

Minnesota’s Child Tax Credit is a powerful tool to boost family incomes

Too many Minnesotans struggle to pay for basics, like diapers, food, school supplies, transportation, and other things needed to raise healthy, thriving children. Tax credits focused on families living paycheck to paycheck have long been used as a tool to boost family incomes.

In 2023, Minnesota policymakers passed a powerful new state Child Tax Credit (CTC) as a proven way to strengthen the economic stability of families across the state.

Minnesota families may qualify for a Child Tax Credit of up to \$1,750 for each qualifying child under the age of 18. The Child Tax Credit can reduce the amount of income taxes you pay, and you may receive a refund even if you don’t owe taxes on your income from the past year. Families that file their taxes using Individual Taxpayer Identification Numbers (ITINs) can qualify.

Families qualify for \$1,750 per eligible child if their income is up to \$36,880 for married couples or \$31,090 for other family types. Families with incomes above those amounts may qualify for a Child Tax Credit less than \$1,750 per child, as long as their incomes are below certain limits. For example, married filers with two children may qualify for some amount of Child Tax Credit until their family income exceed \$69,117.

Minnesota Child Tax Credit income limits

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Number of children	Married filing joint return	Other filers
1	\$54,534	\$48,744
2	\$69,117	\$63,327
3	\$83,700	\$77,910
4	\$98,283	\$92,493
5+	Add \$14,583 for each additional qualifying child	Add \$14,583 for each additional qualifying child

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For the first time in the 2025 tax-filing season, eligible families can choose to get part of their future CTC in advance in multiple payments. Folks will make this choice when they file their state income tax return this spring. If they qualify for the CTC, filers can choose if they want to receive a portion of their future CTC as three advance payments in August, October, and December. They will receive the remainder of the value of their CTC when filing their income taxes in 2026.

Visit MinnesotaTaxCredits.org to learn whether they are eligible for the state Child Tax Credit.

Sources:

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