

Tax Credits

Program	Description	Contact Information
<p>Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC)</p>	<p>This program provides a federal tax credit to workers with incomes up to \$36,000 who are raising children.</p> <p>You must meet income requirements that depend on the number of children you are raising. You don't have to be the child's legal guardian or custodian, and the child doesn't have to be your dependent as defined by the IRS. The child must have a certain relationship to you or be a foster child. The child must have lived with you for more than 1/2 of the year and be under age 19, a full-time student under age 24, or totally disabled.</p>	<p>Visit www.irs.gov and type "EITC" into the search window, or</p> <p>Call 1-800-829-1040.</p> <p>Visit the AARP TaxAide site.</p>
<p>Child and Dependent Care Credit</p>	<p>This credit helps families who pay for child care so that they can work or look for work. The dollar amount of the credit depends on the number of children you are raising, your family income, and the amount of money you pay for child care. You don't have to be the child's legal guardian or custodian. However, usually the child must be your dependent, as defined by the IRS. (There are some exceptions.)</p>	<p>Visit www.irs.gov and type "Child and Dependent Care Credit" into the search window, or</p> <p>Call 1-800-829-1040.</p>
<p>Child Tax Credit</p>	<p>This program offers a Child Tax Credit of up to \$1,000 per child. The maximum income allowable to receive this credit is fairly high, so many families</p>	<p>Visit www.irs.gov and type "Child Tax Credit" into the search window, or</p> <p>Call 1-800-829-1040.</p>

	<p>are eligible. The qualifying child must be younger than 17.</p> <p>You don't have to be the child's legal guardian or custodian. However, the child must be your dependent, as defined by the IRS.</p>	
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