Au Pair in America Extension Program



2024 Extension Program Costs

For a host family selecting a Year2 au pair they did not previously host.

Program Options	Au Pair in America	Au Pair Extraordinaire	EduCare
12 month extension program fee	\$10,085	\$11,100	\$8,950
9 month extension program fee	\$7,564	\$8,325	\$6,713
6 month extension program fee	\$5,043	\$5,550	\$4,475
Match Processing Fee (non-refundable)	\$475	\$475	\$475
Minimum Weekly Stipend	\$195.75*	\$300.00*	\$146.81*

Au pairs must receive a weekly stipend from the host family that is no less than the amount listed above. The U.S. Department of State accounts for costs associated with weekly room and board and other Fair Labor Standards Act considerations when establishing the above minimum weekly stipend amounts for the Au Pair and EduCare programs. In addition, Department of State regulations specify that an au pair may not provide more than forty-five (45) hours of child care assistance per week in the Au Pair or Extraordinare Programs, or more than thirty (30) hours of child care assistance per week in the EduCare Program.

Host families in MA and CA should consult their host family portal for information pertaining to au pair wages in their states.

Host families and au pairs are free to agree to compensation higher than the legally applicable minimum. A host family may not pay less than the weekly minimum stipend. Beyond private room and full board expenses, host families should remain mindful that the au pair becomes a member of the household. As such, the au pair is likely to have recurring personal needs that may include expenses for mobile phone, internet use, personal car use/automobile insurance and/or public transportation, basic toiletries, and cultural and recreation experiences with your family, as well as special clothing needed because of climate differences from their home country, or for sports, recreation or travel. Host families and au pairs should discuss who will be responsible for these expenses in accordance with your mutual expectations, as well as the specific planned activities or excursions of the host family.

The au pair minimum weekly stipend, room and board, education allowance and other program elements are subject to change based on any revisions to Department of State regulations for the au pair program, or any other applicable laws or regulations. If this occurs, Au Pair in America will inform families. Au Pairs from over 50 countries enter the United States on a 12-month visa. Upon successful completion of the first year they have the option to extend their stay for 6, 9 or 12 months. A limited number of these Year2 au pairs elect to extend their program duration with a different family. In these instances host families pay the published match processing fee and the program fee is pro-rated pending the 6, 9 or 12 month extended stay.

Fees do not include:

• The educational allowance required of all host families: up to \$500 for the Au Pair and Extraordinaire program for the 9 or 12 month extension; up to \$250 for the 6 month extension. EduCare companions are to receive up to \$1,000 for the 9 or 12 month extension; up to \$500 for the 6 month extension.

Customer Loyalty Discount and other discounts are available to families who have participated in another AIFS program, who refer new families to Au Pair in America or who transfer from another government-designated au pair program. Contact us for details.

Extended Payment Plan

The Extended Payment plan enables families to pay the program fee in seven affordable installments. This plan is available to families on a 12 month program contract with an extension au pair. Please note: An annual plan activator fee of \$80 is due with the first installment and a \$55 service charge is applied to each subsequent payment.

Program Option	Intitial Payment (One month prior to arrival)	Six Additional Monthly Installments
Au Pair	\$3,335	\$1,125
Extraordinaire	\$3,660	\$1,240
EduCare	\$2,950	\$1,000

Note: The Installment plan is not available to host families selecting a 9 or 6-month extension.

Au Pair in America requires Extended Payment Plan Participants to give pre-authorization to charge the payment installments for the extension term through e-check or credit card.

^{*}Pricing is in effect for extensions beginning January 1, 2024 through June 30, 2024