Raising the Future: The child care crisis

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In this hour-long special, the PBS NewsHour reveals how shifting societal values, as well as decades of federal policy, have shaped the U.S. child care system into what it is today. It explores the burden costly child care places on low-and middle-income families, takes viewers to cities and states experimenting with new ways of providing childcare for working parents, and delves into the political battle brewing over the idea of federally funded, universal childcare.

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