Child Care and Early Education Profile: 2023

8th Congressional District Congressman Raja Krishnamoorthi

A Snapshot of Children in Congressional District 8

53,513 Children 0 to 5 70% of children 0 to 5 live in households where all parents work

68,631 Children 6 to 12

122,143 Total children under 13

What child care options are available to families?

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156 Child care centers can serve up to 17,464 children

104 Licensed child care homes can serve up to 1,054 children

128 License-exempt home caregivers can serve around 288 children

How much are families paying for child care?

MEDIAN FAMILY INCOME: \$100,311

INFANT: Average annual price of licensed care

Home-based: \$11,585

Center-based: \$17,836 <

This is 12%-18% of a family's income.

PRESCHOOLER: Average annual price of licensed care

Home-based: \$10,556

Center-based: **\$13,227**

This is 11%-13% 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)

1,668 children age 0-2

2,103 children age 3-5

1,745 children age 6-12

5,540 children served

\$27,288,974

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)

15 Prevention Initiative programs

828 children age 0-2

34 Preschool for All programs

3,428 children age 3-5

4,256 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 193 children age 0-2

9 Head Start sites294 children age 3-5

487 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.

