

# GOOD START GRANTS

## ~ 2023 ~

Good Start Grants (GSG), a program of Childcaring, Inc., provides financial assistance for eligible families in Marathon, Portage, and Wood Counties to ensure they have access to quality, affordable child care.

**132**

Families  
Served

**188**

Children  
Served

**42**

Providers  
Received  
GSG



“Being a single parent and raising my boys on my own has been very difficult; emotionally, physically and financially. GSG has relieved some of the stress financially by helping my family with child care costs, that continue to rise. This program has allowed me as a parent to still work fulltime and provide for my children as well as it has given my children the opportunity extend their social and educational experiences outside of regular school, this is huge.”



[www.childcaring.org](http://www.childcaring.org)  
1.800.628.8534

**99%**

of families were able to pay other bills and their parent portion of child care

**93%**

of families were able to maintain employment or attend school

**99%**

of families have increased knowledge & feel supported by their child care program

- ➡ "GSG reduces the cost of child care so that I can pay my portion and have enough left over to make it worth going to work."
- ➡ "They have helped connect me with resources for my children, from winter jackets to referrals for speech services, and have provided valuable input for my children's doctors regarding their development and needs."
- ➡ "With the help of GSG I don't have to choose which bills get paid late due to having to pay for childcare!"

**GSG would not be possible without the support from our local community partners:**

**THANK YOU!**

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