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CHILDREN IN VIRGINIA SET TO LOSE CHILD CARE DUE TO CHILD CARE CLIFF

Beginning September 30, 2023, states will face a steep dropoff in federal child care investment. Without Congressional action, this cliff will have dire consequences. More than three million children are projected to lose access to child care nationwide. Seventy thousand child care programs are likely to close. This will have ripple effects for parents forced out of work or to cut their work hours, for businesses who will lose valuable employees or experience the impact of their employees' child care disruptions, and state economies that will lose tax revenue and jobs in the child care sector as a result.

Congress should act quickly to protect Virginia's children, families, and communities from the higher costs, reduced earnings, and productivity loss that will come with going over the child care cliff.



"Right now, my main concern moving forward without grant money is the lack of applicants for open positions. The stabilization grant money could aid us in recruiting new staff and of course for higher wages."

—PROGRAM DIRECTOR/ADMINISTRATOR

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Without intervention, **88,265** children in Virginia are expected to lose their child care as a result of the stabilization cliff.

1,383



1,383 child care programs are projected to close - making it even harder for families to find safe, nurturing child care options.

\$280



Virginia parents will lose **\$280 million** in earnings as a result of being forced to cut work hours or leave the workforce.

As children and families feel these consequences, so will state economies. The loss of the federal funds will mean:

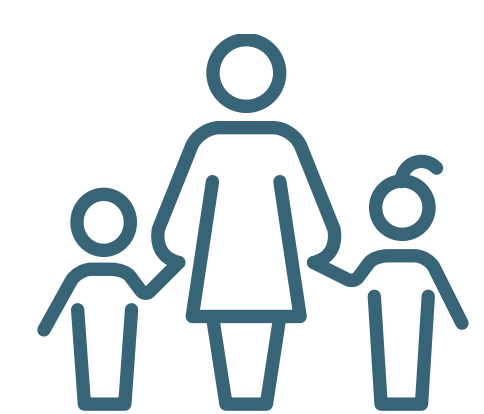
\$328 MILLION

less in employer productivity

\$13.9 MILLION

less in state income tax

2,861



CHILD CARE JOBS

Finally, the child care sector has been far behind the rest of the economy in recovering jobs post-pandemic. We hear stories around the nation about child care classrooms having to close because there are not enough early educators. An additional **2,861 child care jobs** are expected to be lost in Virginia, at a minimum.