



TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF  
**HUMAN  
SERVICES**  
*Grant Opportunities*



April 21, 2022 | Blue Oval City Community Impacts Meeting

# ***Child Care Establishment Grants***

## Qualifications/Criteria: New Agencies in the Pre-Licensure Process

- **Must be a space dedicated to the full-time provision of child care**
- **Attend Pre-Licensure orientation**
- **Complete CCR&R Small Business Academy**
- **Obtain FEIN, Use & Occupancy permit, business permit, and any other permits required to license a space (including state fire approval and environmental approval)**
- **Complete an initial inspection by a program specialist to ensure facility is suitable for childcare**
- **Complete a background check**
- **Participate in the Child Care Certificate Program upon receipt of license**

**Deadlines (if applicable): Ongoing**

**Agencies can only be referred and recommended to apply by the Child Care Services Pre-licensure Unit.**

**This grant program provides financial support to increase the licensed capacity for quality child care across the state and to help these businesses get off to a strong start with less debt. Qualifying expenses eligible for reimbursement include furniture, equipment, supply, and curriculum, consultants and coaches.**

# ***TANF Community Grants***

**Qualifications/Criteria:** The Department is looking to engage eligible public and private organizations in Tennessee with evidence-based and evidence-informed program models who can administer community-based services to meet the needs of low-income families, placing the whole family on a path to permanent economic security. The Department requires these services to be delivered in a manner that improves economic security and well-being for low-income families and fosters a more strategic use of TANF funds, specifically in the areas of:

- 1. Providing assistance to needy families so that children can be cared for in their own homes;**
- 2. Reducing the dependency of needy parents on government benefits by promoting job preparation, work, and marriage;**
- 3. Preventing and reducing the incidence of out-of-wedlock pregnancies; and**
- 4. Encouraging the formation and maintenance of two-parent families.**
  - Education;**
  - Health and well-being;**
  - Economic stability; and**
  - Safe, stable, and nurturing relationships.**

**- These grant will be available annually, with the next application cycle opening early 2023.**

# *Contact Information*

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