

What is Family Child Care?

FCC is the regular care of children in the home of a licensed provider. Care is provided on a regular basis, usually from 3-10 hours per day. In an FCC home there are no more than 6 children present under the age of 12.

The Air Force has developed a system to use in offering this program. Persons who want to operate an FCC home must meet certain base requirements before offering child care. Operating an FCC home in government quarters is a privilege granted by the base commander to persons who have satisfactorily completed training requirements, home inspections and agency screenings. FCC is designed to ensure the health and safety of children cared for are protected and the operation of such homes does not detract from the quality of life of Air Force families.

Meals served to the children in care meet the guidelines of the USDA child and adult care food program.

Eligibility and Participation

Children ages 2 weeks through 12 years of any active-duty, retired military, DoD civilians or contractors on or supported by Shaw are eligible. Child care is provided on an equal opportunity basis in all FCC homes. Children are required to have current up-to-date immunizations.

Hours and Fees

Hours of operation and rates charged are a matter of private negotiation between the provider and the parent (s).

Provider Requirements

Eligibility: Adults 18 years and older with authorization to occupy base housing quarters; affiliation off base meeting Air Force requirements

Licensing: Certificate of authorization from the base commander for a resident of military housing to provide FCC in base quarters

Training: All training is FREE! Initial training includes CPR and First Aid

Approving Agencies: Military Public Health, Safety Office, Fire Department, FCC Coordinator, Security Forces, Family Advocacy, Medical Officer, Family Housing and a local agency background check

Referrals: Available upon request through Family Child Care, Family Support, Base Housing, Youth Programs, Security Forces, Family Advocacy, Civilian Personnel Office, Human Resources Office and the Community Center.

20th Force Support Squadron Telephone Numbers

Administration.....	895-1576
Airman & Family Readiness Center.....	895-1252
Arts and Crafts Center.....	895-2726
Auto Hobby Shop.....	895-6283
Carolina Lakes Golf Course.....	895-1399
Carolina Pines Inn.....	895-3803
Carolina Skies Club.....	666-3651
Child Development Center.....	895-2247
Civilian Personnel.....	895-1617
CMSgt Emerson E. Williams Dining Facility.....	895-9790
Falcon's Nest Campground.....	895-0449
Family Child Care.....	895-1212
Fitness Center.....	895-2789
Honor Guard.....	895-9317
Human Resources.....	895-1574
Information, Tickets and Travel (ITT).....	895-4774
Lakeside Pool (seasonal).....	895-2733
Marketing.....	895-4897
McElveen Library.....	895-4518
NAF Accounting.....	895-1642
Outdoor Recreation.....	895-0449
Quiet Cup.....	895-3714
Recreation Supply.....	895-0449
Rickenbackers.....	895-2701
Shaw Lanes.....	895-2732
Skeet & Trap Range.....	895-0331
Spratt Education Center.....	895-4716
Veterinary Services.....	895-9552
Wateree Recreation Area.....	877-928-8373

Are you looking for a rewarding career which allows you to ...

- Stay at home
- Be your own boss
- Set your own hours
- Serve as a role model to children
- Offer a much needed community service

Do you need child care for your infant, toddler, preschooler, school age or special needs child during the day, evenings, weekends or at night?

We are here to serve ...

- Your child care needs
- Your interest in child care employment
- Your concerns about current Providers

Call 895-1212 today!

Family Child Care



Family Child Care provides parents an opportunity to receive quality care. As the numbers of working parents increase, so does the need for adequate child care. At Shaw, parents have an option when selecting care for their children. They may choose the Child Development Center, Family Child Care or the School-Age program at the Youth Center.

FCC provides care for children on a full time, part time or hourly basis. FCC may be a better choice for, but is not limited to, infants, children with special needs, school age youth, children who are susceptible to illness, children who get excited by being in a group, parents working shifts, parents requiring more flexibility or parents with several children requiring care.

In addition, the Air Force offers a program called Extended Child Care. Free child care for duty related reasons beyond the typical 50 hours per week child care arrangement. The program accommodates temporary shift changes, unplanned longer duty days/weekend duties, short-term TDY's (no other parent is available), dual or single military parents deployments (until children are picked up by AF 357 designees).



**Family Child Care Office,
705 Sycamore Street
Shaw AFB, SC 29152 ~ 895-1212**



Family Child Care & AFRC Working Together!

Volunteering?

Did you know the Air Force Aid Society will provide up to 10 hours a week in FREE child care for volunteers?



Volunteer for any on-base agency, use a licensed Family Child Care Provider and begin volunteering TODAY!

PCS'ing?

...A PCS move is never easy, & children can feel stressed too. This AFAS program provides parents with the opportunity to have their children cared for while getting ready to leave or arrive at a base (packing, unpacking, out & in processing, house hunting etc..)



Air Force Aid Society Office
Family Support Center 895-1252

Live off base?



Do you live within a 10 mile radius of Shaw AFB?

The Family Child Care office is currently seeking persons interested in becoming child care providers or affiliated providers for children ages 2 weeks & up, midnight, swing shifts & special needs care

You must be the spouse of an active-duty, DoD civilian or retired military Member to qualify.

To find out how you can start your new career call the Family Child Care office today!

Please Note - You must be a licensed FCC provider to provide child care in base housing or advertise in base publications.

Return Home Care

Extended duty care available for returning members, active duty, Air National Guard & Air Force Reserve members returning from at least 30 days deployment may receive a limited amount of free child care upon their return. The care must be used within 30 days of the return from deployment.

Subsidy Program

The purpose of the subsidy program is to increase the amount of quality, affordable child care spaces in Services programs. Parents must register with the Family Child Care Coordinator at the Family Child Care Office.

Only full-time care (35-50) hours is subsidized for children 0-12 years.

Parents pay the same rate for their subsidized space as they would if their child was enrolled in the base Child Development Center.

To see if you qualify for this program, please contact the Family Child Care Coordinator to arrange an appointment at 895-1212.

Special Notice

Please notify the Family Child Care office if you become aware of any derogatory information about our licensed FCC providers or their family members which would suggest their FCC license should be reviewed or suspended.

The Family Child Care program accepts individuals with chronic health problems, including HIV-positive individuals for care and employment.