



PARENTS HAVE TO WORK

- Average child care costs for an infant and 4-year-old: **\$37,782**¹
- Income needed to comfortably afford child care: **\$539,743**¹
- Average income for households with two kids: **\$169,968**¹

(1) www.fox5ny.com/news/you-need-much-money-comfortably-afford-childcare-new-york-new-jersey

SO SHOULD CHILD CARE



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SCOTT BENDETT IS WORKING TO MAKE CHILD CARE AFFORDABLE AND ACCESSIBLE. These would:

“Between work, schedules, and figuring out who’s watching the kids, life can feel like a juggling act. Families shouldn’t have to fight this battle alone. That’s why I’m working to make child care more affordable, support local providers, and make sure your family has real options because your kids deserve care, and you deserve peace of mind all year around.”

-Scott

The Building Blocks to Affordable & Accessible Childcare



Provide Increased Tax Incentives (A.2393)

What it does: Doubles the total tax credits for businesses that provide or expand child care from \$25 million to \$50 million for Fiscal Years 2025 and 2026.

Who benefits: Businesses and employers who create or expand child care services for their employees.

Why it matters: Many families struggle to find affordable, quality child care, but this encourages more businesses to offer it.

The result: More child care options for families, making it easier for them to work without worrying about care for their kids.



Expand Access (A.2002)

What it does: Allows local governments to give property tax breaks to child care centers.

Who benefits: Licensed child care centers and the families who rely on them.

Why it matters: Lower taxes mean providers can save money, expand, and invest in better care.

The result: More child care centers, more available spots, and potentially lower costs for families.



Increase Affordability (A.2314)

What it does: Eligible families receive an extra 15% of whatever child care tax credit they already qualify for.

Who benefits: Families who already claim the Household and Dependent Care Credit for child care expenses.

Why it matters: This helps families keep more of their own money and eases that financial burden.

The result: More financial relief for working parents, making it easier to afford care and stay in the workforce.



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