



Childcare Program Relief Funds

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BACKGROUND



- In May 2021, the Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) announced that it had authorized \$790 million to support the stability of the child care sector and assist providers in responding to impacts of the COVID-19 public health emergency.
- All regulated child care providers were eligible for the funds, to assist them in addressing the increased operating expenses they have faced as a result of the pandemic.
- Funding came from \$1.1 billion that TWC received through the federal Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act.

WHO CAN RECEIVE FUNDS?



- Relief funds are available for child care businesses that:
 - Are a licensed or registered child care center or home;
 - Were open and operating in Texas as of May 1, 2021 (or reopened and serving children as of June 18, 2021; and
 - Don't have a corrective or adverse action with Texas Health and Human Services Commission Child Care Regulation.
- TWC emailed information to all eligible child care providers explaining how to access these funds.
- Pre-K 4 SA was awarded \$1.5M in July 2021

WHO CAN RECEIVE FUNDS?



- Pre-K 4 SA was notified of a second allocation of funding and applied in April 2022.
- Based on the application, Pre-K 4 SA will be eligible for \$6,948,294 in Child Care Relief funding.
- Funding will be broken out into a total of 4 equal payments between the time the application is approved, through January/February 2023.

Center	Funding	Status
North	1,641,433	Approved
South	1,803,872	Pending TWC Review
East	1,812,950	Pending TWC Review
West	1,690,039	Pending TWC Review
Total	\$6,948,294	

RECOMMENDATION



Pre-K 4 SA staff recommends the Board approve accepting funds in an amount of \$6,948,294.00 in Child Care Relief Funding from the Texas Workforce Commission for recovery of expenditures related to the COVID-19 pandemic.



QUESTIONS?