



# Illinois Crisis Nurseries

**Crisis Nurseries provide 24/7/365 emergency childcare** and family support to help prevent child abuse, reduce family stress, and stabilize households during times of crisis. These programs offer free, safe, short term care for young children along with a comprehensive range of caregiver supports, referrals, and basic needs assistance.

## Core services offered by Illinois crisis nurseries

- Emergency crisis childcare, typically for children from birth to age 7.
- Crisis counseling and emotional support for caregivers.
- Parenting classes and parent support groups.
- Home visiting services.
- Case management and referral to community resources.
- Children’s groups and developmental support.
- Access to basic needs such as diapers, wipes, formula, clothing, and hygiene items.
- Linkage to long term or after care services.
- Some locations offer additional supports such as car seat education, developmental screenings, family events, or structured parenting programs.

## Illinois crisis nurseries

### Brightpoint – Bloomington Crisis Nursery

403 S. State St. | Bloomington, IL 61701  
309-827-0374

*Provides 24/7 crisis childcare for children under 7 in a safe, supportive environment. Families receive crisis counseling, case management, parenting classes, and basic needs items. Also offers children’s groups, home visiting, parent support groups, and after care referrals.*

### Brightpoint – Rockford Crisis Nursery

424 7th St. | Rockford, IL 61104  
815-962-4858

*Offers identical services to the Bloomington nursery, including 24/7 crisis care, parenting supports, home visiting, crisis counseling, caregiver groups, and free childcare supplies for families across all counties served.*

### Crisis Nursery Urbana

309 W. Hill St. | Urbana, IL 61801  
217-337 2730

*Provides 24/7 childcare, parent child interaction groups, crisis counseling, referrals, and both short term intervention and longer term prevention services. Focuses on reducing parental stress, improving parenting skills, and decreasing risk of child maltreatment.*

### Crittenton Crisis Nursery – Peoria

442 W. John H. Gwynn Jr. Ave. | Peoria, IL 61605  
309-674-4125

*Offers free short term emergency and respite care for infants and children birth to age 6. Parent education services include support groups,*

*parenting classes, home visits, developmental screenings, crisis counseling, and resource linkage.*

### Crisis Nursery of Effingham County

924 N. Merchant St. | Effingham, IL 62401  
217-342-3000

*Provides 24/7 emergency respite care for children birth through 6, caregiver crisis counseling, resource referral, and free childcare supplies. Recently added car seat education and installation services.*

### Mini O’Beirne Crisis Nursery – Springfield

1011 N. 7th St. | Springfield, IL 62702  
217-525-6800

*Provides free 24/7 emergency childcare for children aged birth to 7. Offers a basic needs pantry with diapers, wipes, formula, and other infant supplies. Family support services include parenting classes, support groups, family activity nights, home visiting, and individual crisis counseling with goal setting.*

### Maryville Crisis Nursery – Chicago

6650 W. Irving Park Rd. | Chicago, IL 60634  
773-205-3637

*Provides 24/7 crisis helpline, crisis counseling, a drop in program, targeted case management, evidence based parenting programs, Parent Cafés, crisis child care up to 72 hours, family events, and extensive donations of basic needs items such as diapers, clothing, hygiene supplies, cleaning products, and household goods.*

