

# Minnesota Credit for Qualifying Older Children: Helping families and children!



The Credit for Qualifying Older Children delivers tax relief to individuals with children. The credit can reduce the tax you owe and provide you with a refund.

## Am I eligible for the Credit for Qualifying Older Children?

Generally, you must meet these requirements to claim the Credit for Qualifying Older Children.

- You were a full-year or part-year resident of Minnesota in 2025 (with certain exceptions for military members)
- You are not a dependent of another person
- You have one or more “qualifying older children” as defined by the IRS

As a Tribal member, you may qualify for the credit and receive a refund, even if Minnesota does not tax you on your income because you live and work on your home reservation.

## How much is it?

The maximum credit is:

- \$1,000 for one qualifying older child
- \$2,270 for two qualifying older children
- \$2,710 for three qualifying older children

The credit phases out if your income is over \$31,950 for individual filers and \$37,910 for married filing jointly.

## How do I claim it?

Claim the Credit for Qualifying Older Children using Schedule M1CWFC, *Minnesota Child and Working Family Credits* when filing Form M1, *Individual Income Tax Return*.

You may also qualify for free tax return preparation! Go to **[www.revenue.state.mn.us](http://www.revenue.state.mn.us)** and enter **free tax preparation** into the Search box to find free tax preparation services near you.

