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Child Care Resource & Referral

Child Care Resource & Referral (R&R) is a county-wide child care information and referral program. R&R supports Plumas County parents and child care providers with the following:

- Free Child Care Referrals
- Recruitment of New Child Care Providers
- Child Care Licensing Assistance
- Toy/Resource Lending Library
- Workshops
- Training Programs & Special Events
- Referral to Child Care Payment Program

R&R also implements the Child Care Initiative Project, which focuses on capacity building and quality improvement of family child care and license-exempt child care.

R&R is continuously seeking new providers and providing quality training opportunities for existing providers. More information can be found [online here](#), or by [emailing](#) or calling Coordinator Debbie Guy at 530-283-4453, ext. 824.



Gary McFarland

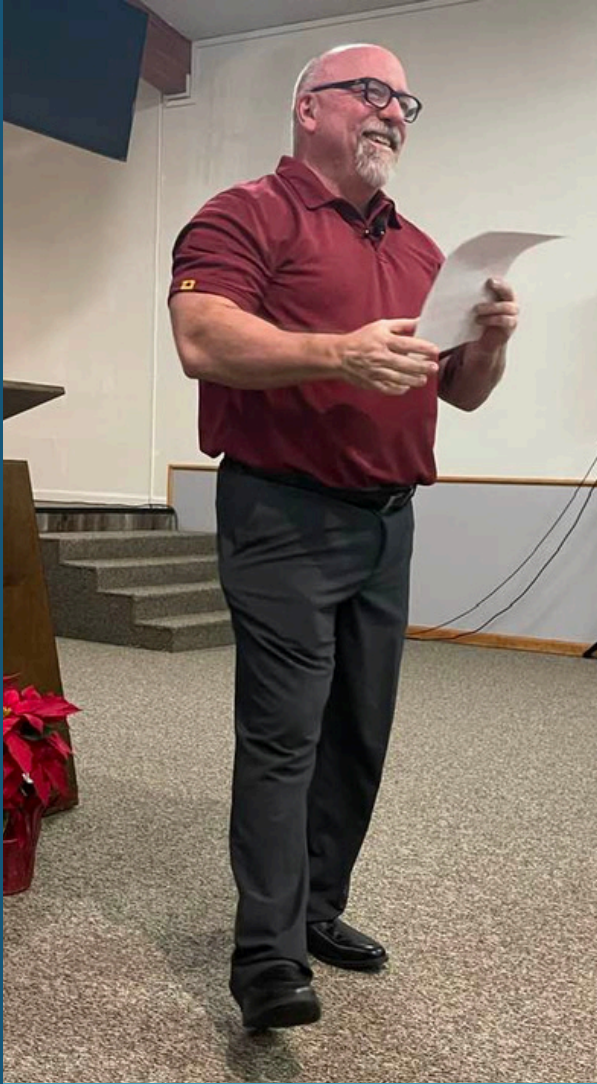
Housing Coordinator

Thirty years ago, Gary McFarland, Housing Coordinator, was looking for a professional change where he felt he could make a difference. He hired on with the Plumas County Sheriff's Office and has lived here ever since, working in the Plumas County Jail for about 15 years as well.

He first came to PRS through Plumas Transit Systems as that program's Coordinator, bringing much of his organizational experience in law enforcement and corrections to bear on program operations. In particular, collaborating and consulting with counterparts in other rural transit operations and working non-traditional solutions to issues were key factors in helping him to run the program.

When Gary left the Transit program, he continued to work with PRS as a Driver Trainer and resource for Transit. He also facilitated Mental Health First Aid and organizational leadership trainings.

Gary returned to PRS in March 2026 as the Housing Coordinator for PRS's two newest efforts in that field - coordinating the Plumas Housing Council and supporting the Built for Plumas project. "I think it's going



"I'm excited to be part of this active plan to regrow our community after the Dixie Fire."

to make a huge impact on the county," he says. "For me, to be part of this plan to rebuild is awesome."

When he's not working, Gary has been a pastor at Christian Life Fellowship for the past 3 years, and he looks forward to being ordained in 2027. He's also been a powerlifter for the past 15 years. He was inducted into the Hall of Fame in 2022 and holds several World Records. He's preparing for his final powerlifting meet next year.

Mobile Dental Services

June 1 & 2, 8 AM - 5 PM

Chester Wellness Center (372 Main Street)

All Ages and Walk-ins Welcome



Services Offered:

Exams, X-Rays, Cleanings, Sealants, Fluoride Varnish, Restorative Services & Simple Extractions

Stop by the mobile dental van to connect with a Medical Dental Outreach Representative and get information about available dental benefits, services, and how to access care. Call 1-888-585-3368 to pre-register and complete consent forms ahead of time.

Plumas County Children's Fair

PRS staff attended Plumas County's annual Children's Fair on Saturday, May 16th, at the Plumas-Sierra County Fairgrounds. In the spirit of the Fair's theme this year, "Unplug and Play!" PRS hosted a slime creation station, bean bag toss, rock/magnet painting stations, bubble station, and the breastfeeding area.

In addition to a general table for the agency, the following programs participated to share information about how they support families and children: Child Care Payment Program, Child Care Resource & Referral, Domestic Violence Services, Early Start Family Resource Center, Family Empowerment Center, and WIC.

In total, 19 PRS staff participated in the Children's Fair which welcomed an estimated 200+ children. It was a wonderful event for all involved.



"Community is much more than belonging to something; it's about doing something together that makes belonging matter."

- Brian Solis

Housing Efforts

With the onboarding of Housing Coordinator Gary McFarland (see page 2), PRS is diving into two new efforts to bolster the housing market in Plumas County. PRS is facilitating the [Plumas Housing Council](#), including administrative support of this collaborative coalition which brings together nonprofits, employers, builders, and government agencies to align and advance housing solutions for residents countywide. The Council works to ensure that safe, attainable housing is accessible for all who live and work in communities throughout Plumas County.

PRS's housing efforts also include promotion of the [Move In! Plumas](#) program which seeks to attract those looking to relocate to consider the Lost Sierra as their destination, offering both financial incentives and concierge support to get new residents connected in their community.



Coming Up at PRS...

Events, Trainings, & More

Wed, June 10, 6:00 - 8:00 PM

CPIN Region 2: Plumas County In Person
- Count Play Explore: Ramps & Pathways
*Event for Early Learning & Care
Providers*

711 E. Main St, Quincy, Dinner Provided
REGISTER BY JUNE 2ND with Debbie Guy
at 530-283-4453 ext 824

Fri, June 19

PRS Offices Closed for Juneteenth

Thu, June 25, 12:00 - 2:00 PM

'Lunch - Learn - Lead' Development
Seminar: Courageous Conversations at
Work

CLF Church, 317 1st St, Quincy
[Register here](#)

To Be Announced

The Family Empowerment Center is transforming its monthly Parent Support Group into "Crafty Connections," a dynamic, interactive experience focused on creativity and community building. This summer event helps caregivers foster peer connections through arts and crafts. We encourage your feedback and insights on how to make "Crafty Connections" enriching and beneficial for all participants.



JOIN OUR TEAM!

Visit [our website](#) for up-to-date information on positions and to apply.

Building & Vehicle Maintenance Coordinator - Full-Time

ALIVE Support Specialist - Full-Time & Part-Time

Transit Driver - On-Call

These positions available at time of print.

WE'RE HIRING



Lunch Learn Lead Training, May 28, 2026



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