

# Child Care Resource

Uniting with our community to make early care & education work!

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Dear

Chittenden County families, especially those with infants, are struggling with child care and need Child Care Resource more than ever. **Please consider a donation today.**

"It is a small room where the babies are, and both her teachers have left since she started... also, a few weeks ago they gave us 2 weeks' notice to find another childcare because of her separation anxiety. Crazy, right? She's fine now, she just needed more time and so the center has "allowed" her to stay. I am very put off by that. I'd love to still find a better fit for her... I don't like the feeling of wondering what else might warrant them to kick her out on the drop of a dime." ~Spring 2016 referral client

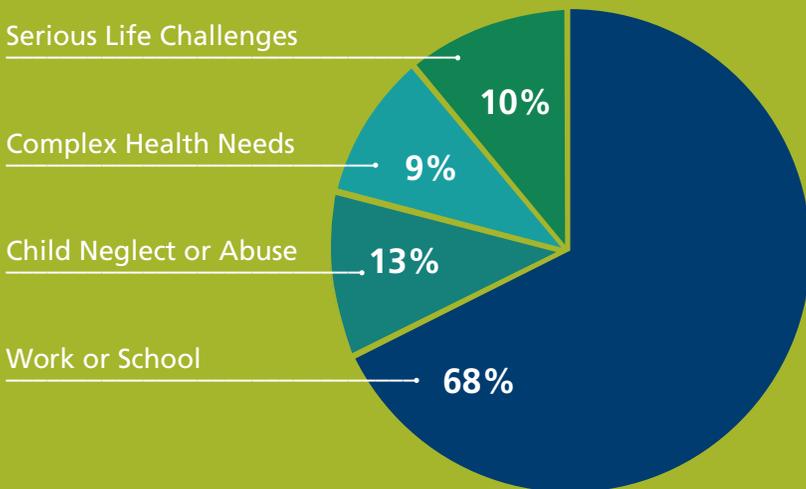
## Making child care arrangements isn't child's play.

### Last year, Child Care Resource staff:

- Completed 1,104 child care searches for families & children
- Processed 2,263 child care financial assistance applications. Families were then able to enroll their children in child care while they worked or attended school.

Roughly one-third of the families we helped with child care needs were also dealing with serious life challenges, complex health needs, and/or trauma resulting from child abuse or neglect.

## Needs of Families Helped



**Child Care Resource-** Just a phone call away for all kinds of families and their child care challenges. **Please support us with a generous donation this fall.**

In Gratitude,

Alison Maynard  
Board President, Child Care Resource



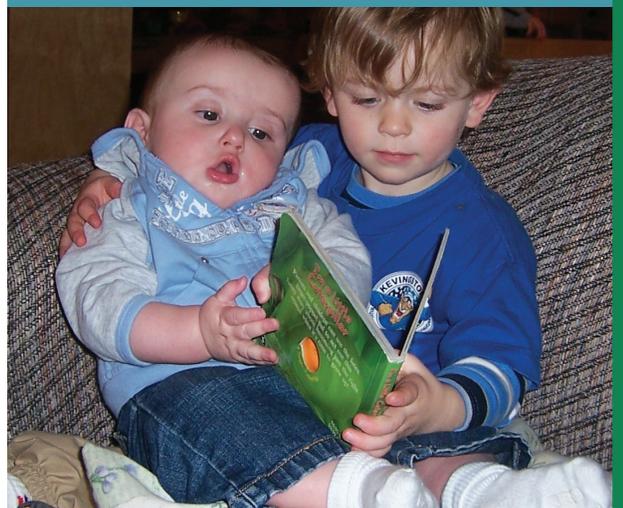
“ Thank you so much! This was so helpful and saved sooo much time.”



“Amazing experience- it took an overwhelming task and made it MUCH easier!!”



“Excellent service! Best way to find good childcare & know your options without making a million phone calls!”





# Child Care Resource Facts and Figures for FY17

## People served this past year:

**888** families searching for child care for 1,047 children.  
65% were low-income and 23% percent of families required more than one search to find the child care they needed.

**1,008** child care workers registered for 12,933 hours of in-service training.

**2,110** children were provided 447,811 nutritious meals at their child care program.



## What we did:

**We served as the one-stop shop in Chittenden County for families seeking child care and assistance paying for it.**

We also connected them with other financial benefits such as 3Squares and Fuel Assistance and other family and child services such as early intervention or mental health.

### From families who have used our service:

“ I had already spent 18 hours going through websites looking for care programs with horrible results. This service was amazingly quick and precise! ”

**94% would consider using our services again!**



**We offered group in-service training for child care workers** year round including workshops, workshop series, full-day seminars, and college level courses.

### From in-service training participants:

“ This was a great class! I learned so many interesting strategies to resolve conflict and respond to anger. ”

“ This will really help me to talk with some children I work with and acknowledge hard situations they have dealt with and are dealing with. ”

**100% said they gained knowledge that they intended to apply in their work.**

**We helped child care programs feed children** by providing access to funding from the federal Child and Adult Care Food Program.

### From staff at participating programs:

“ When you consider the fact that our children are growing so much during these first crucial years – it makes me so grateful for the food program and all the support it has given our children ”

**96% of families reported that child care meals improved children’s nutrition during their child care day.**

“ I support CCR because I want to help make families lives a bit easier. It is hard to find child care. CCR helps connect families with child care, and also helps the child care centers be the best that they can be through their various programs they offer. All this helps make a child's day in care better and helps parents/caregivers deal with being away from their children. ”

*~Kristen Aulis – CCR Board Member*



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