

Child Care and Early Education Profile: 2020

44th State House District

Representative Fred Crespo

A Snapshot of Children in State House District

4,285 children 0 to 2
4,472 children 3 to 5
10,309 children 6 to 12

} **57%** of children under 6 live in households where all parents work

Child Care Options for Families



19 child care centers with capacity to serve up to **2,003** children



22 licensed child care homes with capacity to serve up to **194** children



29 license-exempt home caregivers serve around **58** children

Child Care Is Expensive for Many Families

MEDIAN FAMILY INCOME: \$81,970

Average annual cost of licensed care: **INFANT**

Home-based: **\$10,569**

Center-based: **\$15,182**

This is **13%-19%** of a family's income.

This rivals college tuition: **\$14,166**

Average annual cost of licensed care: **PRESCHOOLER**

Home-based: **\$9,708**

Center-based: **\$11,963**

This is **12%-15%** of a family's income.

Early Care and Education Programs Support Children and Families

CHILD CARE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

1,199 children served

370 children age 0-2

412 children age 3-5

417 children age 6-12

\$5,490,546

total CCAP payments

The Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP), funded through the Illinois Department of Human Services, helps families pay for child care while they work or go to school. Families are eligible if they earn below 200% of the Federal Poverty Level, or \$42,660 for a family of three.

EARLY CHILDHOOD BLOCK GRANT

93 children served

3 Prevention Initiative programs

26 children age 0-2

1 Preschool for All programs

67 children age 3-5

Early Childhood Block Grant funds from the Illinois State Board of Education provide high-quality early education opportunities through Preschool for All (PFA) part- and full-day programs for 3- and 4-year-olds and Prevention Initiative services for infants, toddlers, and expectant families. Programs are expected to prioritize children determined to be at-risk.

HEAD START & EARLY HEAD START

0 children served

0 Early Head Start sites

0 children age 0-2

0 Head Start sites

0 children age 3-5

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.