



COVID Relief Funds for Child Care

Overview

July 2021

District of Columbia is using multiple rounds of federal relief funds to provide relief to child care

Federal COVID Relief Funds

Opportunities for Child Care Providers

| Source | Amount | Opportunity | Total Funding |
|---|----------------|--|----------------|
| CARES CCDF | \$6 million | DC Child Care Road to Recovery Fund I | \$5.8 million |
| Governor's Emergency Education Relief | \$2.4 million | DC Child Care Road to Recovery Fund II | \$3 million |
| Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriation CCDF | \$16.7 million | DC Child Care Provider Relief Fund I | \$5 million |
| American Recovery Plan Child Care Stabilization | \$38.8 million | DC Child Care Provider Relief Fund II | \$10.7 million |
| American Recovery Plan CCDF | \$24.9 million | Child Care Stabilization Grants | \$38 million |

Notes:

- DC Child Care Provider Relief Fund I was funded with local funds
- CARES funds also supported emergency child care and increased subsidy costs in FY20
- CRRSA funds were also used for business and health and safety supports for providers
- ARP CCDF funds will be used for subsidy rates and workforce incentives/supports

Timeline of federal legislation and funding provided in each law

| Legislation | Date enacted | Funding Stream | Amount |
|--|----------------|---|----------------|
| Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES) | March 27, 2020 | CARES CCDF | \$6 million |
| Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriation (CRRSA) | Dec. 27, 2020 | Governor's Emergency Education Relief (GEER)* | \$2.4 million |
| | | CRRSA CCDF | \$16.7 million |
| American Recovery Plan (ARP) | March 11, 2021 | ARP Child Care Stabilization | \$38.8 million |
| | | ARP CCDF | \$24.9 million |

**The Governor's Emergency Education Relief Fund provided funding that governors could choose to use to support early childhood, elementary and secondary, or higher education. Mayor Bowser chose to dedicate all of the GEER funds that the District received from the CRRSA Act to support emergency relief for child care.*

Multiple grant programs provide emergency relief to child care providers (Additional detail)

| Opportunity | Funding | Administered by | Grant Launch date | Grant end date | Description |
|--|----------------|---|-------------------|-----------------|---|
| DC Child Care Road to Recovery Fund I | \$5.8 million | Low-Income Investment Fund | January 2021 | September 2021 | Targeted relief grants to providers with specific criteria/needs |
| DC Child Care Road to Recovery Fund II | \$3 million | Low-Income Investment Fund | July 2021* | September 2022* | Targeted relief grants to providers with specific criteria/needs |
| DC Child Care Provider Relief Fund I | \$5 million | Wacif | September 2020 | December 2020 | Formula-based relief grants to nearly all licensed providers |
| DC Child Care Provider Relief Fund II | \$10.7 million | Wacif | May 2021 | August 2021 | Formula-based relief grants to nearly all licensed providers |
| Child Care Stabilization Grants | \$38 million | Low-Income Investment Fund, Wacif, and others | Oct. 2021 | September 2023* | Formula-based relief grants to nearly all licensed providers, with additional targeted assistance available for some specific needs |



**Start/end date for the grant program as a whole; grants to individual providers may have different dates*