



# Human Services Career Cluster

The Human Services career cluster focuses on preparing individuals for employment in career pathways that relate to families and human needs, such as counseling and mental health services, family and community services, personal care services, and consumer services. This career cluster includes occupations ranging from community health workers to cosmetologists and nutritionists.

## Statewide Program of Study: *Family and Community Services*

The Family and Community Services program of study focuses on occupational and educational opportunities associated with social services, including child and human development and consumer sciences. This program of study includes managing social and community services, managing family and consumer sciences, and understanding career paths in social work or therapy for children, families, or school communities.



### Secondary Courses for High School Credit

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| <b>Level 1</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Principles of Human Services</li> <li>Dollars and Sense</li> </ul>             |
| <b>Level 2</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Child Development</li> <li>Lifetime Nutrition and Wellness</li> </ul>          |
| <b>Level 3</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Family and Community Services</li> <li>Counseling and Mental Health</li> </ul> |
| <b>Level 4</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Practicum in Human Services</li> </ul>   |



### Example Postsecondary Opportunities

#### Apprenticeships

- Community Health Worker Apprentice

#### Associate Degrees

- Social Work
- Human Development and Family Studies

#### Bachelor's Degrees

- Social Work
- Human Development and Family Studies

#### Master's, Doctoral, and Professional Degrees

- Mental Health Counseling
- Marriage and Family Therapy

#### Additional Stackable IBCs/License

- Certified Diabetes Educator



### Example Aligned Occupations

#### Community Health Workers

Median Wage: \$39,520  
Annual Openings: 501  
10-Year Growth: 25%

#### Social and Human Service Assistants

Median Wage: \$38,442  
Annual Openings: 3,298  
10-Year Growth: 21%

#### Child, Family, and School Social Workers

Median Wage: \$49,398  
Annual Openings: 2,342  
10-Year Growth: 14%

### Aligned Advanced Academic Courses

Dual Credit	Dual credit offerings will vary by local educational agency.
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Students should be advised to consider these course opportunities to enrich their preparation. AP or IB courses not listed under the Secondary Courses for High School Credit section of this framework document do not count towards concentrator/completer status for this program of study.

### Work-Based Learning and Expanded Learning Opportunities

#### Work-Based Learning Activities

- Participate in a community health worker apprenticeship at a community health center
- Shadow a social worker in a community non-profit organization to learn about providing social and community services

#### Expanded Learning Opportunities

- Participate in FCCLA

### Aligned Industry-Based Certifications

- Community Health Worker

