

Issues Facing Our Community: CHILD CARE

OVERVIEW

Some type of child care arrangements are used by 600,000 families in Minnesota. In some part of the state, there are three times as many children as child care providers. The Minnesota Department of Human Services reports from 2005-2015, the number of licensed in-home providers dropped 27 percent.

SERVICES/ORGANIZATIONS

Local services that have programming or the ability to assist with child care needs.

- **Center Child Care**
- **Preschool**
- **Church Preschools**
- **Family Child Care (licensed and non)**
- **Head Start**
- **School District Programs**
- **Child Care Assistance**
- **Babysitters**
- **Nannies**
- **Family Members**
- **WCI**

POSSIBLE SOLUTIONS

- Scholarships
- ECSE
- Rainbow Rider
- School Busing

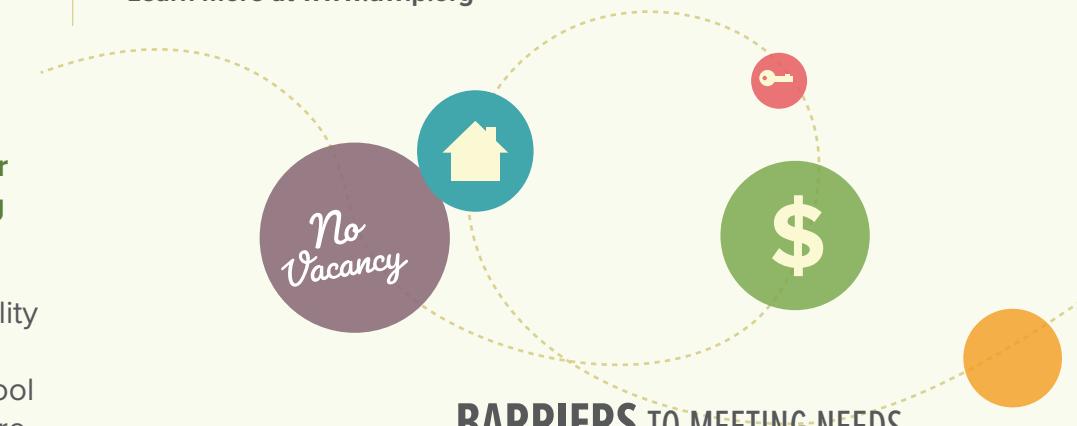
NEEDS

- Greater availability
- Safe child care
- Full day preschool
- Drop-in child care
- Transportation to care
- Perks for provider:
 - Benefits
 - Salary
 - Education
- Diverse care options:
 - Sick children
 - Special needs children
 - Behavior issues
- Consistent providers
- School readiness
- Keeping siblings together

UNITED WAY COMMUNITY IMPACT COALITION

The coalition's strategic intent is to create long lasting impact in our community in the areas of education, income, and health by serving as a resource in identifying and meeting community needs, as well as being a resource to one another. Meetings take place once a month and are open to the community.

Learn more at www.uwlp.org



BARRIERS TO MEETING NEEDS

- Service hours
- Paper work for services
- Home providers:
 - Taking holidays/vacation
 - Their own sick children
 - Education
 - Licensing
- Qualifications
- Waiting lists
- School zoning
- Program funding
- Liability
- Limit on infant spots
- Child care assistance late on payment or approval