



# Childcare Centers

Full-Service Energy and Water Efficiency Services for Building Owners

Childcare centers are important staples in our communities and are often underserved by energy efficiency programs. Energy efficient building upgrades provide ample savings opportunities for childcare centers, which often experience high utility costs due to intense energy use – typically a result of long operating hours to accommodate working families, and high energy uses such as commercial kitchen appliances, hot water heating requirements, and on-site laundry facilities.

Elevate Energy offers a full-service energy and water conservation program to help nonprofit childcare centers through every step of the building improvement process, making it as easy as possible for providers to upgrade aging facilities, access the economic and environmental benefits of energy efficiency, and direct valuable resources back to the children and families they serve.

## How it Works

### 1. Energy Assessment

An expert energy analyst will conduct an on-site assessment of each participating center. This will involve gathering information on how the building is used, the building structure, systems, and equipment. This typically involves an evaluation of heating, cooling, and ventilation systems, lighting, water heating equipment, plug load, and the building envelope such as the roof, walls, windows, doors, and foundation.

### 2. Assessment Report

The energy analyst will provide a customized report recommending the most cost-effective energy efficiency improvements for your facility along with any relevant health and safety recommendations. The report lists recommended upgrades prioritized by estimated cost savings and payback period.

### 3. Financing & Incentives

Elevate Energy will help childcare centers obtain available rebates, leverage grant dollars when applicable, and access below-market rate financing through IFF for eligible agencies to help cover the cost of recommended upgrades.

### 4. Construction Management and Oversight

Expert building analysts will assist you throughout the construction process, from finding qualified contractors, to reviewing bids, monitoring installation, and ensuring quality control.



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