

Child Care and Early Education Profile: 2023

4th Congressional District Congressman Jesús "Chuy" García

A Snapshot of Children in Congressional District 4

46,671 Children 0 to 5 } **65%** of children 0 to 5 live in households where all parents work
67,546 Children 6 to 12
114,217 Total children under 13

What child care options are available to families?



161 Child care centers can serve up to **13,101** children



364 Licensed child care homes can serve up to **3,849** children



427 License-exempt home caregivers can serve around **904** children

How much are families paying for child care?

MEDIAN FAMILY INCOME: \$79,136

INFANT: Average annual price of licensed care



Home-based: **\$10,757**



Center-based: **\$15,924**

This is **14%-20%** of a family's income.

PRESCHOOLER: Average annual price of licensed care



Home-based: **\$9,338**



Center-based: **\$11,385**

This is **12%-14%** 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)

3,429 children age 0-2

4,002 children age 3-5

4,289 children age 6-12

11,817 children served

\$61,758,272

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)

23 Prevention Initiative programs

1,292 children age 0-2

128 Preschool for All programs

6,741 children age 3-5

8,033 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

34 Early Head Start sites

1,346 children age 0-2

22 Head Start sites

1,011 children age 3-5

2,357 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.