



Sustain funding for the child care subsidy program at current level

As any working parent knows, maintaining steady employment or gaining additional training and education is unlikely to occur without good, reliable child care. But the availability and quality of care is most critical for low-income families who lack the financial resources to access safe, reliable care for their children. For low-income, single mothers child care is a critical component of economic security. The “average” child care is simply unaffordable for most low-income mothers.

In a time when we are talking about the importance of creating jobs we must also recognize that many people need child care to get or keep a job. Mothers with reliable child care for their young children are significantly more likely to stay on the job-- saving company time and money—than are those without regular care.

For workers, employers, and most of all for children, sustaining funding for subsidies for child care for low-income families is critical.