

The Impact of the Child Tax Credit

Expanding the Child Tax Credit would protect homeschool children and families shouldering the weight of today's high prices and uncontrolled inflation.

The CTC is a great asset to American families. This kind of tax break eases the financial burden of families who have decided to take up the responsibility of raising a child. This is especially true for homeschool families, who take on the additional cost and responsibility of educating their children.

Homeschooling and the CTC

On average, homeschooling families are larger.

- » As of 2019, the average number of children per homeschool family is roughly 2.8, compared to the national average of 1.94. This also often requires that one parent stay home to teach the children while also paying taxes to support their local public school. This penalizes families who choose alternatives to public education, especially as prices for everyday necessities continue to rise.

Homeschooling families take on the financial burden of education and save taxpayer dollars.

- » The CTC preserves the ability of families to homeschool who otherwise couldn't. For most families, this involves spending thousands of dollars on top of what they already pay in taxes toward public education (from which they receive no benefit). On average, public schools spend **\$12,612** per student, per year. Based on that average, a homeschool family with 3 kids is relieving the public schools of a **\$37,836** financial burden. Annually.

Improving the CTC is good for all families.

- » With inflation on the rise, family budgets have become increasingly strained. The increase in the CTC enacted in 2017, and then again in 2025, was common sense back then. It is even more so now. Congress can show its commitment to protecting working families by making the improved Child Tax Credit permanent.

Homeschoolers Value the Child Tax Credit.

- » A well-crafted CTC is pro-child, pro-parent, pro-life, and pro-homeschooling. The CTC provides relief for all families which homeschoolers appreciate more than most. It will allow families to keep more of the money that they earn rather than pushing them toward government programs. It will further empower homeschool families to make decisions that align with their values, priorities, and needs.

