

**“You cannot change children or their families, but you can create conditions that will help them change themselves.”**



# Agenda

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# FLAEYC Directors' Chapter

The FLAEYC Directors' Chapter will cultivate early childhood leaders and provide a system of networks, supports, and resources for early care and education educators and administrators throughout the state of Florida.

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NOW!**

# Suggested Norms

- **Be fully present**
- **Assume goodwill**
- **Trust the process**
- **Step up: Step back**

# Guest Speakers



**Shan Goff**, Executive Director  
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**Erin Smeltzer**, Executive Director  
**Tony Loupe**, AELC Chair and Executive  
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# Emergency Funding Assistance for Child Care Providers

## CARES Act Funding

FLAEYC Webinar

July 16, 2020 6:00 p.m.



# CARES Act Funding

## Agenda

- Guiding Principles
- OEL/FDOE's Response to COVID-19
- Phase I and Phase II Grants
  - Allocation Methodology
  - Program Guidance 240.21
  - Provider Eligibility and Applications





# CARES Act Funding

## Principles for Rebuilding Early Learning Sector

1. Stabilize and rebuild the early education and care landscape with an emphasis on quality providers.
2. Support low income families served in the School Readiness Program.
3. Close/remediate achievement gaps for rising kindergarten students.
4. Redirect Preschool Development Grant (PDG) funds, as appropriate, to support families, providers and communities.
5. Provide coalitions with local flexibility, as appropriate, to leverage local partnerships and resources.
6. Enhance workforce through incentives to increase and improve their skills, competency and professionalism.

# CARES Act Funding

## OEI's Response to COVID-19

- Continuous contact with coalitions and providers
- School Readiness (SR) and Voluntary Prekindergarten (VPK) education program closure rates tracked daily
- Flexible and compassionate response
- Mini-Grants and Teacher Stipends
- Emergency Child Care Relief Grants – Phase I
- High-Quality Reopening Support Grants – Phase II

# CARES Act Funding

## Stabilize and Rebuild

- Paid providers based on enrollment as opposed to attendance.
- Prioritized and increased access to child care services for children of first responders and health care workers.
- Provided mini-grants for infrastructure and cleaning supply costs and teacher stipends for continued training.
- Provided Emergency Child Care Relief Grants and High-Quality Reopening Grants statewide to both contracted and non-contracted providers.

# CARES Act Funding

## Financial Support to Low Income Families Served

- Eliminated terminations of SR child care services.
- Provided flexibility for SR child care eligibility.
- Extended timelines for submission of paperwork.
- Waived required SR parent copayments.

# CARES Act Funding

## Results

- \$151M— Funding to date to support Florida’s child care providers and their families (Child Care and Development Fund and CARES Act).
- Steady and significant drop in closures of School Readiness/VPK providers, from a high of 58% in mid-April 2020, to 16.2% as of July 15, 2020.

# CARES Act Grants: Phase I and Phase II

## Allocation Methodology

- Choose April 30<sup>th</sup> as the date for determining status of providers: open or closed
- Used DCF/EFS Mod combined file of ~12,000 providers
- Coalitions reviewed the file
- OEL included additional funding to coalitions to provide grants to omitted eligible providers

# CARES Act Grants: Phase I and Phase II

## Program Guidance 240.21: Phase I – Open Providers

SR/ VPK Contracted Providers	Non-Contracted Providers
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# Phase I: Emergency Child Care Relief Grants

## Open Providers – 4,189 Contracted & 2,291 Non-Contracted

Capacity Range	Contracted Providers - Base Grant Funding (4,189)	Bonus for Serving Infant/Toddler and/or Special Needs
1 - 12	\$ 2,250	\$ 2,000
13 - 20	\$ 3,750	\$ 2,000
21 - 74	\$ 6,000	\$ 2,000
75 -149	\$ 12,000	\$ 2,000
150+	\$ 18,000	\$ 2,000

Capacity Range	Non-Contracted Providers - Base Grant Funding (2,291)
1 - 12	\$ 1,725
13 - 20	\$ 2,875
21 - 74	\$ 4,600
75 -149	\$ 9,200
150+	\$ 13,800



# Phase I: Emergency Child Care Relief Grants

	Providers (Unduplicated)	Providers w/ Inf,Todd, SPN	Base Grant Funding		Bonus Funding for Serving Infant, Toddler, and/or Special Needs		Total Allocation
			\$ / Provider	Allocation	\$ / Provider	Allocation	
<b>Phase 1: Emergency Child Care Relief Grants</b>							
<b>Phase 1 Total</b>	<b>6,480</b>	<b>2,269</b>		<b>\$44,699,275</b>		<b>\$ 4,530,000</b>	<b>\$49,229,275</b>
<b>Priority 1: Open SR/VPK</b>							
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>4,189</b>	<b>2,265</b>		<b>\$ 36,633,750</b>		<b>\$ 4,530,000</b>	<b>\$ 41,163,750</b>
Capacity Range							
0 - 12	1236	596	\$ 2,250	\$ 2,781,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 1,192,000	\$ 3,973,000
13 - 20	45	10	\$ 3,750	\$ 168,750	\$ 2,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 188,750
21 - 74	1024	617	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,144,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 1,234,000	\$ 7,378,000
75 -149	1062	686	\$ 12,000	\$12,744,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 1,372,000	\$14,116,000
150+	822	356	\$ 18,000	\$14,796,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 712,000	\$15,508,000
<b>Priority 2: Remaining Open Non-SR/VPK Providers (All)</b>							
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>2,291</b>	<b>4</b>		<b>\$ 8,065,525</b>		<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 8,065,525</b>
Capacity Range							
0 - 12	1644	3	\$ 1,725	\$ 2,835,900	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,835,900
13 - 20	27		\$ 2,875	\$ 77,625	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 77,625
21 - 74	270		\$ 4,600	\$ 1,242,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,242,000
75 -149	200	1	\$ 9,200	\$ 1,840,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,840,000
150+	150		\$ 13,800	\$ 2,070,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,070,000

# Phase II: High-Quality Reopening Support Grants

## Program Guidance 240.21: Phase II – High-Quality Closed Providers

HQ SR/VPK Contracted Providers	HQ Non-Contracted Providers
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Closed for business April 30, 2020</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Closed for business April 30, 2020</li> </ul>
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# Phase II: High-Quality Reopening Support Grants

## HQ Closed Providers – 2,246 Contracted & 36 Non-Contracted

Capacity Range	HQ Contracted Providers - Base Grant Funding (2,246)	Bonus for Serving Infant/Toddler and/or Special Needs
1 - 12	\$ 1,575	\$ 2,000
13 - 20	\$ 2,625	\$ 2,000
21 - 74	\$ 4,200	\$ 2,000
75 -149	\$ 8,400	\$ 2,000
150+	\$ 12,600	\$ 2,000

Capacity Range	HQ Non-Contracted Providers Base Grant Funding (36)
1 - 12	\$ 1,208
13 - 20	\$ 2,013
21 - 74	\$ 3,220
75 -149	\$ 6,440
150+	\$ 9,660

# Phase II: High-Quality Reopening Support Grants

	Providers (Unduplicated)	Providers w/ Inf,Todd, SPN	Base Grant Funding		Bonus Funding for Serving Infant, Toddler, and/or Special Needs		Total Allocation
			\$ / Provider	Allocation	\$ / Provider	Allocation	
<b>Phase 2: Child Care Reopening Supports Grants</b>							
<b>Phase 2 Total</b>	<b>2,282</b>	<b>1,471</b>		<b>\$16,176,493</b>		<b>\$ 2,938,000</b>	<b>\$19,114,493</b>
<b>Priority 3: Closed SR/VPK High Quality</b>							
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>2,246</b>	<b>1,469</b>		<b>\$ 15,956,325</b>		<b>\$ 2,938,000</b>	<b>\$ 18,894,325</b>
Capacity Range							
0 - 12	253	154	\$ 1,575	\$ 398,475	\$ 2,000	\$ 308,000	\$ 706,475
13 - 20	26	10	\$ 2,625	\$ 68,250	\$ 2,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 88,250
21 - 74	691	443	\$ 4,200	\$ 2,902,200	\$ 2,000	\$ 886,000	\$ 3,788,200
75 -149	831	581	\$ 8,400	\$ 6,980,400	\$ 2,000	\$ 1,162,000	\$ 8,142,400
150+	445	281	\$ 12,600	\$ 5,607,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 562,000	\$ 6,169,000
<b>Priority 4: Closed Non-SR/VPK Providers Gold Seal</b>							
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>2</b>		<b>\$ 220,168</b>		<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 220,168</b>
Capacity Range							
0 - 12	1		\$ 1,208	\$ 1,208	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,208
13 - 20			\$ 2,013	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
21 - 74	11	1	\$ 3,220	\$ 35,420	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 35,420
75 -149	15	1	\$ 6,440	\$ 96,600	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 96,600
150+	9		\$ 9,660	\$ 86,940	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 86,940

# Questions?



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# Phase 1:

Open  
Contracted  
Providers

Program Guidance 240.21 COVID-19 Crisis  
Emergency Funding for Early Learning/Child Care Providers  
Attachment 3



## Early Learning/Child Care Provider Eligibility Form: SR/VPK Provider

Program Year 2019 - 2020 \_\_\_\_\_ Indicate option for emergency/enhanced quality grant opportunity

Select ONE:

a. Open on 4/30/2020 - Emergency Child Care Relief Grant (Phase I Open)

b. Closed on 4/30/2020 - High-Quality Reopening Support Grant (Phase II Closed)

Reopen/Planned Reopening Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please print and fill out completely.

Early Learning/Child Care Provider

### 1. Provider Information

Legal Name of Provider and d/b/a (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Authorized Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Provider email address \_\_\_\_\_ EFS Profile ID: \_\_\_\_\_

### 2. Eligibility Criteria for each Early Learning/Child Care Provider

Does this provider meet the following eligibility criteria requirements?

Yes  No Current School Readiness (SR) or Voluntary Prekindergarten (VPK) contract?

Yes  No Open for business on April 30, 2020? \*

\*CLOSED PROVIDER ONLY:

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Yes  No Planned date for reopening on or before August 1 (consistent with local ordinances or restrictions)?

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Reopening Plan Narrative:

Budget (See Attachment 5 for Grant Amounts)

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Signature of Authorized Provider Representative

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

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# Phase 2:

## Closed Contracted Providers





# For ELC/RCMA Use Only

Sections below – for ELC/RCMA use only

## 4. Application Information Provided to/Processed by – *completed by ELC/RCMA staff*

- Yes  No Is this application form complete?  
 Yes  No Does the provider meet the listed eligibility criteria?  
 Yes  No Have you verified your entity is the "home" coalition for this provider?

*If all above responses are yes, this application form can be accepted.* Signature  
of Authorized Provider Representative

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Entity  Early Learning Coalition  RCMA  Other \_\_\_\_\_

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## Non-Contracted Provider Process


- Start with creating provider profile at [www.providerservices.floridaearlylearning.com](http://www.providerservices.floridaearlylearning.com) (ELC will send approval once profile is completed accurately)
- Contact early learning coalition to determine specific application process (i.e. application location and deadlines)
- Complete application and submit to coalition
- Submit W-9 forms to early learning coalition

# Phase 1

## Non-contracted Providers

### Open on 4/30

Program Guidance 240.21 COVID-19 Crisis  
 Emergency Funding for Early Learning/Child Care Providers  
 Attachment 4

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**Early Learning/Child Care Provider Eligibility Form: Non-Contracted Provider**

Program Year **20\_19 - 20\_20** Indicate option for emergency/enhanced quality grant opportunity

Select ONE:  
 a. Open on 4/30/2020 - Emergency Child Care Relief Grant (Phase I Open)  
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Early Learning/Child Care Provider

**1. Provider Information**

Legal Name of Provider and d/b/a (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

P.O. Box/Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_, FL \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #1 \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #2 \_\_\_\_\_ Fax # \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Phase 2**  
 Non-contracted  
 Providers Closed  
 on 4/30 with 3.5  
 or higher CLASS  
 score or  
 Gold Seal  
 Designation



# How To Find ELC Contact



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# Breakout Rooms

- **Use this opportunity to connect with one another and discuss what you just heard.**
- **As a group, identify one additional questions that you'd like answered and choose one member of your breakout group to be the scribe.**
- **When you return to the full group, post this question in the chat and it will be read aloud.**

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# Implementation of CARES Act Funding: Phase I and Phase II

The Office of Early Learning, in cooperation with the Florida Department of Education, is directing Florida allocations from the CARES Act to contracted and non-contracted providers who need support to remain open or to re-open. Allocations are being made in two phases.

## Phase I: Emergency Child Care Relief Grants for Providers

For providers that were open as of April 30, 2020

The following funding allocations will support providers that were open on April 30, 2020. Providers may have had intermittent closures; however, providers closed permanently after April 30, 2020 are not eligible for these funds.

### Phase I Contracted Provider Funding & Eligibility

Capacity Range	Base Grant Funding	Bonus for Serving Infant/Toddler and/or Special Needs
1 - 12	\$ 2,250	\$ 2,000
13 - 20	\$ 3,750	\$ 2,000
21 - 74	\$ 6,000	\$ 2,000
75 -149	\$ 12,000	\$ 2,000
150+	\$ 18,000	\$ 2,000

Providers must meet each of the following criteria for payment:

1. Was open for business providing early learning services as of April 30, 2020 (may have had intermittent closures).
2. Has a current/active SR or VPK contract on April 30, 2020, with at least one early learning coalition or Redlands Christian Migrant Association, Inc.
3. Completes grant application.

### Phase I Non-Contracted Provider Funding & Eligibility

Capacity Range	Base Grant Funding
1 - 12	\$ 1,725
13 - 20	\$ 2,875
21 - 74	\$ 4,600
75 -149	\$ 9,200
150+	\$ 13,800

Providers must meet each of the following criteria for payment:

1. Was open for business providing early learning services as of April 30, 2020 (may have had intermittent closures).
2. Agrees to complete a Child Care Resource and Referral (CCR&R) profile in the Florida Early Learning Provider Services Portal.;
3. Has not received any Class I DCF violations within the past 12 months.
4. Did not have a contract with the early learning coalition terminated for cause within the past five years.
5. Is not included on the Florida Child Care Food Program USDA Disqualified List.
6. Completes grant application, which includes submitting an IRS Form W-9 for payment.

## Phase II: High-Quality Reopening Support Grants for Providers

To reopen providers that were closed April 30, 2020

Coalitions will receive additional funding to support contracted and non-contracted providers that were **closed for business as of April 30, 2020** and **have either reopened or are planning to reopen**. If providers have not reopened by the projected date in their application, the coalition may recoup these funds.

### Phase II Contracted Provider Funding & Eligibility

Capacity Range	Base Grant Funding	Bonus for Serving Infant/Toddler and/or Special Needs
1 - 12	\$ 1,575	\$ 2,000
13 - 20	\$ 2,625	\$ 2,000
21 - 74	\$ 4,200	\$ 2,000
75 -149	\$ 8,400	\$ 2,000
150+	\$ 12,600	\$ 2,000

Providers must meet each of the following criteria for payment:

1. Was closed for business as of April 30, 2020 and has reopened providing early learning services or plans to reopen by August 1, 2020 (consistent with local ordinances or restrictions).
2. Has a current/active SR or VPK contract on April 30, 2020, with at least one early learning coalition or Redlands Christian Migrant Association, Inc.
3. Has either Gold Seal status or CLASS composite score of 3.5 or higher.
4. Completes grant application, which includes plans for expenditure of funds and reopen date or tentative date for reopening.

### Phase II Non-Contracted Provider Funding & Eligibility

Capacity Range	Base Grant Funding
1 - 12	\$ 1,208
13 - 20	\$ 2,013
21 - 74	\$ 3,220
75 -149	\$ 6,440
150+	\$ 9,660

Providers must meet each of the following criteria for payment:

1. Was closed for business as of April 30, 2020 and has reopened providing early learning services or plans to reopen by August 1, 2020 (consistent with local ordinances or restrictions).
2. Agrees to complete a Child Care Resource and Referral (CCR&R) profile in the Florida Early Learning Provider Services Portal.
3. Has not received any Class I DCF violations within the past 12 months.
4. Did not have a contract with the early learning coalition terminated for cause within the past five years.
5. Has either Gold Seal status or CLASS composite score of 3.5 or higher.
6. Is not included on the Florida Child Care Food Program (CCFP) USDA Disqualified List.
7. Completes grant application, which includes plans for expenditure of funds, entering a reopened date or tentative date for reopening, and submitting an IRS Form W-9 for payment.



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## Early Learning/Child Care Provider Eligibility Form: SR/VPK Provider

Program Year 20\_\_ - 20\_\_ Indicate option for emergency/enhanced quality grant opportunity

Select ONE:

- a. Open on 4/30/2020 - Emergency Child Care Relief Grant (Phase 1 Open)
- b. Closed on 4/30/2020 - High-Quality Reopening Support Grant (Phase II Closed)  
Reopen/Planned Reopening Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please print and fill out completely.

Early Learning/Child Care Provider

### 1. Provider Information

Legal Name of Provider and d/b/a (if applicable):

Authorized Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Provider email address \_\_\_\_\_ EFS Profile ID: \_\_\_\_\_

### 2. Eligibility Criteria for each Early Learning/Child Care Provider

Does this provider meet the following eligibility criteria requirements?

- Yes  No Current School Readiness (SR) or Voluntary Prekindergarten (VPK) contract?
- Yes  No Open for business on April 30, 2020? \*

**\*CLOSED PROVIDER ONLY:**

- Yes  No Expenditure Plan Narrative and Budget included (may be completed below or included as separate attachment)?
- Yes  No Planned date for reopening on or before August 1 (consistent with local ordinances or restrictions)?
- Yes  No Does the provider have Gold Seal accreditation or a CLASS score of 3.5 or higher?

***If all responses are yes, provider is eligible for the above-indicated emergency/enhanced quality grant opportunity.***

### 3. Expenditure Plan Information (check here if submitting separate document )

Reopening Plan Narrative:



**Budget** (See Attachment 5 for Grant Amounts)

<b>Category</b>	
Operations	
Salaries/Benefits	
Mortgage, Rent, etc.	
Minor Repairs	
Insurance	
Health and Safety Supplies	
Equipment	
Other (List)	

**Early Learning/Child Care Provider Attestations**

I am submitting this application to qualify for and receive the above-listed emergency grant and understand all monies received must be used for the items/activities noted. I attest to the fact that the information I have provided in this application is true and accurate and understand if my application is incomplete or incorrect it will be returned to me. I also understand that if my program/facility has not reopened by the projected date in the application, the early learning coalition may take actions to recoup these funds.

I have read over this application to ensure completeness and correctness and have made a copy of this application for my own records.

Signature of Authorized Provider Representative

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

*I confirm that this electronic signature is to be the legally binding equivalent of my handwritten signature and that the data on this form is accurate to the best of my knowledge.*

**Sections below – for ELC/RCMA use only**

**4. Application Information Provided to/Processed by – *completed by ELC/RCMA staff***

Yes  No Is this application form complete?

Yes  No Does the provider meet the listed eligibility criteria?

Yes  No Have you verified your entity is the “home” coalition for this provider?

***If all above responses are yes, this application form can be accepted.***

Signature of Authorized Provider Representative

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Entity  Early Learning Coalition  RCMA  Other \_\_\_\_\_

## Early Learning/Child Care Provider Eligibility Form: Non-Contracted Provider

Program Year 20\_\_ - 20\_\_ Indicate option for emergency/enhanced quality grant opportunity

Select ONE:

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 b. Closed on 4/30/2020 - High-Quality Reopening Support Grant (Phase II Closed)  
Reopen/Planned Reopening Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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#### 1. Provider Information

Legal Name of Provider and d/b/a (if applicable):  
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P.O. Box/Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_, FL \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #1 \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #2 \_\_\_\_\_ Fax # \_\_\_\_\_

License or Exemption # \_\_\_\_\_

Provider email address \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_

Provider Type (check all that apply):  Profit  Nonprofit  Public  Religious Exempt  Home

Please check all forms of funding your location receives:

Head Start  Early Head Start  State Head Start  VPK  None

Title I  IDEA  CCAMPIS

Number of children licensed for \_\_\_\_\_ Number of children enrolled \_\_\_\_\_

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Contact Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Entity  Early Learning Coalition  RCMA  Other \_\_\_\_\_