

# **City of San Antonio**

Department of Human Services

## **Child Care Quality Initiative Grant Application**

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# Background

- Texas Workforce Commission contracts with Workforce Solutions Alamo (WSA) to implement the Child Care Services Quality Initiative (CCQ) in Bexar and 12 rural counties
- The program provides mentorship to prepare local childcare centers to become a Texas Rising Star Provider (high quality child care center designation)
- DHS provides mentoring services, while Assessments are completed through the Centralized Assessment Entity (UT Health Houston/ Childrens Learning Institute)
- Through competitive processes, WSA has awarded this grant to the Department of Human Services since FY 2016 with the current grant term set to expire
- On February 14, 2024, WSA released a solicitation for the CCQ program with a submission deadline of April 2, 2024





# Issue

- Authorizes the submission of a Child Care Services Quality Initiative grant application to WSA and acceptance of up to \$4,002,952.00 upon award
- The grant term is from October 1, 2024 - September 30, 2025 with up to four one-year extensions
- This award will support a current personnel complement of 23 positions for the Department of Human Services (DHS)
- Funding will continue Childcare Quality improvement activities including:
  - Mentoring childcare providers
  - Providing technical assistance to childcare centers and
- The ultimate goal of the program is to increase the number of Texas Rising Star certified providers in the Alamo area

# Staff Recommendation

- Approval of this ordinance:
  - Approving submission of a Child Care Quality grant and acceptance upon award of \$4,002,952 for the period of October 1, 2024 through September 30, 2025
  - Authorizes a total program budget and personnel complement of 23 positions
- Continuation of the Child Care Services Quality Initiative will ensure uninterrupted services to the community.



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