

# Financial Assistance



Options for  
Low-Income  
Children and Families

## Self-Sufficiency & Job Placement Support

**TANF** **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Program** is intended to move low-income families with children who are deprived of parental support or care from public assistance to self-sufficiency. TANF supports families by providing cash assistance along with work readiness, training and job placement services. **Job Opportunities and Basic Skills (JOBS) Program** is a companion program of TANF that focuses on work-readiness, training and job placement services. For information related to application for benefits, program eligibility, or an existing case, contact your local human service zone office, OR North Dakota Department of Human Services:  
TANF / JOBS Programs  
600 E Boulevard Dept 325  
Bismarck ND 58505-0250  
701-328-2332 | 800-755-2716 (ND Only)  
ND Relay TTY: 800-366-6888 or 711 | dhseap@nd.gov

## Health Services and Disability Assistance

**CHIP** **Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP)** provides health insurance coverage for children in families that earn too much to qualify for Medicaid, yet cannot afford to purchase coverage. It is available to uninsured children age 18 and younger who live in families with qualifying incomes. Single 18-year-olds with eligible incomes may also apply.  
ND Department of Human Services  
600 E Boulevard Dept 325  
Bismarck ND 58505-0250  
1-877-KIDSNOW (877-543-7669) | ND Relay TTY: 800-366-6888 or 711  
medicaidcc@nd.gov  
WEB: <https://www.nd.gov/dhs/services/medicalserv/chip/>



Health

**Special Health Services Financial Coverage Program** helps families pay for medical services to diagnose and treat children with eligible medical conditions from birth to age 21.  
Division of Special Health Services  
North Dakota Department of Health  
600 E. Boulevard Ave., Dept. 301  
Bismarck, N.D. 58505-0200  
800-755-2714  
dohcshsadm@nd.gov  
<https://www.health.nd.gov/youth/special-health-services/SHS-Financial-Coverage-Program>



**Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA)** governs how states and public agencies provide early intervention, special education and related services to more than 6.5 million eligible infants, toddlers, children and youth with disabilities.  
NDDPI Office of Special Education  
600 E. Boulevard Ave., Dept 201  
Phone: (701) 328-2277  
Fax: (701) 328-4149  
Email: dpispecial@nd.gov

## Child Care Assistance

**CCAP**  
Child Care Assistance Program

**Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP)** helps income-eligible families pay for child care while they work or attend school or training.  
Child Care Assistance Program  
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dhseap@nd.gov

## North Dakota State Support Service Providers

The North Dakota Department of Human Services administers the following public assistance programs:

- Basic Care Assistance
- Child Care Assistance
- Children's Health Insurance
- Medicaid
- SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program - formerly food stamps)
- Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)

## How to Apply for Assistance

### Online

Go to <https://www.nd.gov/dhs/eligibility/index.html> to complete and submit an application online. The completed application will be directed to the appropriate human service zone office.

### In Person

Visit <http://www.nd.gov/dhs/info/pubs/application.html> to download and print the SFN 405 - Application for Assistance and then return it to your local human service zone office.

### By Mail

Contact your local human service zone office and request that an application be mailed to you. Visit <http://www.nd.gov/dhs/locations/> to find contact information for the office in your county.

N.D. Department of Human Services Economic Assistance Division  
600 E Boulevard Avenue, Dept. 325 Bismarck ND 58505-0250  
Phone: 701.328.2316  
Fax: 701.328.3538  
ND Relay Service: 1.800.366.6888 E-mail: [dhsdfs@nd.gov](mailto:dhsdfs@nd.gov)  
[www.nd.gov/dhs](http://www.nd.gov/dhs)

This information can be made available in an alternative format. Please contact the department.

## Food and Nutrition Assistance



**Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program** helps low-income North Dakotans meet their nutritional needs.  
EAP Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program  
600 E Boulevard Dept 325  
Bismarck ND 58505-0250  
701-328-2332 | 800-755-2716 (ND Only) | ND Relay TTY: 800-366-6888  
[dhseap@nd.gov](mailto:dhseap@nd.gov)



**Women, Infants and Children Program (WIC)** is a federal nutrition program that offers healthy food for proper growth and development. Assistance is available statewide for pregnant and breastfeeding women, infants, and children younger than 5 years old.  
Division of Family Health and Wellness  
600 E Boulevard Dept 301  
Bismarck ND 58505-0200  
701-328-2496 | 800-472-2286 | FAX 701-328-1412  
<https://www.health.nd.gov/wic>



**Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP)** subsidizes food services to support the health and wellness of children and adults. Participating child care providers receive monthly reimbursement checks to help cover the cost of supplying nutritious meals and snacks to children and adults in their care.  
North Dakota Department of Public Instruction  
600 E Boulevard Dept 201  
Bismarck ND 58505  
701-328-2294 | FAX 701-328-2461  
<https://www.nd.gov/dpi/districtschools/child-nutrition-and-food-distribution/child-adult-care-food-program>

## Early Childhood Learning & Development Support



**Head Start and Early Head Start** provide free learning and development services to children ages birth to five and to pregnant women from low income families.  
Head Start State Collaboration Office  
Department of Human Services  
600 East Boulevard Avenue Bismarck, ND 58505 – 0440  
701-328-1640 | FAX: 701-328-0203  
Email: [cjkueber@nd.gov](mailto:cjkueber@nd.gov)

## Home Heating Assistance



**Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)** helps eligible low-income families partially pay the cost of natural gas, electricity, propane, fuel oil, coal, wood, or other fuel sources. The program also covers:

- Weatherization services (insulation, weather stripping doors and windows, etc.)
- Furnace cleaning, repair, and replacement
- Chimney cleaning and inspection
- Emergency assistance

Economic Assistance Policy Division Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program  
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