

Legacy El Dorado

A collaborative partnership of
First 5 El Dorado Children and Families Commission and
El Dorado Community Foundation

First 5 El Dorado Mission

“...is committed to improving the lives of children 0 through 5 and their families by promoting, enhancing, and developing comprehensive early childhood *systems* through *collaborative* partnerships, early care and education, health, and community services.”

Early learning begins prior to entering kindergarten.

“Children that are ready for school score higher on third grade reading tests, a predictor of high school graduation rates.”
~ Ready Nation

Prevention Services

- Well child visits for health and dental care
- Developmental monitoring
- Language and literacy development
- Strong and supportive families
- Access to community services

Early intervention strategies yield a high return on investment.

“For every dollar spent on early investments in young children, at least \$4-\$9 is saved in juvenile justice, remedial and special education.”
~ Heckman Institute

Collaborative Services

- Community Strengthening Groups
 - Divide Ready by 5
 - Western Slope Ready by 5
 - South Lake Tahoe Collaborative
- Identify and collaboratively address issues for families with young children.

Parents are their child's first teacher.

“Ninety (90%) of a child's brain develops by the age of five, before they enter school.”

~ First 5 CA
Commission

Parent Focused

- Take children to well child visits
- First tooth, first year
- Developmental check ups
- Talk, read and sing
- Choose high quality care
- Connect to community services.

How Can We Support Families with Young Children?

Offer *prevention services* in *welcoming environments* for families with young children *within their community.*

Systems Change

Local Advisory

“We are changing the current system because a more coordinated approach that works across systems and silos, toward an aligned goal, is necessary to reach our children and families, and a better return on taxpayer investment...”

~ Oregon EL Hubs

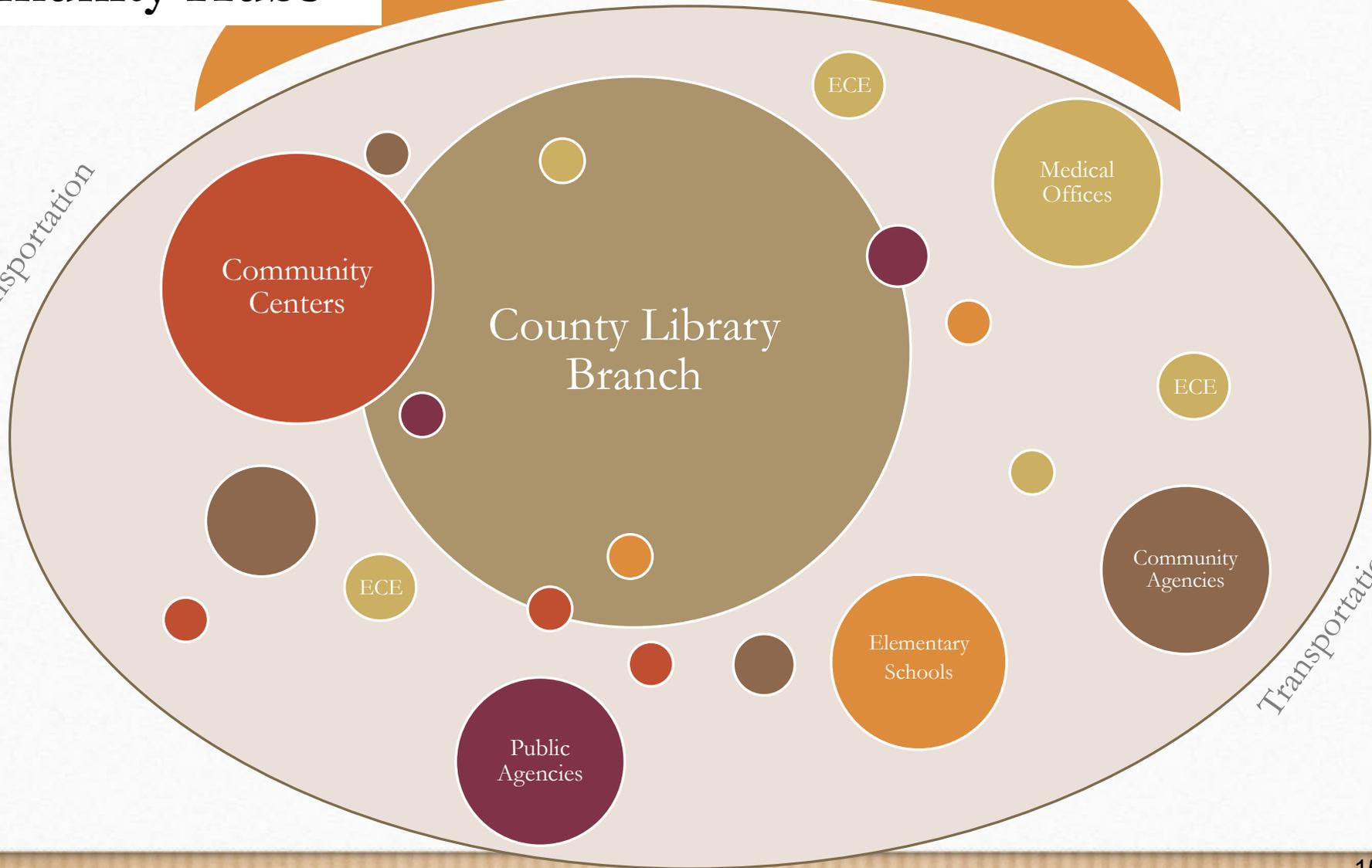
System Elements

- Community Hub
- Mobile Outreach
- Referral System

Community Hubs

Community Cabinets

Transportation



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Mobile Outreach

Targeted Services

Identify isolated communities and develop collaborative outreach strategies through place based visits.

- Neighborhoods
- Schools
- Other Community Gathering Places

Isolated Communities

- South Lake Tahoe
- Camino/Pollock Pines
- South County
- Georgetown

Connection to Services

Referral System

Build resilience in families to:

- Assess need
- Identify services
- Connect for support

Prevention

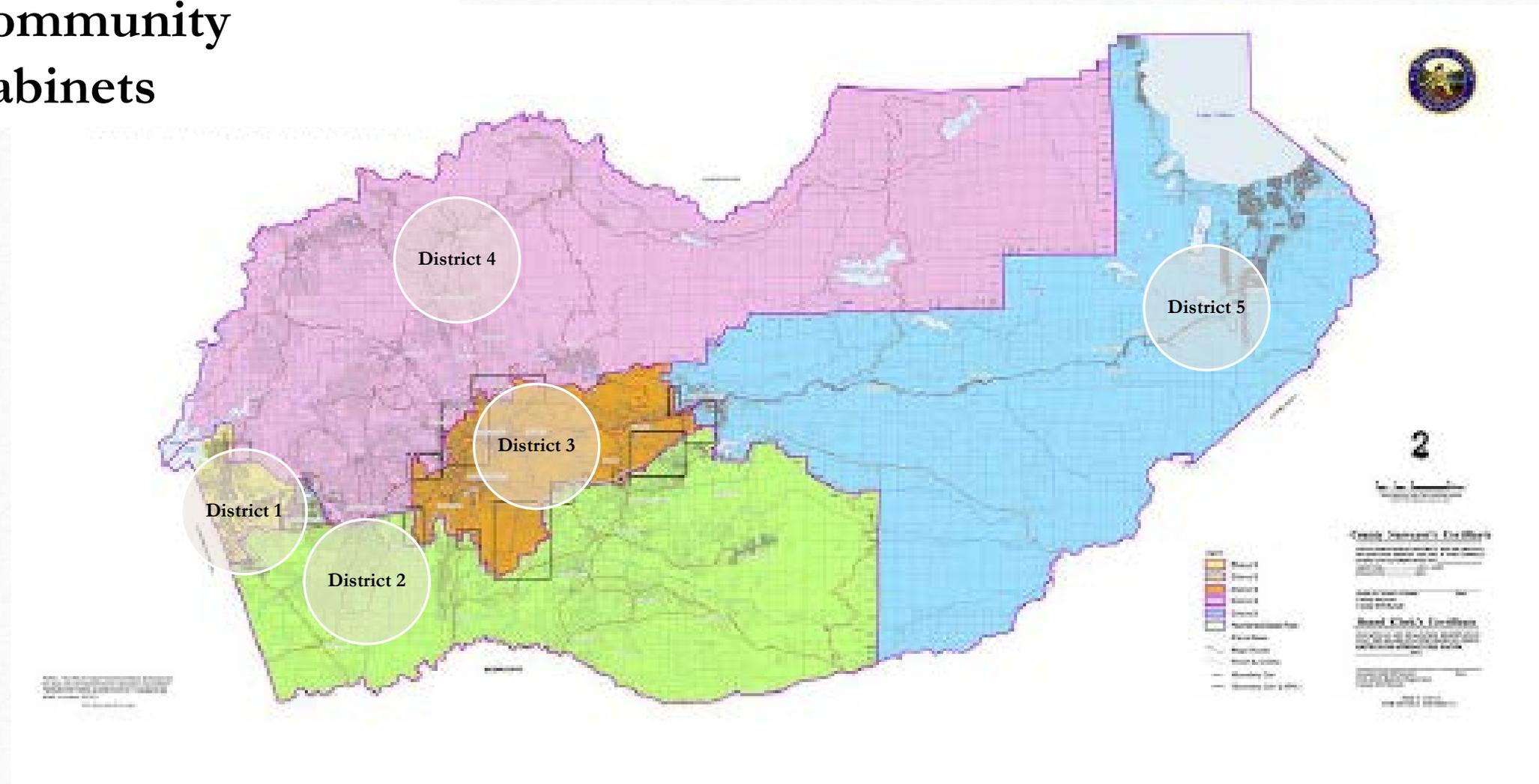
- Early identification
- Targeted services
- Efficient service delivery

We Can't Do This Alone.

Engage Community Leaders in developing a county wide **Vision** for families with young children

1. Form **Legacy El Dorado** to develop and guide vision.
2. Identify **Community Cabinets** to assess health, learning and supports for families with children ages 0-5 in communities.
3. Develop local plans to provide **community-based prevention and early intervention system** for families with children ages 0-5 including “Hubs”, mobile outreach and a referral system.

Community Cabinets



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