



Child Care Start-Up Grants

Family License | Caring for 7 or fewer children

Individuals starting a family licensed child care business can apply for a Child Care Start-Up Grant. Grant funding can be used to purchase health and safety materials required to meet licensing standards. **Download an application:** www.ndchildcare.org/start/grants/family.html

Eligibility Guidelines

To be eligible for a Start-Up Grant, applicants must initiate the licensing process by contacting the [child care licenser*](#) at their county social service office.

Priority consideration will be given to grant applicants who

- Provide care in counties with documented low child care supply
- Include care for infants (0-17 mo.) and/or toddlers (18 to 36 mo.)
- Serve children who are/or may be eligible for Child Care Assistance

Apply Soon - funding is limited

Start-Up Grants are awarded on an on-going basis until June 30, 2017 or until all grant dollars are expended.


- Applications accepted no sooner than 90 days before anticipated licensing and no later than 90 days after licensing.

**County child care licensers inspect and regulate child care programs. You will need to contact your local county social service office to begin the licensing process. Final decisions regarding your ability to become licensed rest with county social services and the North Dakota Department of Human Services. Child Care Aware® of North Dakota serves as a consultant before, during and after the licensing process.*

Need Help Starting a Licensed Child Care Business?

Start Licensed Child Care | Family License will lead you through the steps of opening a licensed child care business. Contact Child Care Aware® if you have questions about starting a child care business or applying for a start-up grant.



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Start-Up Grant Ideas

The following list gives a few examples of items you may want to purchase if you are awarded a Start-Up Grant*.

Health and Safety Materials

- Electrical outlet covers/safety plugs
- Cabinet locks for hazardous materials storage
- Smoke detectors
- Fire extinguishers
- Baby gates (top of stairs-mounted to wall)
- Basic first-aid kits
- Pack N Play/cribs/mats/cots
- Highchairs/booster chairs
- Finger pinch protection devices on doors
- Paper towel dispenser/soap dispenser
- Covered, foot-pedal garbage cans (one for kitchen and one for diapers)
- Diaper changing pad (water resistant, non-absorbent and free of stitching)
- Child size dishes and utensils

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