

# FY2022 Buncombe County Early Childhood Grant Report

<b>Organization Name:</b>	Buncombe Partnership for Children	
<b>Project Name:</b>	Staffed Family Child Care Network to Increase FCCH Slots	
<b>Reporting Quarter:</b> (Check one)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Quarter 1 (July 1, 2021 - September 30, 2021)
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Quarter 2 (October 1, 2021 - December 31, 2021)
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Quarter 3 (January 1, 2022 - March 31, 2022)
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Quarter 4 (April 1, 2022 - June 30, 2022)

## Narrative summary of grant related activities

Please provide brief responses that fit within the box provided

<b>Overall project updates:</b>	<p>Technical assistance and training with current FCCHs has focused this quarter on the use of the Wonderschool platform, COVID-safe practices, and other topics. Wonderschool customer services have improved, causing several FCCH providers who were struggling with the platform to re-commit and begin using the software for parent payments and some child paperwork – great progress!</p> <p>Two people are working with staff to open FCCHs – one is stalled for possibly a year due to landlord permissions and the other individual is moving towards licensure in the winter.</p> <p>Outreach continues into the community and we receive frequent questions about opening FCCHs from people in the beginning stages of planning &amp; considering opening a program.</p>
<b>Activities related to increasing equity, diversity and inclusion:</b>	<p>While FCCH licensing workshops from the DCDEE are only offered in English, we are able to provide start-up supports in Spanish and English. The ARPA funds from DCDEE, in the form of business stabilization grants for child care, will hopefully allow FCCHs to sustain program costs and increase wages during this time. Staff are working with all providers to ensure that they are able to receive the highest possible grant award. The state has weighted the grant formula to ensure that programs serving children with child care subsidy and infants/toddlers receive money to sustain these slots.</p> <p>Staff works closely with state-wide FCCH advocates and other FCCH technical assistance providers to ensure that practices used are appropriate and that services provided are meeting the needs of both existing and potential providers. All BPFC staff participate in staff racial equity discussions and are currently studying the Adaway Group's Whiteness at Work series and accompanying materials. Time is set aside at each staff meeting to reflect on our agency practices and norms as we explore ways to do our work with an equity lens.</p>
<b>Activities related to increasing operational excellence:</b>	<p>Evaluations of training and technical assistance are reviewed by program leadership and discussed with staff. Staff works closely with state-wide FCCH advocates and other FCCH technical assistance providers to ensure that practices used are appropriate and that services provided are meeting the needs of both existing and potential providers.</p>

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## Progress toward annual goals

Measure	Annual Goal	Actual Results (Enter Data)				Progress toward Annual Goal
		Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4	
Number of individuals receiving technical assistance from BPFC staff	10	8				8
Number of individuals receiving start-up grants for materials and/or required workshops	3	0				0
Number of new slots created in Family Child Care Homes	16	0				0
Number of currently licensed Family Child Care Home Providers receiving Technical Assistance and/or Professional Development from BPFC Staff	10	8				8
Number of Family Child Care Homes using the Wonderschool platform	7	7				7

**Comments:**

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## Use of funds to date and any budget considerations

Spending Category	Starting Budget	Total Spending (Enter Data)				Amount Remaining
		Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4	
Personnel	\$ 12,000	\$ 2,284				\$ 9,716
Travel/Training	\$ 300					\$ 300
Technology	\$ 7,000					\$ 7,000
Curriculum/Assessments						\$ -
Licensing/Dues						\$ -
Nutrition						\$ -
Transportation						\$ -
Supplies/Materials	\$ 1,250					\$ 1,250
Building Maintenance/Repair	\$ 165	\$ 293				\$ (128)
Rent/Occupancy/Utilities	\$ 450	\$ 129				\$ 321
Furniture						\$ -
Playground/Outdoor space						\$ -
Printing/Marketing/Website/Postage	\$ 1,750					\$ 1,750
Admin Expenses (Legal, Accounting, Insurance,						\$ -
Other (please list)	\$ 6,011	\$ 7				\$ 6,004
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 28,926</b>	<b>\$ 2,713</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 26,213</b>

**Comments:**

Paid advertising planned to begin in October. Q1 outreach for potential providers focused on social media (no cost).