

INVESTMENT PURPOSE PSTAA's Early Learning Facilities strategy is designed to increase access to high-quality child care in King County. DCHS prioritizes investments in communities where access to child care is extremely limited.

COMMUNITY NEED

The Washington State Department of Children, Youth, and Families estimates that over 19,000 King County children ages birth through 5 are not yet in school and need child care. This is a rough estimate based on children currently served by licensed providers and data on parents' employment status.



Met need in King County is estimated to be 42.08%



General Child Care Facilities Fund (GCCFF)

This fund provides resources to renovate existing non-home-based facilities and to construct new ones. Partnership-based and multi-purpose facilities will be prioritized.



Family Child Care Facilities Fund (FCCFF)

This fund provides support to family home child care providers in order to meet licensing requirements and enhance their quality of care.

"THIS COMPLEX PROJECT WILL ADDRESS IMPORTANT HEALTH AND SAFETY NEEDS."

-King County Family Child Care Provider

FAMILY FUND HIGHLIGHTS

In 2022, DCHS awarded \$541,140 to 25 family home child care providers across King County.

Geographic reach:

- South King: 10
- North King: 3
- East King: 6
- Central King/ Seattle: 6

Child care slots maintained:

• **U**p to 300

Award amounts:

• Lowest: \$2,000

• Highest: \$75,000

• Average: \$21,645

Types of projects:

- Fencing
- Decking
- Playground revamp
- Roofing
- Kitchen and bathroom updgrades and repairs
- Windows
- Major appliance replacement
- Electrical and plumbing issues
- Flooring

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AFTER









CHILDREN'S PARADISE

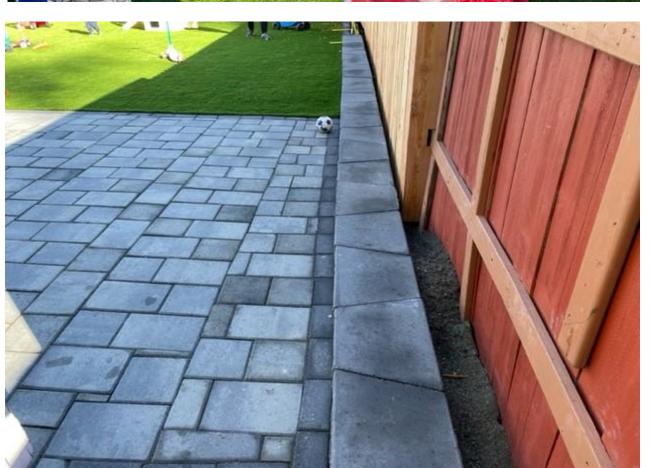












BEFORE AFTER





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LITTLE ONE'S DAYCARE











AFTER

WHAT STANDS OUT TO YOU ABOUT THE RESULTS OF THIS FUNDING ROUND?

Review Panel

Review panel begins review of eligible applications in Zoom Grants. Due to the large amount of eligible applicants, we recruit more reviewers.

JULY

Awards Determined

Review panel deliberates, priorities established and finalizes awards.

MAR 2022

Launch RFP

All RFP applications are due by end

of May. Held info session Q&A.

JUN 2022 2022 AUG 2022 SEPT 2022

RFP Development

JAN

2022

Worked with various internal and external partners - Commerce, City of Seattle, DCYF - to develop RFP criteria and eligibility.

Eligible Applicants Notified

In person visits begin with 92 eligible applicants and KC Engineer. After completing visits, the engineer writes a thorough work report for each eligible FCC. This determines potential awards based on scope of work.

Timeline Adjusted for Reviews and Visits

Review team requests more time to review and additional time is needed to get through in-person visits.

Award Notices

Award notices reviewed and sent for official signatures.

Contract Documents

We partnered with KC Attorney's
Office to create contract
documents. These documents are
accessible and easier to understand
for child care providers.

JAN

2023

Recruitment of Contractors

Recruiting contractors involves sending emails and making phone calls. Sometimes, you also have to enter new contractors into the KC system.

NOV 2022

OCT 2022

Decision Team and Council Notification

Internal process to ensure transparency and equity of award decisions.

DEC 2022

Awarded Applicants Notified

Awardees are notified of award and communication begins to schedule visit #2 with KC Engineer.

FEB 2023

Visit #2 Begins

Engineer begins second round of home visits to verify WWU and Scope of Work planned.

MAR 2023

Changing Scopes of Work and Award Increases

As time progresses labor and materials start to increase.

JUN

AUG 2023

Almost there....

Three quarters of the projects are contracted. Others are in different stages of the process- contracting, waiting for a contractor etc.

OCT

2023

2023 2023

Contracting and Contractor Recruitment

The strategy began with a focus on starting with regions. It shifted due to the amount of time contractors were taking to return bids. Some contracting begins with a few providers.

2023 Outdoor Projects

JUL

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There was a high demand for outdoor playground projects and not enough contractors specialized in this area.

SEPT 2023

Invoicing and Billing for Projects

Many of the projects are now complete and walk through visits are scheduled, contractors are paid.

Most projects are complete.

Invoices are being paid out. Most jobs have been completed with final walk through.

Planning for Second Phase of Funding

Questionnaire eligible providers from last funding round.

FEB

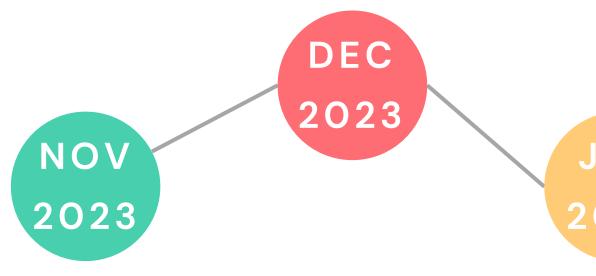
2024

Decision Team

recommendation to County leadership for approval decisions for funding round 2.

APR

2024



Internal Debrief

Internal debrief with PSTAA and FCCFF team on learnings, highlights, and next steps.

JAN 2024

CYAB Debrief

FCCFF Team presents learnings, highlights and next steps for funding round 2.

MAR 2024

Data Review

FCCFF Team processes all responses from providers.

NEXT STEPS FOR ROUND 2 FUNDING

Send out a survey to 66 eligible providers. Use it to determine eligibility and confirm scope.

> Changes to process: budget, residence, and subsidy verification

Recommend which projects to fund in 2024-25 and determine a prioritization calendar (April).

➤ Changes to process: work with an active list of 5-8 projects

Send award notices to council and providers (April-May).

Scoping and contracting (begins in June and lasts through 2025).

> Includes site visits, work write ups, and contractor recruitment

The goal would be for this process to wrap up within 12 months.

Anticipated funding for 2024 = \$402,000

