2024 U.S. Policy Laser Talk, Child Tax Credit

# Pass the Tax Relief for American Families and Workers Act

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| **Engage:** Since 1997, the Child Tax Credit (CTC) has offered millions of hardworking families the tools to provide safety and stability for their children.  **Problem:**Yet, under current law, there are [seventeen million children](https://www.taxpolicycenter.org/model-estimates/options-expand-refundability-child-tax-credit-december-2022/t22-0196-distribution) who do not receive the full CTC even though their parents have jobs. And these families [disproportionately come from rural areas](https://www.niskanencenter.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/08/Measuring-the-Child-Tax-Credits-Economic-and-Community-Impact.pdf).  **Inform:**To illustrate, a family with 4 kids earning $25,000 per year only receives a $3,375 credit, while a family making $400,000 receives $8,000. This shows how out of touch the current CTC is with families earning lower wages. Thankfully, the House overwhelmingly passed *Tax Relief for American Families and Workers Act* (HR 7024) in January. This bipartisan bill expands the CTC for 16 million children, including [[home state data](https://www.cbpp.org/research/federal-tax/about-16-million-children-in-low-income-families-would-gain-in-first-year-of)] children in our state. But negotiations have stalled in the Senate and time is running out. We need your support to help break the logjam and provide much-needed relief for families.  **Call to Action for Democratic offices:** Will you urge Sen. Schumer to schedule a vote for HR 7024?  **Call to Action for Republican offices:** Will you support the Tax Relief for American Families and Workers Act and share your support with Sen. Todd Young? |  | **Notes** |