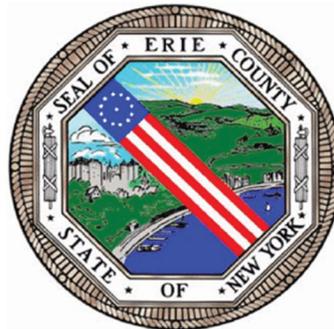


The Erie County Department of Social Services provides daycare subsidies for eligible families, promotes quality day care in our community and offers technical assistance to providers in meeting New York State regulations.

Child Care Market Rates

Erie County market rates are the maximum that ECDSS will pay for your child if you qualify for subsidy.

The market rate for child care is based on the county where child care is provided, the type of setting, and the age of the child.



Erie County Department of Social Services
95 Franklin
Buffalo NY, 14202

Mark Poloncarz
Erie County Executive

Carol Dankert
Social Services Commissioner

ECDSS Day Care Assistance



Making Child Care Affordable

What kind of help is available?

Child day care assistance is authorized for eligible individuals through a variety of programs outlined below. Each program determines method of payment, required paperwork and who to contact with questions and problems.

Erie County Day Care Unit

290 Main Street – 3rd Floor Buffalo, NY 14202
[716] 858-TYKE [858-8953]

- ◆ **Non-Temporary Assistance Day Care:** is available to employed families who earn 175% or less of the State Gross Income Standard. Parents contribute toward the cost of care based on a sliding income scale. This assistance is also provided to teen parents attending high school.
- ◆ **Transitional Day Care:** is available when a Temporary [Public] Assistance case is closed and there is a need for day care services due to employment. Transitional day care is guaranteed for 12 months if working families earn 200% or less of the State Income Standard. Parents contribute to the cost of care based on a sliding income scale.

Temporary Assistance

[716]858-1399

- ◆ **Temporary Assistance Day Care:** is guaranteed for TANF or Safety Net households involved in approved training programs or work site assignments and paid employment. This program enables parents to work or participate in approved training programs while receiving child day care services.

Children's Services

478 Main Street
[716]858-8349

- ◆ **Preventive/Protective Services Day Care:** is available for children services cases when day care is mandated as part of the individual service plan.

Important Contact Information

Child Care Resource Network

Offers a variety of workshops, seminars and work group discussions to enhance the quality of service and assists with questions regarding available providers

<http://www.wnychildren.org/>
1000 Hertel Avenue
Buffalo, NY 14216
[716] 877-6666

NYS Office of Children and Family Services

Child Care Licensing and Information

Provides a range of resources to help parents with their child care needs, people who want to start or are currently running child care programs, and anyone with a concern about the health or safety of a child in a day care program.

<http://www.ocfs.state.ny.us/main/>
295 Main Street
Buffalo, NY 14202
[716] 847-3828

Erie County Accounting/Voucher Audit

Processes vouchers and payments for child care assistance.

[716] 858-7694

Erie County Department of Contract Compliance

Monitors contracts with licensed/registered and insured providers.

[716] 858-7203

United Way of Buffalo and Erie County Success by Six

Works with child care providers to help them deliver the best possible early learning experience to the children in their care. Training, guidance and technical support is provided to help providers implement positive changes towards high quality care and build professional networks.

742 Delaware Avenue
Buffalo, NY 14209
[716] 887-2626

CCTA (Child Care Time and Attendance)

The computer system to determine eligibility for child care subsidy, record time and attendance through the internet and compute payments to providers.

<http://info.ccta-newyork.com/>

Erie County Child Care Subsidy

Child care subsidies are available for working families that meet income eligibility guidelines



Gross Income Eligibility Standards for
Non-Temporary Assistance Day Care
[as of 6/1/2011]

Family Size	Annual	Monthly
1	\$19,057.50	\$1,588
2	\$25,742.50	\$2,145
3	\$32,427.50	\$2,702
4	\$39,112.50	\$3,259
5	\$45,797.50	\$3,816
6	\$52,482.50	\$4,374
7	\$59,167.50	\$4,931
8	\$65,852.50	\$5,488
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To determine if you are eligible for child care subsidy, contact the Erie County Department of Social Services (ECDSS) at 716-858-8953