

# CHILD CARE FACILITIES IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM PHASE 2

**Applications for the Child Care Facilities Improvement Program Phase 2 are now open. Please click the APPLY HERE button on the right to apply.**

We are pleased to share that as of February 2025, NJEDA has made more than 25 grant award approvals! NJEDA staff are continuing to review and approve submitted applications.

#### What this means:

- Phase 2 is *not* oversubscribed and is still open for new applications.
- Applications are being reviewed based on submission date and time. Application processing speed and approval may be impacted by how complete and thorough the application is at the time of submission (e.g., missing or incorrect documentation). As a result, it may take months for an application to move from initial submission to grant approval. We highly recommend that you address any identified issues quickly and thoroughly once identified. Please also find a complete list of documentation and requirements listed [HERE](#).
- As your application moves into the first stages of the review process, you will receive an email from a Grant Project Specialist at the NJEDA. You may also get emails from [ChildCareFacilitiesImprovementProgram@njeda.gov](mailto:ChildCareFacilitiesImprovementProgram@njeda.gov) with other updates and information. We strongly recommend that you check your junk and spam filters to ensure that all emails from @njeda.gov are routed to your inbox.

The NJ Child Care Facilities Improvement Program – Phase 2 is a pilot grant of \$5 million to support New Jersey Registered Family Child Care homes (FCCs) with the purchase of furniture, fixtures, and equipment (FFE) that will contribute to Health, Safety and Accessibility and/or High Quality Learning Environments.

Family Child Care Homes (FCCs) are an essential component of the state's child care mixed delivery system and help to meet the varied needs of New Jersey's diverse population. FCCs are in the same neighborhoods where families live, provide culturally and linguistically appropriate care, flexible hours and often offer non-traditional hours. Investing in the quality of FCC facilities is essential to ensure that all families have access to these positive effects of quality child care. NJEDA aims to provide FCCs with support that promotes long-term

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stability and ensures that the child care environment that they provide is safe, healthy, accessible, and conducive to high-quality early learning.

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Should you have additional questions, you can also contact [CustomerCare@njeda.com](mailto:CustomerCare@njeda.com), call (844) 965-1125, or use the Customer Care chat feature found on the NJEDA website.

An FCC will need to be a NJ registered business before a grant can be approved. More information about becoming a registered business is available [here](#).



### AMOUNT

Grants between \$10,000 and \$20,000



### BENEFITS

Grants may be used to purchase furniture, fixtures, and equipment within the eligible categories of 1) Health, Safety and Accessibility and 2) High Quality Learning Environment



### ELIGIBILITY

Applicants must be registered with the NJ Department of Children and Families through their local Child Care Resource & Referral Agency

Prior to approval, applicants must be registered to do business in NJ and must provide a Tax Clearance Certificate

At time of application, applicants must enroll or have enrolled in the 12 months prior to application, at least one child receiving support through

the DHS Child  
Care Assistance  
Program (CCAP)

Offer full time  
care (a  
minimum of 6  
hours/day, 5  
days/week, 10  
months/year

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\*See below for  
more details on  
Eligibility  
Requirements.

PROGRAM DETAILS

ELIGIBILITY

AWARD SIZE

FEES

## PROGRAM DETAILS

Phase 2 will provide grants between \$10,000 – \$20,000 for the purchase of furniture, fixtures, and equipment (FFE) within the eligible categories of 1) Health, Safety and Accessibility and 2) High Quality Learning Environments. Applicants will be asked to provide a description of the requested items, why it is needed and how they will help improve these two categories.

**Please note:** This grant will not be funding any construction, repairs, renovation or installation that requires a construction contract; FFE not related to the care of children or uses not associated with health, safety, accessibility or quality of the learning environment.

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