How do increased child care assistance rates support my community?

ANOKA COUNTY

Child care assistance benefits employers by helping families afford child care so parents can work. Providing more access to high quality child care supports the current and future workforce by helping young learners prepare for success in school and life.

Increasing child care assistance rates helps providers and parents

Increasing child care assistance payments to current market rates helps child care providers in your area continue to provide an essential service, and recognizes their hard work. At the 75th percentile in Anoka County, maximum family child care rates would go up $15 for toddlers and $20 for preschoolers. Child care center rates would increase $71 a week for toddlers and $67 for preschoolers. Here’s what some providers say about the below-market rates the state currently pays:

- “I just want to get paid what I charge everyone else.” (Licensed family child care provider)
- “Families are not able to pay the difference.” (Licensed child care center provider)
- “If I had to accept the rates the county pays I wouldn’t be in business at all.” (Licensed family child care provider)

Fully funding Basic Sliding Fee child care assistance eliminates waiting lists

As of December 2021 in Anoka County, there are 347 families on the Basic Sliding Fee Child Care Assistance Program waiting list. Without fully funding the Basic Sliding Fee program, this waiting list will continue to grow because some temporary funds are only in place through 2024.

Increasing reimbursement rates prevents losing federal funds

The federal benchmark for child care subsidy reimbursement rates is the 75th percentile of the most recent rate survey. This is the recommended percentile to help ensure equal access to child care.

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How do increased child care assistance rates support my community?

CARVER COUNTY

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**Increasing child care assistance rates helps providers and parents**

Increasing child care assistance payments to current market rates helps child care providers in your area continue to provide an essential service, and recognizes their hard work. At the 75th percentile in Carver County, **maximum weekly family child care rates would go up $30 for toddlers and preschoolers. Child care center rates would increase $71 a week for toddlers and $67 for preschoolers.** Here’s what some providers say about the below-market rates the state currently pays:

- “I just want to get paid what I charge everyone else.” (Licensed family child care provider)
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**Child Care Assistance in Carver County**

- **310 children from 169 families served in State Fiscal Year 2021**
- Fewer than **10** family child care providers reimbursed in State Fiscal Year 2021
- **31** child care center providers reimbursed in State Fiscal Year 2021

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**Carver County weekly Family Child Care prices (2021)**

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**Carver County weekly Center prices (2021)**

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DAKOTA COUNTY

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Increasing child care assistance rates helps providers and parents

Increasing child care assistance payments to current market rates helps child care providers in your area continue to provide an essential service, and recognizes their hard work. At the 75th percentile in Dakota County, **maximum weekly family child care rates would go up $30 for toddlers and preschoolers.** Child care center rates would increase **$71 a week for toddlers and $67 for preschoolers.** Here’s what some providers say about the below-market rates the state currently pays:

- “I just want to get paid what I charge everyone else.” (Licensed family child care provider)
- “Families are not able to pay the difference.” (Licensed child care center provider)
- “If I had to accept the rates the county pays I wouldn’t be in business at all.” (Licensed family child care provider)

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How do increased child care assistance rates support my community?

HENNEPIN COUNTY

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Increasing child care assistance rates helps providers and parents
Increasing child care assistance payments to current market rates helps child care providers in your area continue to provide an essential service, and recognizes their hard work. At the 75th percentile in Hennepin County, maximum weekly family child care rates would go up $30 for toddlers and preschoolers. Child care center rates would increase $71 a week for toddlers and $67 for preschoolers. Here’s what some providers say about the below-market rates the state currently pays:

- “I just want to get paid what I charge everyone else.” (Licensed family child care provider)
- “Families are not able to pay the difference.” (Licensed child care center provider)
- “If I had to accept the rates the county pays I wouldn’t be in business at all.” (Licensed family child care provider)

Fully funding Basic Sliding Fee child care assistance eliminates waiting lists
As of December 2021 in Hennepin County, there are 26 families on the Basic Sliding Fee Child Care Assistance Program waiting list. Without fully funding the Basic Sliding Fee program, this waiting list will continue to grow because some temporary funds are only in place through 2024.

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How do increased child care assistance rates support my community?

Ramsey County

Child care assistance benefits employers by helping families afford child care so parents can work. Providing more access to high quality child care supports the current and future workforce by helping young learners prepare for success in school and life.

Increasing child care assistance rates helps providers and parents

Increasing child care assistance payments to current market rates helps child care providers in your area continue to provide an essential service, and recognizes their hard work. At the 75th percentile in Ramsey County, maximum weekly family child care rates would go up $30 for toddlers and preschoolers. Child care center rates would increase $71 a week for toddlers and $67 for preschoolers. Here’s what some providers say about the below-market rates the state currently pays¹:

- “I just want to get paid what I charge everyone else.” (Licensed family child care provider)
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SCOTT COUNTY

Child care assistance benefits employers by helping families afford child care so parents can work. Providing more access to high quality child care supports the current and future workforce by helping young learners prepare for success in school and life.

Increasing child care assistance rates helps providers and parents
Increasing child care assistance payments to current market rates helps child care providers in your area continue to provide an essential service, and recognizes their hard work. At the 75th percentile in Scott County, maximum weekly family child care rates would go up $30 for toddlers and preschoolers. Child care center rates would increase $71 a week for toddlers and $67 for preschoolers. Here’s what some providers say about the below-market rates the state currently pays:

- “I just want to get paid what I charge everyone else.” (Licensed family child care provider)
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How do increased child care assistance rates support my community?

WASHINGTON COUNTY

Child care assistance benefits employers by helping families afford child care so parents can work. Providing more access to high quality child care supports the current and future workforce by helping young learners prepare for success in school and life.

Increasing child care assistance rates helps providers and parents

Increasing child care assistance payments to current market rates helps child care providers in your area continue to provide an essential service, and recognizes their hard work. At the 75th percentile in Washington County, maximum weekly family child care rates would go up $30 for toddlers and preschoolers. Child care center rates would increase $71 a week for toddlers and $67 for preschoolers. Here’s what some providers say about the below-market rates the state currently pays¹:

- “I just want to get paid what I charge everyone else.” (Licensed family child care provider)
- “Families are not able to pay the difference.” (Licensed child care center provider)
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