

# FY22 COMMUNITIES ALIGNED IN EARLY DEVELOPMENT & EDUCATION

Summary and Funding Recommendations for Approval June 4, 2021



## Overview of Review Process and Timeline

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### PROPOSAL SUMMARY

- Proposal(s) Received: 1
- Funding Available: \$1,000,000
- Total Funding Requested: \$1,000,000

May 7	Applications Submitted to Children's Cabinet
May 10	Initial review by Children's Cabinet Staff for completeness, required documentation
May 10 - 17	Eligible applications reviewed and scored by an external panel
May 17	Scored proposals reviewed by Children's Cabinet staff
June 4	Children's Cabinet reviews and makes grant awards
May/June	Notice of awards delivered, once the Legislature has adjourned and the state budget is final
July 1	Fiscal year starts

## Funding Recommendation

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<b>Applicant</b>	<b>FY21 Award</b>	<b>FY22 Funding Request</b>	<b>FY22 Additional Request</b>	<b>FY22 Cash Match</b>	<b>FY22 Proposed Funding*</b>	<b>Proposal Overview</b>
<b>The Family Conservancy – Start Young Program</b>	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$0	\$665,000	\$1,000,000	Capacity building through the creation of new child care openings, system supports through provider assessments and data collection and professional and educational incentives for the workforce.

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- Project Title: Start Young Program
- Type of Application: Previously Funded
- Geographic Area Served: Wyandotte County
- CAEDE Funds Requested: \$1,000,000
- Number Children/Families To Be Served: 1200:  
775 Children, 235 Parents, 190 Early Education Staff

**Abstract**

To promote kindergarten-readiness for some of Kansas’ most vulnerable children, The Family Conservancy respectfully requests funding to support year four of Start Young. CAEDE dollars leveraged with local match investment will be utilized to serve 775 children, birth to age five; 235 parents, through direct services; and 190 early education staff in Wyandotte County. By empowering these 1,200 individuals and families, Start Young will continue to address the accessibility and quality of child care in our Wyandotte County community through capacity building, systems support, and professional development for teachers. Start Young includes: targeting developmental delays in children; improving the overall quality of center classrooms and family child care programs; facilitating child literacy and language training for early education teachers; and social emotional coaching to enhance learning outcomes for children. Start Young will utilize Common Measures to evaluate how programming components advance the Kansas Blueprint for Early Childhood’s impact areas. Funded partners will include MidAmerica Regional Council, United Way of Greater Kansas City, Juniper Gardens Children’s Project and Child Care Aware of Kansas.

<b>Proposed Program</b>	<b>Proposed Purpose</b>	<b>Funding Requested</b>
Early Learning Program Profile	Provides baseline data on seven key indicators, utilizing the Classroom Assessment and Scoring System (CLASS) tool, within the child care center.	\$70,162
Common Measures Administration	Common Measures Training and Administration	\$107,287
Salary Supplements	Encourage retention and professional growth of approximately 112 child care professionals based on their level of education in field.	\$233,613
Early Childhood Mental Health Classroom Support	Social emotional training for EC educators.	\$130,288

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Start Up Support	Recruit and support new providers to become licensed and open facilities by providing coaching and/or materials and furnishings.	\$79,517
Family Support	Child Care Subsidy Advocates to support families applying for child care subsidy, gap funding support and scholarships.	\$159,850
Teacher Education Support	Scholarships for educators to obtain a Child Development Associate (CDA) or college credit Early Childhood Education.	\$107,662
Project Management	Oversight of the Start Young project.	\$111,621

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