



WNY WOMEN'S FOUNDATION

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"True Cost of Child Care Report" - Phase 2 Update

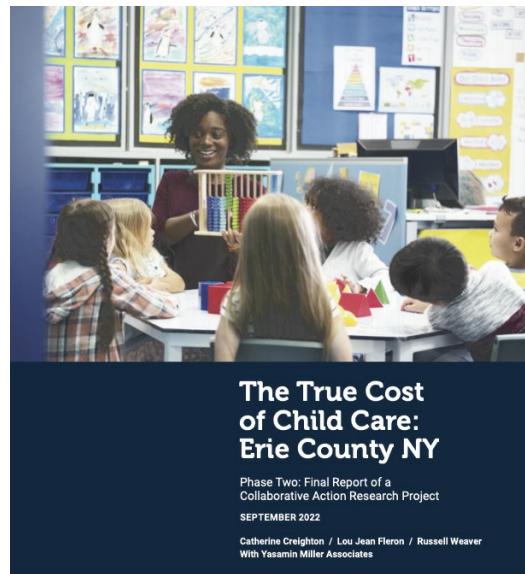
On Sept. 15, our partners at Erie County and Cornell University released the second phase of "[The True Cost of Child Care Study](#)." This is an undertaking the WNY Women's Foundation helped facilitate as a member of Erie County's Emergency Child Care Task Force.

The Phase One report already helped us advocate for and secure an increase in the number families who can qualify for county child care subsidies. Effective as of Aug. 1, families not exceeding 300% of the state income standard (SIS) can qualify. The previous limit was 200%. Phase One also supported our advocacy to raise the amount paid to child care professionals and women-owned small businesses who accept child care subsidies. This was a giant step toward compensation that reflects the true cost of providing quality care.

Statistics included in the Phase Two report shed more light on our unsustainable child care system:

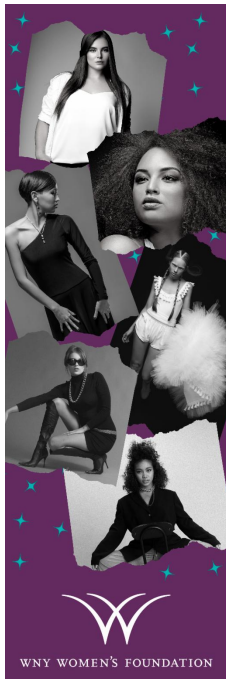
- Current employment in child care is 80% of what it was in 2018, down to 3,266 jobs from 3,897
- 80% of all child care professionals earn below the living wage, compared to 45% of all other workers
- 88% of child care workers are women and 29% people of color

[The report](#) also summarized promising steps forward and the positive impact of raising the income limit for child care subsidies.



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Don't miss out on this popular event, which will feature a diverse, high-fashion runway show, luxurious auction items, and exquisite cuisine at one of the area's newest venues.

Stay tuned for ticket and sponsorship opportunities.

Meet Angela Blask

We're thrilled to introduce [Angela Blask](#), who will play a critical role in telling our stories as our Communication and Development Coordinator.

A graduate of Trocaire College, Angela has several years of experience in the nonprofit sector including social media management, comprehensive communication, and event promotion. She joined the WNY Women's Foundation from her most recent role as Development and Communications Specialist at Kids Escaping Drugs.

Angela and her husband, Kyle reside in Alden where she enjoys reading, spending time with her family, and outdoor activities.



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