



WE ARE THE CARE  
SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY

# We Are In This Together



Parents, Grandparents, Families—in case you need a reminder—**YOU ARE ENOUGH.** We see the strain you are under—juggling work/life balance within this challenging and unsettling new existence. Classroom curriculums and settings aside, you are and always have been your child’s first and forever teacher! We celebrate your tenacity and nimbleness at navigating a new, anything-but-normal educational era. Stressors may be at an all-time high, but your calm and steady presence has the power to transcend the turmoil. Remember to take care of yourselves as you care for everyone else. Know that we champion you all, and wish you continued perseverance and peace throughout this pressure-filled pandemic and well beyond.

Thank you, parents and families, for being true Hands-on Heroes each and every day.



“We Are the Care” was born from “Where’s the Care?”, a Town Hall hosted in May 2019 by First 5 San Luis Obispo County with the support of local stakeholders. It led to the creation of three task forces dedicated to addressing challenges and identifying opportunities to improve and expand our local child care system. “Hands-on Heroes” is a recognition program, coordinated with partner agencies, that honors individuals making a difference in the lives of young children and families. The year 2020 highlights Heroes in Child Care. To learn more about “We Are the Care” and “Hands-on Heroes”, please visit [first5slo.org](http://first5slo.org).