

Sarah Mayer Public Comment - Group 2

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From: Emma Clark <emmaclarkwrites@outlook.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 5, 2024 11:22 AM
To: sbcob
Subject: Comment to Santa Barbara County Officials

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Dear Santa Barbara County Officials,

As a parent of a young child, I'm writing to let you know that I am concerned about the lack of affordable childcare options in our community.

The high cost of care and the limited availability of slots make it difficult for working families like mine to find reliable care for our children.

It's heartbreaking to see so many families struggling to make ends meet while also trying to provide the best care for their children.

To be honest with you, I feel a little ashamed that I was not aware of this issue prior to having my own child. This is a HUGE issue in our community.

I would expect our county officials to be well aware of this and DO SOMETHING ASAP!

Thank you for taking the time to read my comment.

Best regards,
Emma Clark

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From: Karin Brown <browncarin416@outlook.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 5, 2024 1:37 PM
To: sbcob
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Esteemed Santa Barbara County Officials,

As a passionate childcare provider, I am hopeful that our county leaders will recognize the urgent need for support and resources in the daycare industry. The challenges we face, from managing waitlists via outdated technology to the struggle of marketing our business and hiring assistants, are really starting to pile up. By allocating funds for small business daycare owners and investing in new solutions, we can ensure the sustainability of childcare businesses and the well-being of our community's children.

I implore you to prioritize the childcare sector when awarding funds for support initiatives to address this pressing issue.

Sincerely,
Karin Brown