

U.S. Rep. Kind: Announces \$579M to Keep Wisconsin Child Care Providers on the Job, Lower Costs for Working Families

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Funding from American Rescue Plan Rep. Kind Helped Pass Will Help Child Care Providers Open Safely, Keep Workers on Payroll and Help Hardworking Families Cover Costs

Washington, DC - Rep. Ron Kind announced \$579,765,866 today for Wisconsin child care providers to open safely, keep workers on the payroll, and lower costs for hardworking families.

“Access to safe and affordable child care is essential to getting Wisconsin parents back to work,” said **Rep. Ron Kind**. “Ensuring child care providers receive the support they need to keep their doors open and lowering costs for hardworking families will help us get our economy firing on all cylinders again.”

The funding comes as part of two programs Rep. Kind helped create through the American Rescue Plan:

- \$357,004,444 from the child care stabilization fund to help child care providers to reopen or stay open, provide safe and healthy learning environments, keep workers on payroll, and provide mental health supports for educators and children, and
- \$222,761,422 in more flexible funding for Wisconsin to make child care more

affordable for more families, increase access to high-quality care for families receiving subsidies, increase compensation for early childhood workers, and meet other care needs in the state.

The funding will go to the state, which will allocate it to specific providers and families.