

What is a Child Care Resource and Referral Agency?

A CCR&R is the go-to source for early care and education. We help to ensure that all young children have the kinds of early learning experiences that promote school and lifelong success. We provide information to parents on locating child care, how to determine what quality child care looks like, child care subsidies, and services for families. We recruit child care providers and provide start-up information and technical assistance in meeting regulatory requirements. We provide the community with education on child care issues and current data needed in planning for community services and support employers in planning, implementing and providing employee child care services.

Dutchess County Supply and Demand							
Town	Slots Available	Vacancies	Requests for care	Town	Slots Available	Vacancies	Requests for care
Amenia	143	10	1	Pine Plains	0	0	4
Annandale-on-Hudson	46	0	1	Pleasant Valley	106	15	17
Arlington	0	0	4	Poughkeepsie	2455	382	242
Beacon	585	17	31	Poughquag	64	17	14
Beekman	0	0	1	Red Hook	174	9	12
Clinton Corners	0	0	4	Rhinebeck	223	27	13
Dover Plains	48	6	2	Salt Point	24	0	3
East Fishkill	0	0	1	Staatsburg	24	3	5
Fishkill	466	70	23	Stanfordville	48	12	5
Glenham	24	0	0	Stormville	48	20	6
Holmes	101	6	2	Tivoli	0	0	8
Hopewell Junction	862	50	30	Verbank	16	7	0
Hyde Park	381	23	38	Wappingers Falls	1023	138	73
Lagrange	16	11	1	Wingdale	218	11	4
Lagrangeville	309	47	10				
Millbrook	100	18	4				
Millerton	29	15	3				
Pawling	142	16	3				

Highlighted areas, in the chart above and to the left, show where the requests for care are higher than the vacancies available.

Putnam County Supply and Demand			
Town	Slots Available	Vacancies	Requests for care
Brewster	1011	36	14
Carmel	332	49	28
Cold Spring	145	14	3
Garrison	16	2	0
Holmes	59	0	2
Lake Peekskill	0	0	2
Mahopac	935	141	18
Patterson	332	49	1
Putnam Valley	310	108	9

The Child Care Council of Dutchess and Putnam, Inc.'s free referral service offers assistance in many areas pertaining to numerous aspects of child care, including but not limited to, child care referrals, summer recreation information, nursery schools, pre-k programs and cost and subsidy information.

Parents supply information such as hours of care needed, location, school district, etc. to the Referral Specialist. Since referrals are not recommendations, the Referral Specialist encourages the parents to visit the child care programs and meet with the provider(s) before choosing a program and enrolling their child(ren).

Registration

The Child Care Council oversees the registration of Family Day Care (FDC) and School Age Child Care (SACC).

Family Day Care Homes - provide care for three to six children at a time in a residence; may add one or two school-age children. The maximum allowable number of children will depend on the number of infants in care.

School-Age Child Care Programs - provide care for more than six children from kindergarten through age twelve. Care for children is during non-school hours and may also be during school vacations and holidays.

	Dutchess	Putnam
Regulated programs as of 12/31/2022		
Family Day Care (FDC)	42	12
School Age Child Care (SACC)	33	9
Group Family Day Care	63	13
Day Care Center	65	27
Inspections Performed (FDC & SACC)	355	86
Complaints Investigated (FDC & SACC)	16	2



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The Child Care Council of Dutchess and Putnam, Inc. works to promote affordable and quality child care, provide information and support to families and strengthen the early childhood workforce in Dutchess and Putnam Counties.



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A look back at 2022

Health Care Consultant Professional Development

The Medication Administration Training (MAT) course, approved by the Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS), is a skill-based training that teaches child care providers best practice techniques for giving medication and helps providers understand OCFS regulations about giving medications. The training provides an overview of medication effects and ways to give both over-the-counter and prescription medication. It covers the handling, storage and safe disposal of medication; permission and instruction requirements; preparation and administration techniques; asthma, emergency care and special situations. The class is eight (8) hours of training and includes a video training component as well as hands-on-demonstrations. The chart below shows the number of MAT approved providers. (*NYS regulations now require Day Care Centers that care for infants and toddlers to have a Health Care Consultant of record).

	Dutchess	Putnam
Family Day Care	3	1
Group Family Day Care	8	3
Day Care Center	24	16
School Age Child Care	1	5
Day Care Center Non-MAT*	11	3

Quality Improvement

The Child Care Council of Dutchess and Putnam assesses the needs of qualifying programs and with the child care providers identifies resources to improve the program. The Child Care Council purchases the resources and provides technical assistance to ensure the quality improvement.

Number of Providers	26
Total Amount Spent	\$15,874.50

Child Care Grants

The Child Care Council of Dutchess and Putnam assisted child care programs with applying for and managing grants provided by the New York Office of Children and Family Services. The Stabilization 2.0 for Workforce Supports grant in 2022 assisted 219 child care providers in Dutchess and Putnam Counties to strengthen their infrastructure and support their workforce.

	Dutchess	Putnam
Family Day Care	33	7
Group Family Day Care	53	11
Day Care Center	56	22
School Age Child Care	29	8
Total Amount Provided	\$2,404,700.00	\$1,118,250.00

Registered/licensed child care providers are required to complete thirty (30) hours of training every two years. The thirty (30) hours of training must address the following topics: Principles of childhood development, focusing on the developmental age groups for which they provide care; nutrition and health needs of children; child day care program development; safety and security procedures; business record maintenance and management; child abuse and maltreatment identification and prevention; statutes and regulations pertaining to child day care; statutes and regulations pertaining to child abuse and maltreatment; the education and information on the identification, diagnosis, and prevention of Shaken Baby Syndrome and Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs). The Child Care Council of Dutchess & Putnam, Inc. provides training in these areas at our office or at the program location.

	Dutchess	Putnam
At Program Location	9	9
Number of Attendees	178	91
At the Child Care Council	27	0
Number of Attendees	214	0

Family Day Care Network

The Early Childhood Specialist facilitates training at the homes of family and group family day care providers or at The Council. Participating providers receive a grant or resources for each meeting attended in order to improve the quality of their programs.

	Dutchess	Putnam
Number of Meetings	5	8
Number of Members	40	13
Total Amount of Grants	\$1,632.00	\$2,803.14

Child Care Scholarships

The Child Care Council of Dutchess and Putnam provides scholarships to qualifying families to help pay for child care through a grant from the Dyson Foundation.

	Dutchess
Number of Families	37
Number of Children	48
Total Scholarships	48

Child and Adult Care Food Program

The Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) provides reimbursement for nutritious meals and snacks served to children while in child care. These meals must meet the nutritional standards set by the United States Department of Agriculture. Through CACFP, nationally more than 4.2 million children receive nutritious meals and snacks each day as part of the care they receive.

In Dutchess and Putnam Counties:

284,159 total meals and snacks served

Average number of providers per month: 50
Average number of children each month: 631

Infant/Toddler Services

The Infant/Toddler Specialist assist sproviders in maintaining quality environments, learning materials for infants and toddlers, early childhood development, and teacher and administrative standards in child care centers. The Infant/Toddler Mental Health Consultant works in partnership with providers to strengthen children's social emotional development while addressing challenging behaviors early on before intervention is needed.

	Dutchess	Putnam
Home Based Child Care	7	7
Day Care Center	19	10

Legally Exempt

A Legally Exempt provider is an unlicensed, informal child care provider who cares for up to 2 unrelated children and receives payment from the Department of Social Services. Parents must be eligible to receive subsidy services and the provider must meet certain criteria. The Child Care Council performs inspections of Legally Exempt providers .

	Dutchess	Putnam
Number of Enrolled Providers	82	3
Number of Children Served	151	4
Inspections Performed	25	0

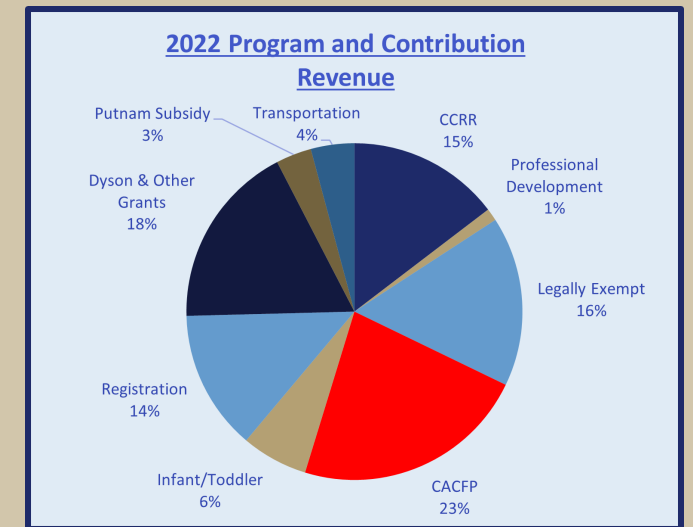
Subsidy

In both Dutchess and Putnam Counties, a parent may qualify for a low income child care subsidy to help pay for child care. In Dutchess County, the Department of Community and Family Services and in Putnam County, The Department of Social Services handles the subsidies. In Putnam, the Child Care Council determines eligibility for child care subsidies. In 2018, both counties' eligibility levels to qualify for a subsidy was at 200% of the federal poverty level. That translates to a family of three earning up to \$41,560.

	Putnam
Number of Families Served	21
Number of Children Served	56

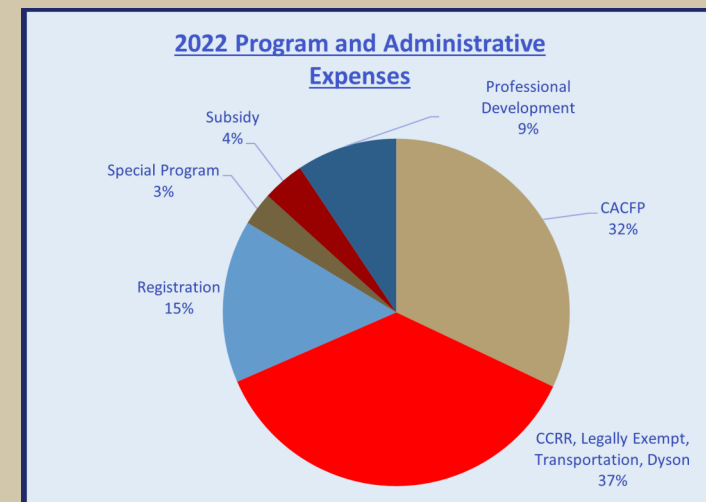
Financials

2022 Total Income: \$ 2,358,456.86



Child Care Resource & Referral	\$345,310.23
Professional Development	\$28,110.00
Legally Exempt	\$385,050.00
Child and Adult Care Food Program	\$532,830.10
Infant/Toddler	\$150,626.68
Day Care Registration	\$317,387.48
Putnam Subsidy	\$80,727.00
Transportation Contract	\$98,746.66
Dyson & Other Grants	\$419,668.71

2022 Total Expenses: \$ 1,759,257.34



Child and Adult Care Food Program	\$563,460.59
CCRR, Legally Exempt, Transportation, Dyson	\$640,973.16
Registration	\$266,739.15
Special Program	\$54,490.18
Subsidy	\$68,789.63
Professional Development	\$164,804.63

At the time of printing, 2022 audit was not yet completed.
Does not show Investment Income and Expense