

ARE YOU A SUFFOLK CHILD CARE PROVIDER?

ARE YOU A PARENT USING CHILD CARE OR IN NEED OF CHILD CARE?

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

Please join us and share your feedback about the current state of child care in Suffolk County!

The Child Care Commission of Suffolk County will be holding two public hearings for child care providers, the early childhood workforce, parents, employers & anyone else who wants to share their thoughts about child care. Your feedback and input will be used to develop the priorities for the Commission.

Thursday, September 27th 5:00pm – 7:30pm **Hauppauge**, Suffolk County Legislature

William J. Lindsay County Complex

William H. Rogers Building

725 Veterans Memorial Highway

Smithtown, NY 11787

Monday, October 1st 4:00pm – 6:00pm Riverhead, Suffolk County Legislature

Evans K. Griffing Building

300 Center Drive

Riverhead, New York 11901

We are interested in hearing about challenges and systemic barriers, as well as, opportunities and examples of positive solutions related to the following areas:

- ↓ Impact of the minimum wage on the child care workforce and employers.
- ♣ Child care subsidies: application process, eligibility, payments, etc.
- Meeting mandates (OCFS, Quality Stars, etc.)
- ♣ Accessibility and affordability of quality child care
- ♣ Workforce development and retention
- Building bridges with higher education to prepare the future workforce

In order to hear from as many people as possible, we will be limiting statements to 3 minutes or less. **Please RSVP** to **Denise.Rivera@suffolkcountyny.gov.**

The Suffolk County Child-Care Commission was established by the County Legislature to evaluate and make recommendations on federal, state and county policies and procedures to coordinate, connect and improve the child care system in Suffolk County.