

**For more information contact:**

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## **Ask about other help that may be available**

- Bus vouchers to and from child care
- Links to social services such as:
  - Clothing banks
  - Counseling
  - Emergency housing
  - ESL programs
  - Health care
  - Job training
  - Legal services
  - Nutrition programs
  - Rental and energy assistance
  - Treatment facilities

## **Are you homeless? Do you need child care?**

**You may qualify  
for short-term free  
child care.**



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## Who qualifies?

**Your family may qualify for short-term free child care if you:**

- Do not have a home
- Live in a shelter, car or park
- Live in transitional housing
- Live temporarily with family or friends
- Are not able to access other child care subsidy programs

## When can this child care be used?

**This child care may be used while you are looking for work or doing activities to help you prepare for employment, such as:**

- Looking for permanent housing
- Attending appointments for:
  - Medical/mental health care
  - Substance abuse
  - Violence avoidance
  - Legal appointments
  - Social services
- Attending short-term classes such as:
  - Job training
  - English as a second language (ESL)
  - General Educational Development (GED)



## Who provides the child care?

- We can help you find a child care provider in your area.
- You can talk with several child care providers before child care arrangements are made.
- You choose the provider who is best for you and your child.

**Child care is provided in licensed or certified:**

- Child care centers, or
- Family home child cares

## What can child care offer?

- Trained, caring staff
- Individualized care and attention
- A warm, clean, safe environment
- Healthy, nutritious meals
- Fun, supervised play activities including books, art and music

**Please note:**

Child Protective Services (CPS) will not take your child away because you are homeless. Homelessness is not child abuse or neglect.

