



Childcare Solutions

THE PROBLEM: WORKING PARENTS CAN'T AFFORD CHILDCARE



The cost of childcare is **directly correlated to how many children staff members are allowed to watch.**



Staff ratio requirements **drastically reduce the availability and supply of childcare services** to working families in times of crisis, like COVID-19.



Children are being left home alone because parents can't afford childcare.

THE SOLUTION: MAKE CHILDCARE MORE AFFORDABLE AND ACCESSIBLE

State childcare authorities and policymakers should:



change the number of staff members required per child at daycare.

AND



allow university students with child development-related majors to work in childcare centers and count towards staff to child ratios.

The same state safety measures, including background checks, will still apply. **Policymakers can alleviate the worker shortage and make childcare more affordable while still keeping children safe.**



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IT HELPS: FAMILIES EVERYWHERE

- ✓ Make childcare more affordable for single parents
- ✓ Employers open on-site childcare
- ✓ Expand access to childcare in rural areas
- ✓ Increase childcare access for people trying to leave poverty
- ✓ Protect kids from unsafe living arrangements

IT WORKS: LOWER COSTS, MORE SUPPLY



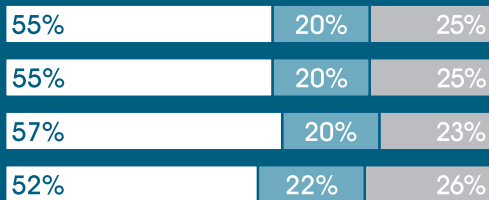
Prices would **fall**
9-20 percent for infants
and 2-5 percent for
4-year-olds



Families with children in
 full-time care could **save**
over \$500 per year.

IT'S POPULAR

Voters support changing the number of staff members required per child at daycares in order to make childcare more affordable.



Voters support allowing university students to work in childcare centers and count them towards staff to child ratios.



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