

Federal Policy Update: June 2023

KY: Interim Joint Committee Children and Families



Federal Policy Initiatives

Programs in Federal Budget

- Child Care and Development Block Grant (CCDBG)
- Head Start
- Preschool Development Grants
- Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) infants, toddlers, and preschoolers' programs

Total investment in Fiscal Year 2023: \$21B

No new federal childcare program(s) are expected in 118th Congress.



Tax Incentives

- Child and Dependent Care Tax Credit
- Employer-Sponsored Child and Dependent Care Assistance
- Employer-Provided
 Child Care Credit
- Child Tax Credit*

*Not specific to childcare, allowable use of funds

Federal Stimulus

Relief Package	Program Funded	Amount	Deadline for States to liquidate funds
Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act	Child Care and Development Block Grant (CCDBG)	\$3.5 billion	September 30, 2023
Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSA)	Child Care and Development Block Grant (CCDBG)	\$10 billion	September 30, 2023
American Rescue Plan Act	Child Care Stabilization Grants	\$24 billion	September 30, 2023
FUNDING CLIFF		\$37.5 billion	
American Rescue Plan Act	Child Care and Development Block Grant (CCDBG)	\$15 billion	September 30, 2024

KY: Funds

Expiring 9/30/23

•CARES, CRRSA, ARP*: \$733,768,438

*Supplemental CCDBG funds are available through 9/30/24



Source: U.S. Senate HELP Committee, 2023, U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services

CHIPS Act Overview

Purpose:

- To strengthen U.S. economic and national security, including economic resilience and competitiveness
- Long-term growth and sustainability of domestic semiconductor industry
- Construction, expansion, and modernization of semiconductor facilities

Agency: Natl. Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), U.S. Department of Commerce



Goals for semiconductor industry:

- quality jobs
- skilled and robust workforce
- diverse supplier base of large and small firms
- high-volume semiconductor manufacturing

CHIPS Act Childcare Requirements

- 1. Applicants requesting CHIPS Direct Funding over \$150 million must include plans to provide facility and construction workers with access to affordable, accessible, reliable, and high-quality child care
- 2. Applicants requesting less than \$150 million must show their plans "to the greatest extent feasible"

Plans include on-or near-site child care, pre-arranged agreements with existing child care providers, child care subsidies, or other "similar measures"



Plans should be developed in consultation with:

- State, local government officials
- Childcare administrators
- Other stakeholders

Executive Order

High-Quality Care and Caregivers

Promote federal agencies to:

- Identify, consider, review and determine ways to improve access to childcare
- Make all efforts to improve jobs and support for caregivers
- Increase access to affordable care and provide more care options for families

- Partisan
- Too many unanswered questions



Discussion



