ARPA – Round Two Information Session

ELCMC – NOVEMBER 3, 2022
Agenda

- Overview of Grant
- Eligibility & Changes from Round One
- Required Back-Up Documents
- ARPA Round Two Provider Meeting Dates
- Q & A
Overview of Grant

What is ARPA?

The Child Care Stabilization Subgrant Program was authorized by Congress through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA). States received funding to provide direct assistance to eligible childcare providers to support their financial stability and offset unexpected costs associated with the COVID-19 pandemic.

Florida’s program is designed to help stabilize providers now, support them to make strategic investments in their employees and programs, and to reward high quality and participation in the School Readiness Program, with an emphasis on directing higher rates of support to high quality programs in an area with a childcare infrastructure deficit (desert).

The Division of Early Learning (DEL) is overseeing the Child Care Stabilization Subgrant Program in partnership with the Early Learning Coalitions (ELCs) throughout the State. ELCs will review applications to verify eligibility, confirm tax information, approve applications for payment and issue payments to providers.
Provider Eligibility & Changes in Grant from ARPA Round One

Who is eligible to apply?

1) Providers can apply for a Stabilization Subgrant if they are open (temporary closures are okay) and providing childcare services on the date of application and meet one of the following conditions

A. They were licensed, registered or regulated under the appropriate state or local law on or before March 11, 2021. Eligible Provider Types: • Licensed Child Care Facilities • Licensed Family Child Care Homes (including Large FCCHs) • Religious Exempt Programs • Registered Family Day Care Homes • Public and Non-Public School Programs • School-Age Only Programs

OR

B. Meet Child Care and Development Fund health and safety requirements including completion of comprehensive background checks.

2) Providers must also complete a current year fiscal year Child Care Resource and Referral (CCR&R) profile in the Florida Early Learning Provider Services Portal, if not previously completed; and

3) Submit an IRS Form W-9 for payment and direct deposit forms (as required by ELCs), if not previously submitted.

Providers not in good standing with or who had a contract terminated within the previous five years with the local early learning coalition are not eligible. Providers under investigation or convicted of childcare fraud and those on the Florida Child Care Food Program (CCFP) USDA Disqualified List are not eligible.
What’s New?

OLD PROCESS

1. Application is Completed by the Provider and Approved by ELC Staff
2. Award amount is split into three separate payments
3. Payment #1 - received within 30 days of application approval
4. Payment #2 - received 90 days after first payment
5. Payment #3 - received 90 days after second payment

NEW PROCESS

1. Application is Completed by the Provider and Approved by ELC Staff
2. Award amount is paid in ONE LUMP SUM within 30 days of your APPROVED Application.
Required Back-Up Documentation

Resources to review:

- ARPA Stabilization Subgrant Application
- ARPA Stabilization Subgrant Spending and Documentation Guide
- ARPA FAQ’s
- Materials Needed: Budget Worksheet
Meeting Dates

Location: ELCMC Office
Time: 6:00pm
In-Person
Max: 20 attendees
Registration links will be sent out via Constant Contact - watch your email!

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Questions?
Thank you for attending!

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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