



Frequently Asked Questions

ELIGIBILITY

Who can apply?

All licensed child care centers, and registered family and large family child programs that meet all the following criteria:

- Located in Prince George's County;
- Currently closed or recently reopened after June 1, 2020*
- Serve children birth to age five years;
- In good standing with the State of Maryland;
- Able to reopen within thirty (30) days of receiving funds;
- Not in bankruptcy or litigation;
- Have not received funds/support from other county COVID-19 recovery business relief programs.

*Centers that remained open during the COVID-19 pandemic may now Apply!

Are non-profits or faith-based child care centers eligible?

Yes, they are eligible.

Are centers operating with a “Letters of Compliance” eligible?

Unfortunately, no.

My program only serves school-age (6-12 years old) children, can I apply?

Unfortunately, no. The funds are only available to support programs who serve children between birth and five years old. If your program serves any children within the birth to five age range, you may apply.

If I received business relief funds from the federal and/or state government, am I eligible?

Yes. You are only ineligible if you have received business relief funding from Prince George's County or local municipality.

APPLICATION

Will I need a computer to submit my application?

Yes, you will need access to a computer and internet since the application is online. If you do not have digital copies of required documents, you will also need access to a scanner.

Can I go back and make corrections to the application?

You will be able to save the application during each step and return to the application portal using your Application ID#. However, once the application has been “submitted”, no changes can be made.

I am a Sole proprietor and report my taxes in my personal name with business financials on a Schedule C. I do not have a State registration or evidence/certificate of good standing. Am I still eligible.

Yes. However, if you have a DBA (doing business as) or a registered trade name, please provide a copy of it. Additionally, if you are a sole proprietor doing business in your own name, you will need to upload a statement stating

I use bill pay for my daycare so I do not have checks. Is there document I can provide?

Go to your bank and obtain temporary free checks with your routing and account number. Write VOID across it and upload to online application.

FUNDS

How much can be awarded?

The maximum grant amount is: \$20,000 for child care centers and \$3,000 for family child care homes

How and when will the money be distributed?

Awards are expected will be announced on a rolling basis. Upon award, you will need to sign a Grant Agreement and submitted the required document. The terms of the Grant Agreement are non-negotiable. The Federal Tax Identification Number and Owner’s social security number (for Sole Proprietors) must be verified with the IRS prior to fund disbursement. Please ensure that the correct tax identification number has been submitted. The funds will be electronically deposited through an ACH bank payment.

AWARD

Are there restrictions placed on how the funds can be used?

Grant funding may be used for operating costs including personal protection equipment (PPE), payroll, supplies, rent, fixed debt payments and other business critical cash operating costs. The funds cannot be used for bonuses, incentives or expansion.

All expenditures must be COVID-related.

Will there be any reporting requirements?

Yes. These funds are considered a grant therefore will require reporting related to how funds were spent and data updates. Reports will include a quarterly report and a final report.