The General Services Administration (GSA) Child Care Program has helped federal agencies provide access to workplace child care facilities for over 25 years. The centers offer safe, high-quality care supporting working parents.

Title 40 of the United States Code, section 590 gives federal agencies the authority to establish child care centers for their employees. The centers are designed to serve federal families on a priority basis and community participation is welcome. The code also allows federal agencies to support the affordability of child care for lower income federal employees.

**Supporting Working Families**

User survey found 93% of parents were highly satisfied with the programs in a GSA Child Care Center, with security continuing to score the highest.

Parents rated the GSA Child Care Center as highly effective on their:

- **86%** Ability to Focus on Work
- **87%** Ability to Work Necessary Hours

**Quality Indicators**

- NAEYC Accreditation: 95%
- Teacher Turnover: 21%
- Average Teacher Salary: $29,000
- Receive Health Benefits: 93%
- Teacher Qualifications: 32% BA, 37% CDA or AA
- Director Average Tenure: 7 yrs
- Emergency Plans: 100%
- Background Checks: 100%

**Fast Facts**

- 104 child care centers
- 31 states, DC and Puerto Rico
- 7950 children cared for daily
- 5123 federal children (64%)
program highlights

healthy, sustainable child care centers

healthy practices: 100% of our centers participate in the First Lady's Let's Move! Child Care Program. 97% have successfully completed the challenge!

reducing toxins: 98% of our centers are Eco-Healthy Child Care endorsed

sustainable design: 6 projects achieved LEED certifications: 1 LEED platinum (DOI), 2 LEED gold (White Oak & Brooklyn), 3 LEED Silver

building stronger communities

GSA Child Care helps build stronger communities. One way is through our partnership with the First Lady Michelle Obama's Let's Move! Child Care initiative to promote healthy lifestyles for kids. The Let's Move! Child Care includes the following principles: physical activity, limits on screen time, serving healthy food and beverages, and infant feeding options for parents.

http://www.letsmove.gov
http://healthykidshealthyfuture.org

Expanding Opportunities

New in 2013

This 12,500 sq ft center designed for U.S Coast Guard opened on the grounds of the St. Elizabeth campus in Washington, D.C. and serves 120 children.

Porthole windows at both child and adult heights create an open environment and evoke a nautical theme.