

CALIFORNIA CHILD CARE & DEVELOPMENT INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT PROGRAM (IGP)






In the 2020-21 and 2021-22 budget years, California allocated \$350.5 million for the Child Care and Development Infrastructure Grant Program to address the supply side of the child care crisis. The first round of funding was allocated in the 2019-20 budget but was swept back into the General Fund at the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic. The Legislature reinstated funding over the next two budget years by allocating ARPA dollars in 2020-21 and general funds in 2021-22. The Program is managed by the **California Department of Social Services (CDSS)** and administered by the **Low Income Investment Fund**. Funding is used for child care provider facility repair and renovation projects as well as new construction and major renovation.

Round 1 - Minor Renovations & Repairs

Using American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds, the first round of IGP had \$200.5 million available for minor renovation and repair projects for qualifying child care providers operating in both centers and family homes. These kinds of projects included repairing and replacing play equipment, fixing flooring, plumbing, HVAC and electrical systems, as well as shoring up fire safety features and meeting ADA requirements, among other uses.




“Receiving these funds has truly changed the overall environment of my child care center. It has allowed the children under my care to have more space to be curious and further learn about the outside world. It has also allowed me to feel more confident in the space where I conduct my work, a sense of accomplishment as well as pride has been given to me. The IGP has not only helped me as an individual but my community as well.”

-IGP Round 1 Grantee

Need	5,405 applicants	\$390 million requested
Impact	3,834 grantees	\$200.5 million awarded
	 79,903 children served	
	 800 centers	 3,034 FCCs



IGP is administered by CDSS in partnership with LIIF. Build Up California is an ECE facilities advocacy initiative of LIIF.

Need	1,848 applicants	\$666 million requested
Impact	255 grantees	\$150 million awarded
	 9,553 projected new spaces	
	 141 centers	 116 FCCs
	Expansions: 148 New sites: 108	

State general funds allocated to IGP 2 focused on new construction and major renovations to expand the number of child care spaces across the state.

Climate resilient adaptations:

- Permanent shade structures
- Heat resistant play structures & materials
- Energy efficient appliances
- Heat pumps & new HVAC systems
- Flood resistant landscaping with drainage and permeable materials

Continued need:

While California’s unprecedented investment in child care infrastructure is making it possible for child care providers to upgrade and expand their facilities, the \$1 billion requested far exceeds the \$350.5 million allocated. With no dedicated source of federal funding for early childhood infrastructure and capital projects, California must continue to lead the nation in funding child care facilities improvement and expansion through the IGP. High quality, developmentally appropriate, and climate resilient child care settings will ensure all children have a healthy and safe start.

Build Up California supports:

- Exempting IGP grants from California state income tax
- Continuing funding for the IGP, with a focus on increasing infant and toddler spaces
- Meeting climate risk needs by providing funding and incentives for child care facilities to withstand and recover from climate events

