care and be safe.

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