In nearly 2020 the Care Center provides
• Early child care
Since 1989, Child Care Aware of Washington has served Grays Harbor County with:
• Delivering training, technical assistance, & consultation to child care providers
• Supplying families with consumer education & referrals for child care

Child Care Aware of Washington
Child Care Aware of Washington provides thorough and independent information and support:
• For families seeking quality child care
• For child care programs seeking to improve quality and
• For effective policymaking

Since 1989, our regional member programs and statewide Family Center have enhanced the quality of child care and helped families by:

Grays Harbor County is served locally by Child Care Aware of Olympic Peninsula a program of Child Care Action Council PO Box 446 http://www.ccacwa.org/

800.845.0956

In Grays Harbor County, the number of child care providers has dropped from 48 with capacity for 1,223 children in 2017, to 38 providers with capacity for 1,031 children in December of 2021.*

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Early Achievers
Early Achievers is Washington’s Quality Rating and Improvement System (QRIS), which gives training, technical assistance, coaching, awards, scholarships, and other benefits to child care providers to improve the quality of their care.

Statewide, 3,926 child care providers participate in Early Achievers.
Approximately 83% of licensed child care providers in Grays Harbor County are enrolled in Early Achievers. Early Achievers provides families with valuable child care program quality information so they can make informed child care choices.

Early Achievers (QRIS) Participation
- Total 45
- Child Care Centers 16
- Family Child Care 18
- Head Start & State Preschool Sites 11

Enrollment as of 12/1/2021
Demographics

Population
- Total Population in 2020: 74,720
- Change since 2015: 1,610
- Children under 5 yrs: 3,796
- Children under 15 yrs: 13,446
- K-12 Enrollment: 10,434

Economics
- % of children under 18 living in poverty: 19.5%
- % of children under 6 w/ all parents working: 56.3 to 62.5%
- Median Household Income: $54,936
- Unemployment Rate: 7.1%

Helping Families Find Child Care in 2021

In 2021, Child Care Aware of Washington programs helped 12,580 families find child care providers matching their unique needs.

In Grays Harbor County alone, we helped 71 families with 89 children in need of child care to search for matching providers 91 times.

Children Using Subsidies

Referral Demand by Child Age

Monthly Cost of Child Care in 2021

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For more information, go to https://www.childcareawarewa.org