## CHILD CARE GRANTS FOR EXISTING PROVIDERS AND NEW START - UPS

Child Care Services

Why is there a need for GRANTS - view

**HERE** to learn more about most recent local child care data indicating needs and shortages

## 1. New City of Wabasha Grant Program

\$2,500 local Grant - APPLY HERE

## 2. Retention Grant: Child Care Aware \$500-\$3,000

The program is an income-support grant for existing child care providers. It has 2 rounds of funding applications, one in the fall for in-home providers and one in the spring for center providers. The grants are just like pay bonuses for providers – providers can use the grants on whatever they want, including personal expenses like fixing the car or buying clothes for their kids or whatever. It's a program to say thank you for keeping your expertise in the child care field.

https://www.childcareawaremn.org/providers/grants-and-scholarships/reetain-bonuses/

Apply online during the application period:

- The Family Child Care Application is available October through November each year. Required documents must be uploaded to the application form or received in our office by email or by mail\* by midnight on November 30.
- The Child Care Center Application is available April through May each year.

## 3. Children's First Finance Child Care Facility Revitalization Grant Details - \$15,000 to \$20,000 grants per applicant

First Children's Finance is pleased to announce our new Child Care Facility Revitalization Grants program. Facility revitalization grants can be used by Minnesota child care centers, family child care providers, certified child care centers, and legal unlicensed providers registered with CCAP to address facility improvements and related equipment. The grant program will operate for the next two years, with applications accepted every three months between Spring 2022 and Spring 2024.

Next Round: May 31-June 6, 2022

**Grant Purpose:** Applicants may apply for a grant to complete facility improvements, minor renovations, and related equipment and services, including assistance to meet licensing requirements to establish, maintain, or expand licensed and legal unlicensed child care sites. Grant funds may not be used for construction or major renovation of facilities.

Click HERE for a list of eligible and ineligible uses for the grants. APPLY HERE

**4. Business loans** are available through the local banks, and City of Wabasha Port Authority: **Port** 

**<u>Authority Loan:</u>** Below is the <u>link</u> to the Port Authority Revolving Loan Program.