Child Care and Early Education Profile: 2023

96th State House District Representative Sue Scherer

A Snapshot of Children in State House District 96

8,086 Children 0 to 5 80% of children 0 to 5 live in households where all parents work

8,896 Children 6 to 12

16,982 Total children under 13

What child care options are available to families?

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19 Child care centers can serve up to 2,142 children

73 Licensed child care homes can serve up to 680 children

430 License-exempt home caregivers can serve around 1071 children

How much are families paying for child care?

MEDIAN FAMILY INCOME: \$59,041

INFANT: Average annual price of licensed care

Home-based: \$8,892

Center-based: \$11,800 <

This is 15%-20% of a family's income.

PRESCHOOLER: Average annual price of licensed care

Home-based: \$7,791

Center-based: \$8,936

This is 13%-15% of a family's income.

The cost of center care rivals college tuition: \$14,579

What programs support children & families in your district?

CHILD CARE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES (IDHS)

1,117 children age 0-2

1,012 children age 3-5

1,371 children age 6-12

3,541 children served

\$11,694,838

in total CCAP payments to providers in the district

The Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP), funded through IDHS, helps families pay for child care while they work or go to school.

EARLY CHILDHOOD BLOCK GRANT

ILLINOIS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION (ISBE)

3 Prevention Initiative programs

206 children age 0-2

5 Preschool for All programs560 children age 3-5

766 children served

The Early Childhood Block Grant is funded by ISBE to help programs provide high-quality early education opportunities through Preschool for All (PFA) and Prevention Initiative (PI) services for infants, toddlers, and expectant families.

HEAD START & EARLY HEAD START

US DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

2 Early Head Start sites

238 children age 0-2

2 Head Start sites243 children age 3-5

481 children served

Head Start programs for 3– and 4-year-olds, along with Early Head Start for infants and toddlers, are federally-funded early education programs for families living below the poverty line and designed to meet the comprehensive needs of families.

