

California Project LEAN (Leaders Encouraging Activity and Nutrition) (CPL) is a program of the California Department of Public Health. CPL works to advance nutrition and physical activity policy in schools and communities to prevent obesity and its associated chronic diseases. Efforts are centered around youth and parent empowerment approaches, policy and environmental change strategies, and community-based solutions that improve nutrition and physical activity environments. For more information, visit <u>www.CaliforniaProjectLEAN.org</u>.

The Central Valley Health & Nutrition Collaborative (CVHNC) is composed of over 100 Health and Nutrition-related partner organizations and more than 250 individuals who are committed to the health of residents in Mariposa, Merced, Madera, Fresno, Tulare, Kings, and Kern counties. The CVHNC brings organizations together to address regional health concerns through policy, prevention and intervention activities. For more information, visit <u>www.CVHNC.org.</u>

The **Dolores Huerta Foundation** (DHF) is a 501 (c)(3) community benefit organization that organizes at the grassroots level, engaging and developing natural leaders. DHF creates leadership opportunities for community organizing, leadership development, civic engagement, and policy advocacy in Health and Environment, Education and Youth Development and Economic Development. Its mission is to create a network of organized communities pursuing social justice through systemic and structural transformation. Several DFH projects are in agricultural communities of California's Central Valley including Arvin, Lamont, Weedpatch, Lost Hills, Lindsay, Woodlake, and Cutler-Orosi. For more information, visit <u>www.doloreshuerta.org</u>.

The Kern County Public Health Services Department (KCPHSD) is the local governmental agency charged with protection and promotion of the public's health. KCPHSD's mission is to prevent disease, promote healthy lifestyles, and protect the health of all Kern County residents. As the third largest county in California, the Department's jurisdiction covers all of Kern County, approximately 8,161 square miles consisting of valley, mountain, and desert terrain. As part of our mission, we are interested in the overall status of the community by applying the core public

health functions of assessment, assurance, and policy development, along with promoting and encouraging healthy behaviors. For more information, visit <u>www.kernpublichealth.com</u>.

The **Arvin Union School District** provides a high-quality, rigorous, instructional program for all students in a nurturing environment that will prepare all to be productive members in their communities and in the greater society. The school district includes three elementary schools and one middle school in the Kern County community of Arvin. For more information, visit <u>http://www.arvinschools.com</u>.