

PUBLIC BENEFITS

www.aarp.org/quicklink

- Medicare Savings Program
- Medicare for Children
- Medicare RX Help
- Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Plan
- Earned Income Tax Credit
- State Property Tax Relief
- Supplemental Security Income
- Employment Programs
- Transportation Assistance

Early Childhood Education

Head Start and Early Head Start are early education programs for eligible children.

Online Directory 1-866-763-6481

Or Speak to NSCISD @ 830-582-1536

LEGAL ASSISTANCE

Adoption – www.nacac.org

Dave Thomas Foundation for Adoption –
www.davethomasfoundation.org

Guardianship – www.grandfamilies.org

Free legal assistance

www.tlsc.org/legalhotline.asp

GRANDFACTS STATE FACT SHEETS FOR GRANDFAMILIES

The GrandFacts state fact sheets for grandfamilies include state-specific data and programs as well as information about public benefits, educational assistance, legal relationship options and state laws. Visit www.grandfamilies.org to find this and all GrandFacts state fact sheets.



GRANDFACTS

STATE OF TEXAS RESOURCES FOR
GRANDPARENT



HEALTH INSURANCE

Relative caregivers may apply for free or low-cost health and dental insurance for the children they are raising through the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP), which provides health coverage to eligible children through both Medicaid and separate CHIP programs..

Texas Children's Medicaid Health and Human Services 1-800-252-8263
www.yourtexasbenefits.hhsc.texas.gov/programs/health/child/childrens-medicaid

Texas CHIP Program Health and Human Services 1-877-543-7669 or 1-800-647-6558 (toll-free)
<http://www.yourtexasbenefits.hhsc.texas.gov/programs/health/child/chip>

TAX CREDITS

Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) is an income tax credit for workers who do not have high incomes. It is a refundable tax credit, which means you could get a refund check from the U.S. Internal Revenue Service (IRS) even if you don't earn enough to pay taxes.

Child Tax Credit is a tax credit for up to \$1,000 per dependent child. But, it is not refundable.

Child and Dependent Care Tax Credit may help you if you've hired someone to help care for the child so you could work or look for work. If so, you may be able to claim up to \$3,000 in expenses per child.

www.irs.gov



PROGRAMS THAT CAN HELP

Children's Connections Website:
www.childrensconnections.org

Contact: Debora Phillips Phone: 806-745-7995 Email:
adopt@childrensconnections.org

Information and referrals on grandparent adoptions, and home studies and post placement services offered for a fee.

Methodist Children's Home Website:
www.mch.org

Contact: Melissa Arroyo (San Antonio) 210-733-3904 (San Antonio)

Services include case management, access to community resources, support groups and workshops.

FREE Texas Legal Services Center
www.tlsc.org/legalhotline.asp

Phone: 1-800-622-2520 (toll-free)

