

National Family Caregiver Support Program (NFCSP)

Support for Grandparents and Other Relatives Raising Children

Relative Caregiver Program

NFCSP provides information, support, and other resources to help grandparents and other older relatives who have taken on the responsibility of surrogate parenting due to the absence of the parents.

WHAT CAN THE PROGRAM PROVIDE?

Limited short-term respite, services and items that help provide care including:

- Child care
- Extra-curricular school activity fees and supplies

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- Tutoring or educational aids
- Summer camps
- Transportation
- Home modifications to create a safe environment
- Equipment and supplies necessary to care for the child
- Adaptive equipment or assistive technology for the caregiver such as raised toilet seat, grab bars, emergency response system, etc.
- Legal expenses related to establishing guardianship or custody
- Individualized services as approved that assist the relative in caring for the child

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

The following criteria must be met to qualify:

- Must be a grandparent or other relative of the child
- Must be age 55 or older
- Must be the primary caregiver of the child
- Child must be under 18 years of age
- Must live with the child

HOW DO I APPLY?

There are no fees or income requirements to enroll in this program. Contact your County or Tribal Aging Office or Aging & Disability Resource Center for more information. To find your local office visit <u>www.wisconsincaregiver.org</u>

