

Childcare Assistance Program



Welcome

The Child Care Assistance Program provides opportunities for low income Alexandrians to receive the quality childcare that all children deserve. The program helps cover the costs of childcare, which for many families is the lifeline to work, economic security, and healthy kids.

Eligibility Requirements for Child Care Assistance

Please note that eligibility requirements may change periodically and include such requirements as:

- Family must reside in the City of Alexandria.
- Children must be US citizens or have an eligible visa status. We do not ask for the parent visa status.
- Children must be under age 13, or under 18 if they are unable to care for themselves.
- Parents must be employed or in an accredited school.
- Family must meet minimum wage and a maximum monthly income limitations

An eligible family may receive up to 72 months (six years) of childcare assistance, as funding is available.

How to Apply

Complete the application online at commonhelp.virginia.gov. For families without internet access or those in need of assistance with the application, call 703.746.5437 to complete the application by phone.



Department of Community and Human Services

703.746.5437

www.alexandriava.gov/DCHS

Location

The Child Care Assistance Program is located at: 1900 N. Beauregard Street, 2nd Floor, Suite 250, Alexandria, VA 22311. There is a document drop-off box next to the office door. Regular hours of operation are Mon - Fri 8 a.m.— 5 p.m. Please call to confirm that the office is open.

Resources for Parents and Providers

- Department of Community and Human Services (DCHS) | alexandriava.gov/childcare | Updated weekly | DCHS provides oversight and monitoring of these providers, including awareness of who lives in the home
- Child Care Aware | VAchildcare.org | Call 1.866.KIDS.TLC for an up-to-date list of options
- Smart Beginnings | sbalexandria.org
- Child Care Microsite | childcareva.com
- Guidance for Parents | dss.virginia.gov/family/cc/publications.cgi
- Virginia Department of Social Services (DSS) dss.virginia.gov/family/cc/professionals_resources.cgi
- DSS FUSION | fusion.dss.virginia.gov/ccecd/
- USDA Child and Adult Care Food Program | fns.usda.gov/cacfp/child-day-care-centers



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