Help Paying for Child Care

Children’s Council offers a variety of financial assistance programs to partially or completely cover the costs of care for children from birth until age 13. Eligibility is based on family size and income. Families may be eligible regardless of immigration status. Child care options vary depending on the type of financial assistance for which you qualify.

Learn more about how much child care costs in San Francisco in our Online Help Center.

For a full range of articles about financial assistance options for child care, visit our Online Help Center.

For important financial forms and documents, please see our menu below.

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Income Requirements for most State and Local Subsidies

If your household income is less than the amount listed here, you may qualify:

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<th>Family Size</th>
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<td>Gross (pre-tax) Monthly Income</td>
<td>$5,889</td>
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*San Francisco’s Preschool for All program is available to families at all income levels.

FAMILY FEES

Depending on your gross monthly income, your child care subsidy may require you to pay a portion of your subsidy; this is called a family fee. The following table shows family fee increments according to gross monthly income and family size. Click here to view the family fee table.
Apply for Financial Assistance

Take the first step to see if you qualify for financial assistance for early child care and education: click here to apply. Families will be contacted as child care spaces become available.

Children’s Council is here to help! Please contact our counselors to learn more:

- **Phone**: 415.343.3300
- **Email**: rr@childrenscouncil.org

Documents and Forms - English

- [Emergency Form](#)
- [Employment Verification](#)
- [Family Subsidy Policy Handbook (Stage 2, Stage 3, CAPP)](#)
- [Family Subsidy Policy Handbook ELS](#)
- [Family Subsidy Policy Handbook Referral Programs](#)
- [Family Subsidy Policy Handbook FCS](#)
- [Income Self Declaration](#)
- [Seeking Employment Plan](#)
- [Seeking Permanent Housing Plan](#)
- [Self Declaration](#)
- [Self Employment Verification Form](#)
- [Statement of Exceptional Needs](#)
- [Statement of Incapacity](#)
- [Training Verification](#)
- [Update Employment Verification](#)
- [Vocational Training Guidelines](#)
**Documents and Forms - Español**

- Información para Identificación y Emergencias
- Verificación de Empleo
- Manual de Reglamentos del Subsidio Familiar
- Declaración de Ingresos
- Plan para Cuando se está Buscando Empleo
- Plan para Buscar Vivienda Permanente
- Formulario de Auto-Declaración
- Formulario de Verificación de Trabajo por Cuenta Propia
- Declaración de Necesidades Excepcionales de el Niño
- Declaración de Incapacidad del Padre
- Verificación de Formación Profesional
- Verificación de Empleo para Actualizaciones
- Normas Sobre la Formación Profesional

**Documents and Forms (文件與表格) - 中文**

- 紧急情況與身份識別資訊
- 職業查核表
- 家庭補助政策手冊
- 收入聲明
- 繼工作計劃表
- 繼找永久住所計劃表
- 自我聲明書
- 自僱人仕查核表
- 兒童特殊需要聲明書
- 喪失工作能力聲明書
- 職業培訓查核表
- 更新就業證明
- 學生家長職業培訓指引