# **Greater support** for Singaporeans in starting and raising families



Couples can look forward to more financial support and parental leave in starting and raising families. The Marriage & Parenthood (M&P) support measures will be enhanced to provide more assurance to families.

## **Enhanced Baby Bonus Scheme**

**Baby Bonus Cash Gift (BBCG) and Child Development Account (CDA)** 

For eligible Singaporean children born on or after 14 February 2023



• Increase BBCG by \$3,000 for all birth orders, disbursed on a six-monthly basis till the child is six-and-a-half years.



• Increase CDA First Step Grant by \$2,000 for all birth orders.



Increase CDA co-matching cap by \$1,000 for children in the first and second birth orders.

Enhanced amounts will be paid out from August 2023. With these enhancements, parents will receive up to \$24,000 in financial support for their first child, and up to \$37,000 for subsequent children.

	Baby Bonus Scheme Enhanced				
Birth order	Baby Bonus Cash Gift	Child Development Account (for approved uses, such as healthcare and preschool fees)		Medisave Grant for Newborns	Total Maximum Government Contributions
		First Step Grant (parents' savings not required)	Maximum Government co-matching	Newborns	Contributions
1st Child	<b>\$11,000</b> ( <b>↑</b> \$3,000)	<b>\$5,000</b> ( <b>\$</b> \$2,000)	<b>\$4,000</b> ( <b>↑</b> \$1,000)	\$4,000 (no change)	<b>\$24,000</b> ( <b>\$</b> \$6,000)
2 <sup>nd</sup> Child		<b>\$5,000</b> ( <b>↑</b> \$2,000)	<b>\$7,000</b> ( <b>\( \frac{1}{4}\)</b> \$1,000)		<b>\$27,000</b> ( <b>\$</b> \$6,000)
3 <sup>rd</sup> Child	<b>\$13,000</b> ( <b>↑</b> \$3,000)	<b>\$5,000</b> ( <b>↑</b> \$2,000)	\$9,000		<b>\$31,000</b> ( <b>\$</b> 5,000)
4 <sup>th</sup> Child		<b>\$5,000</b> ( <b>\$</b> \$2,000)	\$9,000		<b>\$31,000</b> ( <b>↑</b> \$5,000)
5 <sup>th</sup> & subsequent Child		<b>\$5,000</b> ( <b>\$</b> \$2,000)	\$15,000		<b>\$37,000</b> ( <b>\(\frac{1}{4}\)</b> \$5,000)

<sup>\*</sup>Figures in **red** reflect post-enhancement amounts. Increases are indicated in parentheses.

Parents of children born on or after 14 February 2023 can view the payout schedule for the enhanced CDA First Step Grant and Government co-matching contributions at go.gov.sg/bbs2023-enhanced

### **Extension of Baby Support Grant**

For eligible Singaporean children born from 1 October 2022 to 13 February 2023

Baby Support Grant (BSG) of \$3,000 will be extended.

#### **More Leave For Parents**

For eligible parents of Singaporean children born on or after 1 January 2024

**Double Government-Paid Paternity Leave** (GPPL) from two weeks to four weeks on a voluntary basis



Working fathers can take more time off to care for and bond with their infants.

**Employers who are ready** to grant these two weeks of additional GPPL will be reimbursed by the Government.

For eligible parents of Singaporean children aged under 2 years from 1 January 2024

**Increase Unpaid Infant Care Leave** (UICL) by additional six days each year



Each parent can take additional six days per year in the child's first two years. In total, each parent will have 12 days of UICL per year over two years.

## **Adjustments to Tax Reliefs**

With effect from the Year of Assessment 2025

children born or adopted on or after 1 January 2024

For eligible working mothers of qualifying Singaporean

Working Mother's Child Relief (WMCR) will be changed from a percentage of the eligible working mother's earned income to a fixed dollar tax relief.

Child Order	WMCR Amount  For Singaporean children born/adopted before 1 January 2024	WMCR Amount  For Singaporean children born/adopted on or after 1 January 2024			
1st Child	15% of mother's earned income	\$8,000			
2 <sup>nd</sup> Child	20% of mother's earned income	\$10,000			
3 <sup>rd</sup> Child and beyond	25% of mother's earned income	\$12,000			
Note: WMCR remains unchanged for eligible working					

before 1 January 2024.

For all taxpayers

**Foreign Domestic Worker Levy Tax Relief** will be lapsed.



mothers of qualifying Singaporean children born or adopted

Read more about the enhanced measures at go.gov.sg/mp2023enhanced-release.

