

Legislation Text

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Fiscal Note

No anticipated fiscal impact, this change would result in the redistribution of existing resources. Title

To adjust the Child Care Assistance income guidelines to keep them in line with the poverty guidelines published by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and adopted by the State and to reflect inflationary increases.

Body

WHEREAS, Section 3.12 (9)(g)6 of Madison General Ordinance provides that applications for child care tuition assistance under the program administered by the Community Services Office must meet income criteria established by the Common Council; and,

WHEREAS, the Common Council established such criteria by Resolution No. 36213, adopted October 7, 1980 and updated such criteria by Resolution No. 38801, adopted February 15, 1983; by Resolution No. 40336, adopted July 10, 1984, by Resolution No. 47219, adopted October 2, 1990; by Resolution No. 49841, adopted March 16, 1993; by Resolution No. 54617, adopted September 16, 1997; by Resolution No. 56429, adopted August 3, 1999; by Resolution No. 57403, adopted March 7, 2000; by Resolution No. 58521, adopted July 17, 2001; and by Resolution No. 59563, adopted July 2, 2002; by Resolution No. 61417, adopted April 20, 2004; and by Resolution Enactment No. RES-07-00321, adopted March 21, 2007; by Resolution Enactment No. RES-08-00413, adopted April 25, 2008; by Resolution Enactment No. RES-11-00884, adopted on October 21, 2011; by Resolution Enactment No. RES-12-00177, adopted on March 20, 2012; by Resolution Enactment No. RES-13-00177, adopted on March 19, 2013; Resolution Enactment No. RES-14-00194, adopted on March 18, 2014; by Resolution Enactment No. RES-15-00276, adopted on April 1, 2015; by Resolution Enactment No. RES-16-00232, adopted on April 4, 2016; and

WHEREAS, income criteria established on April 4, 2016 needs to be adjusted to allow for inflation and keep them at previously adopted guidelines; and,

WHEREAS, the following guidelines will provide assistance for families with income starting at 185% of the Federal Poverty Level; and,

WHEREAS the Early Childhood Care and Education Committee has reviewed this resolution and recommends that it will be adopted by the Common Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this resolution supersedes Resolution Enactment No. RES-16-00232, adopted April 4, 2016.

BE FINALLY RESOLVED, that the 2017 income criteria for child care tuition assistance under the City's child care program shall provide as follows:

INCOME ELIGIBILITY CHART

| Family Size* | Yearly Gross Income | Weekly Gross Income** | |
|--------------|---------------------|-----------------------|-------|
| 2 | \$30,044 | \$578 | |
| 3 | \$37,777 | \$726 | |
| 4 | \$45,510 | | \$875 |

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| 5 | \$53,243 | \$1,024 |
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| 6 | \$60,976 | \$1,173 |
| 7 | \$68,709 | \$1,321 |
| 8 | \$76,442 | \$1,470 |
| 9 | \$84,175 | \$1,619 |
| 10 & Up | \$91,908 | \$1,767 |

In addition to meeting income guidelines, applicants for City-funded child care assistance must meet criteria established in Sec. 3.12(9) of Madison General Ordinances.

* Definition of Family:

Family means one or more adults and children, if any related by blood or law and residing in the same household. Where adults, other than spouses reside together, each considered a separate family. Emancipated minors and children living under the care of individuals are also a one-person family.

**Definition of Gross Monthly Income:

Gross monthly income is defined as money, wages or salary, net income from non-farm self employment, net income from farm self- employment, social security, dividends, interest (on savings or bonds), income from estates or trusts, net rental income or royalties, unemployment compensation, workers compensation, alimony and veteran pensions. Funds or benefits not specified here are excluded from consideration as gross monthly income.