First Things First supports early childhood programs in Arizona through grants to community organizations that provide services—at no cost—for young children from birth to age 5 (before kindergarten) and their families.

The region has the same boundaries as the Salt River Reservation and covers about 85 square miles, entirely within Maricopa County, bordering the cities of Scottsdale, Tempe, Mesa and Fountain Hills.

Parenting

There's no one right way to raise a child, and you don't have to be perfect. These programs are here to help you learn effective ways to support your child's healthy development and learning.

Parenting Activities

Participate in family-friendly workshops, classes, story times and other events to have fun with your child, learn more about child development, positive parenting, health and literacy, and meet other parents.

Quality Child Care and Preschool

Summer Transition to Kindergarten

Helps children who may not have had any preschool experiences and their families to prepare for the transition to kindergarten.

Birth to Five Helpline

A free service available to all Arizona families with young children, (as well as parents-to-be), who have questions about their baby, toddler or preschooler. Ask experts about your child's feeding, sleep, behavior or any other concern. The Birth to Five Helpline is here to help.

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