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Westmoreland County's Child Care Crisis

March 2022 Survey Results

29 Programs Responded

97% indicated they have a
staffing shortage.

Low wages
and lack of benefits

have resulted in

179
open staff positions.

Our economy **can't recover**
if child care is not available to support
the workforce.

Impacts

518
children currently on **waiting lists.**

40
classrooms are **closed.**

Programs
reported **667**
additional children could be
served if fully staffed.

**PA state and federal
elected officials must act
now to #RaiseChildCare.**