

DuPage County Human Services, Job Search Child Care Assistance Program

Do you need help paying for child care while you look for a job?

If.....
you live in DuPage County,
and you are currently unemployed and actively seeking a new job,
and you are either receiving unemployment benefits
or participating in job search activities through WorkNet DuPage,
and you meet the family's gross annual income guidelines below,

Family size	Max annual income	Family size	Max annual income
2	\$28,008	4	\$42,408
3	\$35,208	5	\$49,608

...Then you may be eligible to receive assistance through **DuPage County Human Services Job Search Child Care Assistance Program**. This program was designed to help low-income families who live in DuPage County pay for their child care while they look for a job. Families can apply by completing an application available through the YWCA CCR&R, through WorkNet DuPage, or through a variety of other social service agencies and child care programs. If eligible, families will be approved for a maximum of 3 full-time days of child care per week based on the current IDHS Child Care Payment Rates. Child care payments will be approved for a maximum of 8 weeks.

To find out if you are eligible or to request an application please contact:

**YWCA Child Care Resource and Referral
Job Search Program
739 Roosevelt Road, #8-215
Glen Ellyn, IL 60137
Phone: (630) 790-3030 x 482 Fax:(630) 790-0722**

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What is the Job Search Program?

The Job Search Program is funded by DuPage County Human Services to help low-income families who live in DuPage County pay for their child care while they look for a job. The family's gross annual income must be below:

<u>Family size</u>	<u>Max annual income</u>	<u>Family size</u>	<u>Max annual income</u>
2	\$28,008	4	\$42,408
3	\$35,208	5	\$49,608

Who qualifies for the Job Search Program?

Families who have been receiving child care assistance payments through the IDHS Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP) and have lost their job.

Through the current CCAP policies, families are given a 30 day grace period from the date they lose their job for job search time. The new program will continue helping families pay for their child care for an additional 8 weeks to help them secure a new job.

If you meet these requirements, fill out the short 1 page application and return it along with any required documentation to the YWCA Child Care Resource & Referral (CCR&R).

Families who are not currently on the IDHS CCAP and who need child care assistance to help them find a job.

Families who need assistance paying for child care while participating in job search activities including attending job search services and going on interviews may be eligible for assistance. In order to qualify, the individual must be actively seeking employment and either be collecting unemployment benefits or participating in job search activities through WorkNet DuPage. **To enroll in WorkNet DuPage, call them at (630) 955-2030.**

If you meet these requirements, fill out the longer application and return it to the YWCA Child Care Resource & Referral along with any required documentation.

How does the program work?

Eligibility Process

Families can apply by completing an application available through the YWCA CCR&R, through WorkNet DuPage, or through a variety of other social service agencies and child care programs.

The parent must complete the application with their child care provider and include a statement detailing their job search plan. The provider must complete a W9 form to verify their tax identification number.

The YWCA CCR&R will review the application and determine if the family is eligible for assistance. A notice of eligibility will be mailed to the parent and child care provider within 30 days of receiving the complete application. If approved, the approval notice will detail the number of days the family is eligible and the dates that the family is eligible for assistance.

School age children are not eligible for assistance during the school year.

Eligible families will be approved for a maximum of 3 full-time days of child care per week based on the current IDHS Child Care Payment Rates. Child care payments will be approved for a maximum of 8 weeks.

Every 4 weeks, the YWCA CCR&R will send a billing forms to the child care provider and the provider must indicate how many days the child(ren) attended for each of the 4 weeks listed. If the child(ren) attended at least one day in the week, the provider will be paid for the full week's payment. If the child did not attend any days in a given week, no payments will be made for that week.

In addition to the amount paid by DuPage County, which will be paid directly to the child care provider, **all parents participating in the program are responsible for paying \$5 a week directly to their child care provider.**

Child Care Provider Eligibility

To be eligible to receive payments, all child care providers must be licensed through the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services (IDCFS). **For help finding a child care provider, call the YWCA at (630) 790-8137.**

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