Additional Services

Early Childhood and Prevention Services are available to help families.

Early Childhood and Prevention Services help to promote quality and safety in early care and education environments for all Missouri families.

These services include:

- Early Head Start
- ParentLink
- Home Visiting Program
- Crisis Care
- Out of School Time
- Resources for children with special needs

To find out more about these services, visit:
dss.mo.gov/cd/child-care

Our Mission

We will lead the nation in building the capacity of individuals, families, and communities to secure and sustain healthy, safe, and productive lives.

FSD Information Line

Call 855-373-4636
Relay Missouri: 711

Need help with a language other than English? Call 1-855-373-4636 and tell the representative the language you need.

¿Necesita ayuda en un idioma que no sea el inglés? Llame al 1-855-373-4636 y dígale al representante cuál es el idioma que requiere.

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TDD/TTY: 800-735-2966, Relay Missouri: 711

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U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
Office of Civil Rights
601 E. 12th St., Room 248
Kansas City, MO 64106
or
Office of Civil Rights
P.O. Box 1527
Jefferson City, MO 65102

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Child Care Subsidy Program

Help with child care that fits your schedule

Missouri Department of Social Services
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A statewide team here to help you.

What is the Child Care Subsidy Program?

The Child Care Subsidy Program helps eligible families pay for child care so parents can focus on finding and holding steady work that can support their families' needs.

It helps pay for the child care that fits your schedule:

- Days
- Evenings
- Weekends

Payments through the Child Care Subsidy Program will cover part or all of your child care costs.

Who is eligible?

Low-income parents or guardians of a child under the age of 13 (or age 13 or older with a special need) who are:

- Working
- Attending school
- In job training
- Disabled
- Homeless
- Searching for a job
- Being evaluated for training and/or employment
- Receiving child welfare services from the Children's Division

How do I apply?

Visit mydss.mo.gov. If you have questions, contact FSD at 1-855-FSD-INFO (1-855-373-4636).

How will I know if I'm eligible?

You will receive an approval letter from the Family Support Division that tells you when your eligibility for Child Care Subsidy will begin and end.

If you are not eligible, you will receive a letter explaining you do not qualify for assistance at this time.

How much can be paid to my child care provider?

The amount paid by the Child Care Subsidy Program is based on your schedule and who is providing care for your child.

Finding Child Care

If you are receiving assistance through the Child Care Subsidy Program, your child care provider must be contracted with the Children's Division.

If you need help finding a child care provider contracted with the Children's Division, contact:

Child Care Aware® of Missouri
1-866-892-3228
mo.childcareaware.org

myDSS.mo.gov