

What is an Enterprise Zone?

Orange County's Enterprise Zones offer state tax refunds and credits to businesses that invest in the Enterprise Zones.

These incentives help reduce the costs of business relocation, expansion renovation, and job creation, while promoting investment in the Enterprise Zone.

Orange County has two Enterprise Zones. The *Orange County Enterprise Zone* includes portions of the Town of Eatonville, City of Orlando and unincorporated Orange County.

The *South Apopka Enterprise Zone* includes portions of the City of Apopka and the unincorporated communities of South Apopka and Zellwood.



Learn more about the Enterprise Zone

Enterprise Zone staff can answer any questions, help you determine your eligibility for incentives, and help prepare applications for Enterprise Zone incentives.

Contact us for a convenient and free consultation over the phone or at your business and see how **EZ DOES IT!**

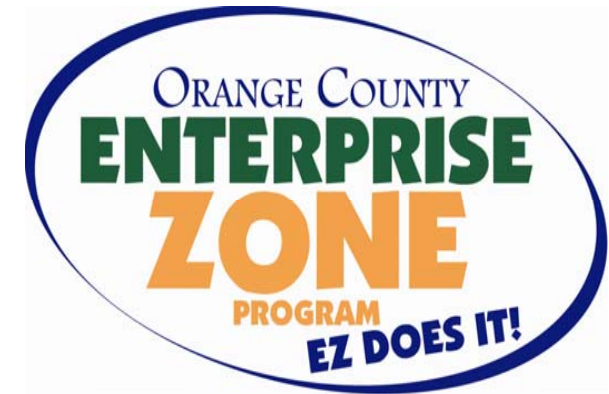
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Orange County/South Apopka Enterprise Zone Program



Providing Tax Incentives To Your Child Care Business



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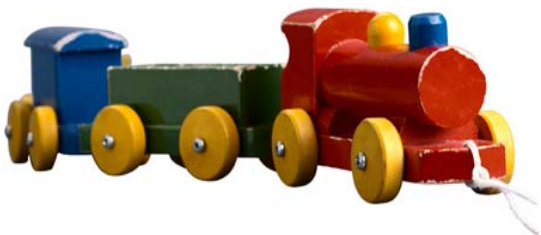
EZ Does It!

The Enterprise Zone Program makes it “EZ” for businesses to grow by offering tax incentives for relocating or expanding a business, investing in the community, or renovating property within the zone.

One of the tax incentives applies directly to child care facilities located in the Enterprise Zone. The “Child Care Facility Property Tax Exemption” benefits the property owner of the licensed commercial child care facility and is the subject of this brochure.

Other Tax Incentives include:

- Business Equipment Sales Tax Refund
- Building Material Sales Tax Refund
- Community Contribution Tax Credit
- Jobs Tax Credit
- Property Tax Credit



Do I Qualify?

Are you located in the Enterprise Zone?

Go to www.ocfl.net/ezone to view maps of the Enterprise Zone boundaries or contact the Enterprise Zone Staff for assistance.

Is the facility licensed?

To qualify for the exemption, the commercial child care facility must be licensed by the Florida Department of Children and Family Services.

Do you own the building and pay property tax?

The owner of the commercial child care facility must also own the building and be paying ad valorem taxes. *Residential buildings for which homestead exemptions are claimed are not eligible.*

Has your property been used as a commercial child care facility since January 1 of the year being claimed?

The child care facility must be owned and used as a commercial child care facility as of the 1st day of the year for which the tax exemption is claimed.



How To Apply

When can I apply for the exemption?

Form DR-418E must be submitted to the Enterprise Zone Development Agency (EZDA) on or before February 1 of the year for which the exemption is claimed. Forms are available from the EZDA or can be downloaded from the Orange County website listed in the contact information on the back of this brochure.



Sunshine Preschool saves nearly \$5500 a year in property taxes by participating in the Enterprise Zone Program.

Do I have to reapply each year and how many years can I claim the exemption?

Once your application is approved, you do not have to reapply. The exemption is automatic each year and is available to the commercial child care facility owner as long as all qualifications are met and there is no change of ownership.