



Summary Notice of Funding Availability

Reporting Form

DHHS Division/Office Issuing This Notice: Division of Child Development and Early Education (DCDEE)

Date of This Notice: January 2, 2024

Program Name: In-Home Family Child-Care Program

Purpose of the RFA: Through this Request for Application the Division seeks to create a pilot program to retain and build a new in-home child care programs across the state and to build program quality through business, operational professional development and mentorship.

Description: Low-income families and vulnerable populations may be most affected by the lack of available family child care. North Carolina is committed to families having a mixed delivery early care and learning system including equitable access to family child care providers. The North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services and Division of Child Development and Early Education seeks an entity to establish a pilot program that provides business, financial assistance, professional development and mentorship in creating new child care homes and sustaining existing in-home child care programs in this state.

Funding Availability: Up to \$1,050,000 is available for the *In-Home Family Child Care Program* from May 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025.

Applicant Eligibility:

This RFA is open to state agencies and universities, public, for profit, and private nonprofit organizations with a current 501(c)(3) standing who can demonstrate their capacity to manage Federal/State grant funds and programs at an intensive level in collaboration with multiple partners through satisfactory audit reports; education, experience, and expertise of key personnel; and demonstrated support for the proposal from the applicant's organization. Applicants must have knowledge of the NC family childcare home requirements, demonstrate, and provide examples of their strategy to create a pilot program for in-home child care programs. Applicants must establish business and financial assistance in creating new in-home child care programs and sustaining existing programs. In conclusion applicants must work effectively with various state and local agencies.

How to Apply:

EMAIL an electronic PDF of your application to the NC Division of Child Development and Early Education via this email:

DCDEE.Contracts.Unit.RFA@dhhs.nc.gov

The signature of an authorized official is required on the application face sheet. An electronic signature or an electronic scanned copy of the signed application face sheet will be accepted. **Only electronic application submissions via email will be** accepted, i.e., do not mail, fax, or deliver copies of the application to DCDEE's physical or mailing address.

Intent to Apply:

Eligible agencies and/or organizations interested in applying for this RFA are encouraged to notify DCDEE of their intent to apply via the following link,

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2Y3DN92> no later than **5:00 p.m., February 9, 2024.**

Agencies are **not** required to notify of their intent to respond to this RFA; this information is requested to assist DCDEE in planning. Responses to this notice of intent are not binding and will not impact the review and scoring of your RFA submission. Data from this survey is used for planning and research purposes only.

BIDDER'S CONFERENCE: DCDEE plans on hosting a Bidder's Conference for this RFA on **January 31, 2024 at 1:30 pm.** During this time an overview of the RFA will be presented along with an opportunity for Q&A. Please click the link to join.

<https://ncgov.webex.com/ncgov/j.php?MTID=mdcbd90fca4f29a37f98a5ca763c7361c>

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Deadline for Submission:

Applications, subject to the following conditions, must be received no later than **5:00 p.m., February 26, 2024.**

For more information or to obtain a copy of the complete Request for Application please contact: Celeste Pleasant celeste.pleasant@dhhs.nc.gov