

Need Help Paying for Child Care?

Employment Related Day Care Fund (ERDC)

Federal and State child care funds are available to low-income, working families from Department of Human Services (DHS) Self-Sufficiency Program.

- ◆ Lincoln County, please contact 541-265-2248
- ◆ Clatsop County, please contact 503-325-2021.
- ◆ Tillamook County, please contact 503-842-4453.

Child Dependent Care Tax Credits

You may be able to deduct part of your child care expenses from federal & state taxes. File federal and state tax returns to receive these benefits. For more information contact the Internal Revenue Service at www.irs.gov and 503-326-5441 or contact the Oregon Department of Revenue at www.dor.state.or.us and 1-800-356-4222.

Earned Income Tax Credits

Low-income working families may be eligible for these benefits, even if taxes are not owed. File federal and State income tax returns to apply. For more information contact the Internal Revenue Service at www.irs.gov and 503-326-5441 or contact the Oregon Department of Revenue at www.dor.state.or.us and 1-800-356-4222.

Employer-Supported Benefits

Federal and state tax incentives are available to employers who offer child care subsidies, on-site child care or dependent care assistance plans (pre-tax dollars set aside for child care).

Co-Operative Preschools

Some preschools offer lower cost to parents who participate in program activities.

Sliding Fee Schedules/Scholarships

Depending on income, families may be eligible for lower fees based on sliding fee scales or multiple children. Families may also be eligible to apply for scholarships.

Special Needs Care

Families may be eligible for help with care through ERDC (see above numbers) or the Inclusive Child Care Program. For more information please contact 1-866-837-0250.

Head Start or Other Government funded programs

Families may be eligible for free or reduced cost programs that receive federal or state funds. For Lincoln County Head Start please contact 541-336-5113. For Clatsop County Head Start please contact 503-440-7008. For Tillamook County Head Start please contact 503-842-5180.