

Child Care & Family Resource List

Parents who live in Allegheny County and the City of Pittsburgh have access to a wide range of resources through local organizations. This list highlights resources related to child care, child development, family fun and community building, diapering, and financial wellness. In many cases, staff at these organizations can also connect parents to other supports.



ALLEGHENY CHILD CARE FINDER TOOL

Use this tool to find available spots at early learning, after school, summer camp, and virtual programs across the county. Search results can be tailored by location, method of transportation, child age(s), hours, Keystone STARS rating, and acceptance of CCW/child care subsidy.

HOW TO FIND, CHOOSE, AND PAY FOR HIGH-QUALITY CHILD CARE: A GUIDE FOR FAMILIES

This one-pager explains the Keystone STARS rating and provides families with what to look for in a high-quality early learning environment.

EARLY LEARNING RESOURCE CENTER (ELRC)

At the ELRC, families can apply for the child care subsidy and get help finding the right child care solution for children birth through age 12. There are 7 neighborhood-based locations across the county. Call 1-888-340-3572 or 412-350-3577

FAMILY CENTER NETWORK

These neighborhood-based hubs provide support with basic needs, quality programming, peer networking, and connections to a variety of resources for all families. There are 27 Family Centers throughout Allegheny County. Services are free and available to parents and their children regardless of income.

GUIDES FOR WORKING FAMILIES

Investments in Caring PA provides online guides for how to find quality care, paying for childcare, early childhood development resources, and applying for tax credits.

JEREMIAH'S PLACE

Located in the East End, Jeremiah's Place offers free emergency child care services for children ages 0 to 6, available 7 days a week, 24 hours a day. The meaning of an emergency varies from family to family. Families have used Jeremiah's Place for medical appointments and emergencies, funerals, domestic violence and abuse, job interviews, respite care, labor and delivery, job training, mental health emergencies, military deployment, lapses in regular child care, and unsafe child care options. Parents/guardians must register their child with a one-time intake appointment, which takes roughly 1 hour.

WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA DIAPER BANK

WPDB provides no-cost diapers, period products, and incontinence supplies to families, prioritizing those of low income. There are 52 partner organizations across Allegheny and Westmoreland counties that act as pick-up locations. Parents can get diapers up to once a month.

HELLO BABY


Hello Baby is here to support every parent with a newborn in Allegheny County. The website offers a variety of resources on health, safety, and child development, along with connections to family support services.


PUBLIC LIBRARIES

The public library system in Allegheny County offers a wealth of resources for parents and families. Below are a few highlights. Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh (CLP) has library locations across the city. Allegheny County Library Association (ACLA) brings together information about libraries throughout the county.

- [Library Locator](#): Find your library by entering your zip code in the locator tool to discover library resources and services available in your community and county. There are 46 county libraries and more than 70 locations, so there's something for everyone!
- [CLP Library Programs and Events](#): Most CLP libraries offer a range of free programs for children of all ages and their caregivers. These are fun learning opportunities for kids and also give parents a chance to connect with one another. There are programs for Teens and Adults too.
- [ACLA Virtual Learning Programs](#): Check the ACLA Youth Services website for updates about StoryWalks® and the Books & Beyond Program with KDKA-TV PTL, as well as any countywide youth services initiatives and programs. You can also find "ACLA Youth Services" on Facebook to learn about programs happening at the county libraries, as well as resources for parents and families.
- [Book Lists](#): Book suggestions organized by age range, diversity, or subject. The "Here to Help" book lists can be used to support conversations about difficult topics.
- [eResources](#): These library services can be accessed 24/7 with a Wi-Fi connection. Connect to free eBooks and audiobooks, learn a new craft, or even develop language skills. The Homework Help section provides resources for help with homework, school projects, and test prep. Students can also access tutor.com for free, where they can get real time access to a tutor.

Note:

 = Resources for families with young children

 = Resource for families with school-age children



Use this QR code to access an online version with hyperlinks for each resource on this list.