



Limited, short-term assistance may be available.

Are you facing a medical emergency, loss of wages, or an unexpected hardship?

Are you at risk of losing your child care?

Do you lack child care alternatives or other financial resources?

EMERGENCY CHILD CARE VOUCHER PROGRAM

Program Overview

- ✓ Call or visit the Quality Child Care Division of Opportunity Council to fill out an application.
- ✓ Return the completed application via email, fax, mail, or in person.
- ✓ Include a bill from a licensed, child care provider that includes dates and amounts of child care.
- ✓ Upon approval, a staff member will provide additional instructions.
- ✓ Once an application is approved and processed, Opportunity Council will make the payment directly to the licensed, child care provider.

Finding Quality Child Care

Call the Child Care Aware of WA Family Center for help with finding high-quality, licensed child care.

childcareawarewa.org/families
1 (800) 446-1114



Contact Information

Early Learning and Family Services
Attn: Quality Child Care Division
1111 Cornwall Ave, Floor 2
Bellingham, WA 98225

childcare@oppco.org
(360) 734-8396 ext 227
(360) 671-5096 fax



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IS YOUR FAMILY EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS?



**We can help you find
and pay for high-quality
licensed child care.**

**Access child care today by calling our
Family Center at (800) 446-1114**

What can child care offer?

- Trained caregivers
- Support for the whole family
- Individualized care and attention
- A warm, clean, safe environment
- Healthy, nutritious meals
- Playing and learning through fun activities

How do I qualify?

- Live temporarily with family or friends
- Do not have a home
- Live in a shelter, car or park
- Live in transitional housing
- Live in Domestic Violence program housing
- Are income eligible
- Other temporary situations could also qualify you.

How do we help?

- We help you find out if you are eligible for the child care subsidy.
- We help you navigate the state subsidy system and complete your application for Working Connections Child Care.
- We help you find a licensed child care provider that fits the needs of your child and your family.
- We connect you with other services in your community.

Please note: Child Protective Services (CPS) will not take your child away because you are homeless. Homelessness is not child abuse or neglect.

What do I need to do?

Call the CCA of WA Family Center toll free at (800) 446-1114 or email us at familycenter@childcare.org

Or call DCYF directly to apply at (844) 626-8687 or online at: www.washingtonconnection.org

Our services for homeless families are provided by the Child Care Aware of Washington Family Center, operated by Child Care Resources, and generously supported by the Washington State Department of Children, Youth, and Families.



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