

CHRISTY'S STORY

Christy is a freelance filmmaker, the mother of a two-year-old daughter, and the co-founder of Moms-in-Film, a non-profit that hosts monthly meetups for parent filmmakers in major cities across the country. At the group's monthly meetups in L.A., the subject of child care came up repeatedly. Moms-in-Film concentrates its efforts on creating parent-friendly practices in the film and entertainment industry. At last year's SXSW festival in Austin, Texas, Moms-in-Film introduced the Wee Wagon, a trailer-like structure on wheels staffed by child care professionals.

The Wee Wagon provided a place where parents could leave their young children while performing or attending the conference. Christy and her Moms-in-Film co-founder hope to replicate the Wee Wagon and get it onto film sets and at festivals nationwide. Christy is also exploring what else can be done to improve child care within her industry, including a possible state tax incentive for productions that have child care on set.

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CHILD CARE STATS IN CA

There are 1,775,808 children under the age of 6 in California who could be in need of child care.

Married parents of 2 children living at the poverty line in California pay 94.9% of their household income for center-based child care.

Millennial parents in California spend on average 59.5% of their income on center-based child care for one infant.

Congressional Requests: 2018

Provide a \$1 billion increase for the Child Care and Development Block Grant (CCDBG) in FY 2019. These new funds will help hundreds of thousands of low-income children gain access to high-quality care and help states better meet the needs of families.

Co-sponsor the Child Care for Working Families Act. This legislation would more than double the number of children eligible for assistance under CCDBG, and support the child care workforce.



