FY2021 Early Childhood Grants

Buncombe County

INSTRUCTIONS

Buncombe County requests proposals for community based projects to enhance outcomes for young children and their families in our community. Grants made through the Early Childhood Education and Development Fund will be focused on access to quality early childhood care and education.

Please refer to the Grant Guidelines published on the Early Childhood Grants website at buncombecounty.org/grants for complete information about the grant program, including: Purpose; Funding; Eligibility; Timeline; Grant writing workshop; Review process; Awards; and more.

Applications are due by 5:00 pm on February 14, 2020.

BASIC INFORMATION

BASIC INFORMATION – Before completing the application, please tell us a little about the request.

Project Name*
Character Limit: 100

Strategy*
Recognizing that some projects will use more than one strategy, select the strategy that most closely applies to this project:

Choices
Creating new classrooms to serve more children in early care and education settings
Enhancing the effectiveness of overall system of early care and education
Implementing workforce development strategies to recruit and retain qualified teachers
Providing support services for children and families enrolled in early care and education programs
Supporting capacity and/or quality for existing programs

Funding Request*
How much funding is this project requesting for FY2021?
Character Limit: 20
**Grant Guidelines**
Have you read and understand the information presented in the FY2021 Grant Guidelines for Early Childhood Grants (Grant Guidelines)?

If no, please contact County staff to request assistance: Rachael Nygaard, (828) 250-6536 or rachael.nygaard@buncombecounty.org.

**Choices**
Yes
No

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**APPLICATION**

APPLICATION QUESTIONS – Responses to these questions will be scored by the grant committee. Each question is worth 10% of the final score.

**Organization**
Give a brief history, including date of founding, focus, services, and record of success.

*Character Limit: 2000*

**Need for the Project**
What is the main issue this project is established to address? What data or qualitative factors/stories are available to show that need?

*Character Limit: 2000*

**Project**
Explain the project and how it will work. Include the overall purpose and any models or evidence-based practices that will be included. What specific activities and milestones are included in the project plan?

*Character Limit: 2000*

**People Served**
Who will be served by this project? Include demographics for children and families served, workforce, and/or any other relevant groups.

*Character Limit: 2000*

**Results**
What results do you hope to achieve with this project? Be specific about how much impact the project will have in line with the goals of the fund, and how many people will be served.

For projects requesting funding for slots, also please include:

- Total new slots created
- Total slots maintained
- # of Subsidy slots created
- # of Subsidy slots maintained
- # of teachers/staff positions created
- # of teachers/staff positions maintained

**Evaluation**
How will you know you have succeeded? Explain the project evaluation process, including specific measures that will be tracked.

**Equity**
Describe your approach to racial and socio-economic equity, both inside and outside the organization. What are some specific examples of practices that are in place or to be put in place with this project?

**Collaboration**
List any formal and/or supportive partners. Describe their roles in the project. How will they make it stronger?

**Budget**
Download a copy of the budget form [HERE](#). Complete the form, and upload it using the button below.

Explain how grant funds will be used, specifically what type of expenses will be covered by County funds. Describe other sources of revenue, including type of funding, source, restrictions and status.

**Sustainability**
How will the project continue to succeed after the funding of the grant? Explain your plan for making this an ongoing effort.

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**OPTIONAL INFORMATION**

OPTIONAL INFORMATION – This information will not impact grant scoring but will be helpful to the committee.
**Partial Funding**
If the project were to be offered a grant for partial funding, what factors would need to be considered?

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**Multi-Year Funding**
If you would like this project to be considered for multi-year funding (up to 3 years), what amounts would you request for years 2 and 3? What milestones would this funding allow you to accomplish? Explain why more years are needed to accomplish goals.

*Character Limit: 2000*

**Resource Support**
How can Buncombe County support your organization with this project and in strengthening your work (related to equity, scale, or impact)?

*Character Limit: 2000*

**Scale-up**
What is your vision for how the strategies from this project could contribute to a significant scale-up the overall system to collectively address the child care crisis?

*Character Limit: 2000*

**Other**
Is there anything else that you want the committee to know?

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