

Child Care Resources

Child Care Subsidy

The [BC Child Care Subsidy](#) program is to help eligible families with the cost of child care.

[Visit website](#)

Finding Daycares & Preschools in the Comox Valley

There are several different ways to find information about child care and preschools in the Comox Valley.

To speak with someone in person or to get a list of child care providers, you can contact [PacificCARE Child Care Resource & Referral](#), located at the Comox Valley Child Development Association.

This is an especially helpful resource if you are new to the area, accessing child care for the first time and / or have questions about the child care subsidy process.

To look online for licensed child care programs,(including preschools) there is the [MCFD Child Care Programs map](#).

Note: when searching, the Comox Valley is not listed as one area. It is broken down into these different areas: Black Creek, Comox, Courtenay, Cumberland, Fanny Bay, Lazo and Denman and Hornby Island).

Looking for Child Care?

To find child care within the Comox Valley visit the [Child Care Map](#).

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The [Child Care Map](#) contains licensed child care providers that receive Child Care Operating Funding. The map gives you location of centres, and if there are vacancies within the centre.

Child care providers are responsible for updating their vacancies and other information.

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PacificCARE Child Care Resource and Referral

PacificCARE assists parents in finding child care for newborns to 12 years of age. In addition to our referral service, we provide access to information, workshops and consultant services that can help you ensure quality care for your child.

Services for parents & families

- Child care referrals
- Access and assistance with childcare subsidy forms
- Lending libraries, workshops and training
- Computer and phone access
- Support in pursuing a career in childcare
- Drop-in playgroups
- Workshops

Services for childcare providers

- Consultations in person or by phone
- Referrals
- Lending library & resources
- Computer access
- Childcare subsidy information
- Workshops & training
- Networking & drop-in groups
- Newsletters & job postings
- Laminating & photocopying

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Supported Child Development Program

All families have similar hopes and dreams for their children - that they will be happy, have friends, enjoy learning and live meaningful lives. For young children with extra support needs, inclusive child care provides an optimal environment for children to achieve these goals and maximize their potential.

What is Supported Child Development?

It helps children successfully participate in the childcare setting of their parent's choice.

Who can use this program?

Children from birth to age 12 with developmental delays, exceptional health care needs and mental or physical or behavioural challenges.

Do I need a referral to use this program?

You can call the Child Development Association and ask to speak to someone about the Supported Child Development program. If you like, a doctor, public health nurse or another community professional may make a referral on your behalf by contacting the Child Development Association.

What happens at first?

A Supported Childcare Consultant will meet with you to determine the support needs of your child.

Financial Support

Low and middle income parents may apply to the Ministry of Children and Family Development for child care subsidy and the special needs supplement.

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