

Directory of Funding Opportunities and Resource Assistance (updated 1/9/23)

Introduction

New Opportunities

OSSE has partnered with the Low Income Investment Fund (LIIF) to administer three multi-year grant programs supporting the District's child care sector during the coronavirus (COVID-19) recovery: the Access to Quality Child Care Grant, Back-to-Work Child Care Grant and DC Child Care Stabilization Targeted Grant. Facilities may only participate in one of these grant programs. To determine if a facility is eligible and which grant program is most appropriate for the facility to participate in, the facility must complete and submit the general intake form hosted by LIIF.

Access to Quality Child Care Grant

The Access to Quality Child Care Grant is a \$10 million program that provides support to current and future child development facility operators to expand, open and improve new and existing child development facilities. LIIF will administer sub-grants to eligible child development facilities. Several sub-grant types are

Back-to-Work Child Care Grant

The Back-to-Work Child Care grant will provide additional financial assistance to preserve the supply of child development facilities in neighborhoods most impacted by COVID-19 through the District's pandemic recovery. It will provide funding to facilities in COVID-impacted neighborhoods that have sustained financial losses during the pandemic to allow them to remain in operation, return to full capacity/enrollment, make open spaces available for families returning to work and limit tuition increases for families. LIIF will also provide business support and technical assistance to participating child care providers to help them increase enrollment, develop business and sustainability plans to ensure their facility's ability to continue serving families following the end of the grant period, and make changes to their program or operations needed to improve financial sustainability or program quality.

DC Child Care Stabilization Targeted Grant In 2023

OSSE launched the DC Child Care Stabilization Grant to provide financial relief to child development facilities for unexpected business costs associated with the pandemic and help stabilize their operations and preserve the supply of child care for children and families. OSSE partnered with LIIF, the Washington Area Community Investment Fund (Wacif), Hurley & Associates and the United Planning Organization (UPO) to disburse funds to eligible child development facilities and began disbursing funds in early 2022. In FY23, LIIF will support OSSE to disburse additional DC Child Care Stabilization Grant funds through a separate process to child development facilities that have additional needs that were not covered by their initial awards, and who are not receiving financial assistance through the Access to Quality Child Care Grant or Back-to-Work Child Care Grant.

Contact For questions about Child Care Grants, please email childcareDC@liifund.org.

Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development

DMPED Grants:

Business Funding Opportunities dmped.dc.gov

Various existing and new grant programs and procurement opportunities for DC businesses will be available through the DMPED cluster in fiscal year 2023. See website for the calendar and program descriptions. Program details and updates will be added as they become available.

<https://dmped.dc.gov/page/fy23-business-funding-opportunities>

College Grants

DC Tuition Assistance Grant (DCTAG)

<https://osse.dc.gov/dctag>

DC Futures Program

<https://osse.dc.gov/dcfutures>

Mayors Scholars Undergraduate Program

<https://osse.dc.gov/mayorsscholars>

OSSE Scholars

<https://osse.dc.gov/page/osse-scholars-summer-college-programs>

United States Presidential Scholars

<https://osse.dc.gov/page/united-states-presidential-scholars>

United States Senate Youth Program

<https://osse.dc.gov/service/united-states-senate-youth-program-ussyp>

The Coca Cola Teacher Foundation (High School Students)

<https://www.coca-colascholarsfoundation.org>

American Montessori Society Teacher Education Scholarship Fund

<https://amshq.org>

Zeta Phi Beta Isabel M. Herson Scholarship in Education

www.zphibmuzeta.org/national-education-foundation.html

Foundation Community Grants

Walmart Foundation Community Grants

<https://walmart.org/how-we-give/local-community-grants>

Target Foundation Community Grants/Givings

<https://corporate.target.com/sustainability-ESG/community-engagement>

Small Business Funding

Small Business Administration (SBA) Grants

<https://www.sba.gov/funding-programs/grants>

DC Department of Small and Local Business Development (DSLBD)

<https://dslbd.dc.gov/>

DC Mayor's Office of Community Affairs

<https://communityaffairs.dc.gov/content/community-grant-program>

Small Business Grants for Women and Minorities

<https://www.nav.com/blog/9-best-small-business-grants-for-women-34414/>

Out of School Time

Grant Watch

<https://washingtondc.grantwatch.com/grant/207061/grants-to-maryland-virginia-and-washington-dc-nonprofits-for-profits-ihes-and-schools-for-professional-development-services-to-benefit-youth.html>

Additional Resources

Get Ed Funding

<https://blog.getedfunding.com/2017/07/10-pitfalls-to-avoid-in-successful-educational-grant-writing/>

How to write a grant proposal: a step-by-step guide

<https://www.pandadoc.com/blog/grant-proposal/>

Local Funding

DC Office of Grants and Partnerships

The Office of Partnerships and Grant Services provides the following list of capacity building organizations as a potential service that your organization might consider for technical support. Please note that OPGS does not encourage the procurement or endorse the quality of services that might be offered to you by any of the cited organizations. Feel free to contact OPGS should you have questions about this information

Some of OPGS' services are listed below

- One-on-one consultations to discuss potential collaboration and grant development approaches and opportunities.
- Presentations at community and stakeholder meetings to promote the office's technical assistance and training services.
- Customized capacity-building workshops for targeted customers; and,
- Guidance on nonprofit incorporation and 501 (c)(3) application procedures.

<https://opgs.dc.gov/service/grants-information-resource-center-girc>

DMPED Grants:

Great Streets Small Business Retail Grant

Great Streets is the District's commercial revitalization initiative, led by the Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development (DMPED), designed to support existing small businesses, attract new businesses, increase the District's tax base, create new job opportunities for District Residents and transform emerging corridors into thriving and inviting neighborhood centers.

Annual, competitive grants up to \$50,000 to support storefront improvements for qualified small businesses located along 13 commercial corridors. The hallmark grant opportunity for the Great Streets program to help small businesses renovate their storefront to attract new customers and drive profitability.

<https://greatstreets.dc.gov/page/small-business-business-grants>

Neighborhood Prosperity Fund (NPF)

NPF provides gap funding for the non-residential components of a mixed used project, real estate, or retail development project in targeted census tracts where unemployment is 10% or greater.

<https://dmped.dc.gov/node/1211615>

DC Developmental Council Innovation Grants

The DC Developmental Disabilities Council (DDC) is soliciting applications for FY2020 Innovation Grants. The purpose of these grants is to support creative ideas in DC that will build inclusive communities where people with and without disabilities thrive together. Project funds must be used to benefit DC residents.

<https://ddc.dc.gov/page/dd-council-innovation-grants>

Early Education Funding

Receive Free Books

First Book empowers educators with an unprecedented choice of high quality books and materials.

FirstBook.org

Kaboom! Playground Grants

KaBOOM! is a national nonprofit that envisions a great place to play within walking distance of every child in America.

<https://kaboom.org/grants>

LEGO Children's Fund Grants

The LEGO Children's Fund will provide quarterly grants for programs, either in part or in total, with a special interest paid to collaborative efforts and in providing matching funds to leverage new dollars into the receiving organization.

<https://education.lego.com/en-gb/grants-and-funding>

Kellogg Foundation Grants

The mission of the Kellogg Family Foundation is to support the values and ideals held most dear by each generation of the Kellogg family: family, education, health and community. The foundation maintains a list of grants available to support their mission.

<https://kelloggfamilyfoundation.com/grants>

The Safeway Foundation

The Safeway Foundation funds nonprofit organizations that strengthen the neighborhoods they serve. We consider applications in the following areas: health and human services, hunger relief, education and helping people with disabilities.

safewayfoundation.org/get-funded

Toshiba America Foundation

Toshiba America Foundation's mission is to provide teachers with additional funds to support classroom projects.

<https://www.toshibafoundation.com/apply/grantsapplication.html>

Educators of America

Scholarships and classroom grants are available to all educators.

<https://www.educatorsusa.org/about-us/partners-grant-awards>

Grades K - 5: For Teachers**The Captain Planet Foundation**

The Captain Planet Foundation primarily makes grants to U.S.-based schools and organizations with an annual operating budget of less than \$3 million.

<https://captainplanetfoundation.org/resources/grants>

Crayola Art-Infused Education Program Grants

Join Crayola's free online community and get timely funding, grant and resource information. Don't miss "Funding Fridays" for updates weekly.

<https://www.crayola.com/education/resources-grants>

Sparkplug Foundation

The Sparkplug Foundation is a family foundation that funds start-up organizations and new projects of established organizations in music, education and community organizing.

<https://www.sparkplugfoundation.org>

Nonprofit and Faith-Based Support Services

The Faith Based Nonprofit Resource Center

The Faith Based Nonprofit Resource Center exists to help faith-based nonprofits and ministries to fulfill their missions. They provide a comprehensive array of services to strengthen and support the organization while also equipping leaders for success.

<https://grantstation.com/mvp-partners/Faith-Based-Nonprofit-Resource-Center>

The Center for Faith and Opportunity Initiatives (Partnership Center)

The Partnership Center leads the department's efforts to build and support partnerships with faith-based and community organizations in order to better serve individuals, families and communities in need.

<https://www.hhs.gov/about/agencies/iea/partnerships/index.html>

Federal Funding

Department of Health and Human Services Grants

The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) is the largest grant-making agency in the US. Most HHS grants are provided directly to states, territories, tribes and educational and community organizations, then given to people and organizations who are eligible to receive funding.

<https://www.hhs.gov/grants/grants/get-ready-for-grants-management/index.html>

Early Childhood Education Grants

The US government distributes money through grants each year to help people open a new business or expand an existing one.

<https://childcarelounge.com/pages/grants-for-early-childhood-education>

US Department of Education

The US Department of Education has a history of funding early learning programs.

<https://www.ed.gov/early-learning/programs>

Private Childhood Education Philanthropic Funders

The Foundation for Child Development

The Foundation for Child Development identifies needs, fills gaps and integrates knowledge for successful implementation and continuous improvement. Their website is a resource for building effective early childhood development systems.

<https://www.fcd-us.org/about-us/grants/>

Additional Resources

Citywide Grants Manual and Sourcebook

The Grants Manual and Sourcebook is for use by the District of Columbia and its Offices, Departments, Agencies, Boards and Commissions. It establishes “best practices” policies and procedures for the application for, acceptance of and disbursement of private, federal and local grant monies.

<https://is.dc.gov/book/citywide-grant-manual-and-sourcebook>

DC Office of Partnerships and Grants Development

The Executive Office of the Mayor, has compiled information to assist you in considering the benefits of hiring a professional writer, identifying prospective consultants and working effectively with the grant writer. Please note that OPGS may not endorse the grant writing services of any external consultants or fundraising organizations.

[https://opgs.dc.gov/sites/default/files/dc/sites/opgs/release_content/attachments/7898/grantwriter.p
df](https://opgs.dc.gov/sites/default/files/dc/sites/opgs/release_content/attachments/7898/grantwriter.pdf)

FundsnetServices.com

FundsnetServices.com's purpose is to help spread the word about grants programs initiatives, fundraising programs, philanthropy, foundations and 501(c)(3) non-profits organizations sources by posting related links on its site.

<http://www.fundsnetervices.com/>

Additional Supports

- Center for Nonprofit Advancement
<https://www.nonprofitadvancement.org/>
- Community Economic Development (CED) Project
<https://www.acf.hhs.gov/ocs/programs/ced>
- Candid
<https://fconline.foundationcenter.org/>
- Local Initiatives Support Corporation
<https://www.lisc.org/>
- Meyer Foundation
<https://meyerfoundation.org/>
- Serve DC
<https://servedc.galaxydigital.com/>
- The Social Action Leadership School for Activists
<https://leadershiplearning.org/leadership-resources/leadership-program-directory/social-action-and-leadership-school-social-activis>
- Washington Area Lawyers for the Arts
<https://waladc.org/>
- Washington Regional Association for Grantmakers
<https://www.washingtongrantmakers.org/>