

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
NOTICE OF PRESCHOOL OPEN DOORS APPLICATION PERIOD

PATCH is announcing we will be accepting applications for the Dept. of Human Services (DHS) **Preschool Open Doors** (POD) program starting January 2, 2018 through the closing date of March 29, 2018. Applications received during this period are for **program participation July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019**.

Families whose children's birthdays are from **August 1, 2013 through July 31, 2014** are encouraged to apply. The POD program provides preschool tuition assistance to eligible families so that their child is able to receive up to a year of preschool experience prior to their entry into kindergarten. Families may choose any DHS licensed preschool. Funding for POD is limited, and priority is given to the most needy or at-risk children.

Interested families may request an application beginning January 2, 2018 from PATCH, through our website or by calling:

<http://www.patchhawaii.org>

Oahu: 791-2130 or Neighbor Islands (toll-free): [1-800-746-5620](tel:1-800-746-5620)

Applications must be received in the PATCH Oahu Office by March 29, 2018 in order to be considered for the July 1, 2018 - June 30, 2019 POD program year.

Mail to:

PATCH - POD

[560 North Nimitz Highway, Suite 218](#)
[Honolulu, HI 96817](#)

OR

Fax [\(808\) 694-3066](tel:808-694-3066) OR **Email** at PODAdmin@patch-hi.org

For additional information about the POD program, please contact PATCH at 791-2130 or **Neighbor Islands** call Toll Free at [1-800-746-5620](tel:1-800-746-5620).

Family income eligibility limits apply (see below).

Monthly Gross Income Limits

Family Size	Gross Income Limits
1	2,755
2	3,718
3	4,680
4	5,643
5	6,605
6	7,568
7	8,530
8	9,493

Here are some tips for planning ahead:

1. Need help finding a preschool? Call [808-839-1988](tel:808-839-1988) or go to patchhawaii.org for preschools in your area.
2. Many preschools have wait lists. Call in advance to learn about the preschool's application process.

3. Talk to the preschool to see if they accept children who are in the Preschool Open Doors program.

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