



Need help paying for child care?

Your child may qualify for the First Steps Scholarship Program

The First Steps Scholarship Program is here to help Burlington families pay for high-quality child care. Your child does not have to attend a program in Burlington and you may be awarded scholarship funds that will go directly toward your childcare tuition payment, along with help to secure additional state support.

Who Can Apply?

To qualify for the scholarship during the current enrollment period, your child must:

- Be a Burlington resident
- Be at least 8 weeks old at the time of enrollment and younger than 3 years of age by September 1st (and not yet age eligible for Vermont's Universal Prekindergarten funding)
- Be either currently enrolled at a First Steps approved partner program and eligible for the state's Child Care Financial Assistance Program or be willing to apply for CCFAP (we will assist) if newly entering child care
- Family household income must be at or below 80% of the Area Median Income (AMI)
See below:

Household Size	2 Person	3 Person	4 Person	5 Person	6 Person	7 Person	8 Person
Income At or Below	\$68,650	\$77,250	\$85,800	\$92,700	\$99,550	\$106,400	\$113,300



How to Apply

To apply, call or email Rebecca Reese at kids@burlingtonvt.gov or 802-865-7533

Learn More Online

burlingtonvt.gov/it/earlylearning

The First Steps Scholarship Program is a project of the The City of Burlington's Early Learning Initiative.



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