

CHILD CARE FEE ASSISTANCE * ARMY NATIONAL GUARD



Get Help Finding and Paying for Child Care.

The Army Fee Assistance Program has fully transitioned to Child Care Aware® of America. Army Child Care Fee Assistance was created to provide authorized Reserve and Active Duty personnel assistance in locating, selecting, and offsetting the cost of civilian child care when on-base child care is not available or a viable option for the service member and their family. The programs provide subsidies for eligible military dependents enrolled in quality commercial child care programs. A subsidy amount is authorized based on Total Family Income (TFI) for those eligible Army families, and supplies monthly payments directly to the prospective child care provider (up to a provider rate cap of \$1500 per child per month).

In order to participate in the Army Fee Assistance Program, non-school age children must be enrolled in a minimum of 16 hours of care per week. School age children must be enrolled in a minimum of 6 hours of care per week during the school year and a minimum of 16 hours of care per week during summer break. Army fee assistance does not cover the drop-in care for non-school age children or school age children on breaks (winter/spring break, snow days, holidays, etc.). Care must be consistent and must have a fixed schedule.

Parents: Some items needed to determine your eligibility. You must:

1. Be in one of the following status:
 - a. Active Duty/Deployed Active Duty
 - b. Guard/Reserve Activated
 - c. Guard/Reserve Activated Deployed
 - d. Army Civilians
 - e. Guard Technicians/Reserve Technicians
2. Select a Qualifying Program & Child Care Provider
3. Collect and Submit Necessary Supporting Documents

Please navigate the website below to review full program, details, policy guidelines, guide on how fee assistance is calculated, and full eligibility determination, including deployment support criteria.

To apply online and upload your documents, GO TO

<https://usa.childcareaware.org/fee-assistancerespite/military-families/army/>

You will receive approval within 7-10 business days of a completed application.

➤ ***While M-day Soldiers are not immediately eligible for this assistance, please be aware that should your status change (ie, deployment, technician hire) you may become eligible.***

If you have any eligibility or program questions, contact ChildCare Aware of America at 1-800-424-2246.

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