The mission of the California Department of Social Services is to serve, aid and protect needy and vulnerable children and adults in ways that strengthen and preserve families, encourage personal responsibility and foster independence.

The Department, comprised of more than 4800 employees is responsible for the oversight and administration of programs that impact the lives of nearly eight million Californians. Use your experience and/or education for occupations supporting the following areas:

**ADMINISTRATION DIVISION:** Provide essential administrative services to all California Department of Social Services (CDSS) programs. Jobs exist in various fields such as accounting, budgeting, fiscal services, building and facilities maintenance, human resources, research services, as well as clerical, analytical and managerial opportunities.

**ADULT PROGRAMS DIVISION:** Provide oversight, policy and systems functions for programs serving the aged, blind and disabled.

**CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES DIVISION:** Provide assistance in adoptions, foster care, children’s programs and child welfare services.

**COMMUNITY CARE LICENSING DIVISION:** Provide oversight and enforcement for more than 70,000 licensed community care facilities statewide serving children, parents and the elderly.

**DISABILITY DETERMINATION SERVICE DIVISION:** Determine the medical eligibility of disabled California residents seeking public assistance.

**EXECUTIVE DIVISION:** Collaborates with programs to establish policies and procedures which support CDSS’ mission. This Division includes Public Affairs, Equal Employment Opportunity Office, Enterprise Bureau, Office of Legislation and the Director’s Office.

**FAMILY ENGAGEMENT AND EMPOWERMENT DIVISION:** Provide policy oversight of state and federal program that provide cash and food assistance to eligible families. Collaborate with county partners and non-profit organizations to serve California’s most vulnerable residents.

**INFORMATION SYSTEMS DIVISION:** Help programs and operations achieve their goals by supporting and enhancing access to information and data.

**LEGAL DIVISION:** Provide professional and ethical legal assistance to all divisions of CDSS to help accomplish their mission.

**OFFICE OF LEGISLATION:** Provide communication and coordination support to the Department on issues related to legislation.

**STATE HEARINGS DIVISION:** Resolve disputes of applicants and recipients of public social services throughout the hearings process.

CDSS offices are located in areas such as:

- Bay Area
- El Segundo
- Los Angeles
- Riverside
- Sacramento
- San Jose
- Chico
- Fresno
- Orange County
- Rohnert Park
- San Diego
- Santa Barbara

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