

## Informational Webinar: School-Age Care and Engagement

October 21, 2020

## Before We Begin

- All attendees are muted
- Please send questions through the Q&A function
- Webinar recording, slides and Q&A document will be posted to our website
- Technical difficulties?
  - Send a message through Q&A and we'll do our best to help

## Today's Webinar Hosts



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## Agenda

- Overview of Caring for Colorado & School-Age Care and Engagement Funding Opportunity
- Review of grant application process
- Question and answer





**Our Vision** 

Colorado's children are happy, healthy and thriving

#### **Our Purpose**

Creating equity in health, well-being and opportunity for Colorado's children and families

### Our Focus Areas









Healthy Beginnings

Healthy Youth

Strong & Resilient Families

Public Policy
Advocacy and
Systems Change



# Caring for Colorado - Response To-Date

- Health Care Safety Net
- Family Resources and Supports
- Food Assistance
- Cash Assistance
- Mental Health & Emergency Sheltering -Youth Homelessness, Domestic Violence
- Keep the Lights on Fund Child Care
- Colorado COVID Relief Fund

#### How are the kids?

"While children are less likely to suffer the most serious health consequences from the coronavirus, they are hit harder by nearly every secondary effect of the pandemic and the efforts to contain it - - poverty, hunger, homelessness, developmental disruption and lost learning"



## Our Learnings

- Struggling to adapt to remote learning
- Digital access and connectivity equity challenges
- Difficult to replicate the social connections, engagement and learning that occur in a classroom
- Concerned about safety risks for children and the many stressors on families in this environment
- Caregivers struggle to provide a safe and structured day for their children, that also provides the consistency needed for their own employment



## School Age Care and Engagement



## Strengthen existing community-based organizations and partnerships serving children and youth that are pursuing:

- Strategies to keep students supported, engaged, motivated and learning as educational schedules are disrupted
- Strategies to enhance social and emotional engagement,
   with connections to mental health supports as needed

#### Awards will be:

- Up to \$25,000 over a six-month period
- Supportive of both operational and personnel expenses
- Funded through CFC's COVID Relief and Recovery program

## Eligible Entities



- Non-profit 501(c)3 Community Based Providers (for example, Youth-Focused Non-Profit, Out-of-School Time Provider, etc.)
  - Applications should be focused on specific sites if the entity represents a network of providers
- Collaborative Partnerships working across a community to support student engagement and safe spaces for youth
- Individual schools

- Organizations currently receiving or under-consideration for funding from CFC are eligible to apply
- Fiscally sponsored projects are eligible to apply

## School Age Care and Engagement - Criteria

- Serving children and youth in a community where schools are:
  - Offering full or hybrid remote learning
  - Experiencing high levels of student disengagement
  - Serving k-12 students with **higher levels of FRL, minimum of 65%** (may also use or substitute Medicaid, TANF or other public benefit program edibility to substantiate)
- Be a trusted partner in the community with a focus on youth engagement and a commitment to inclusion and equity
- Be currently focused on youth services amidst COVID disruption
- Follow health and safety protocols in alignment with state and local guidance
- Certify licensure for services offered, if appropriate, or certify a policy related to child safety (must include background checks for staff/employees)
- Operate 10 hours or more per week on an ongoing basis and provide regularly scheduled, structured and supervised activities
- Offer services with no or low fees.

## **Grant Application Process**

## Electronic Grant Application Timeline

- REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Entities applying for this funding complete a registration in CFC's grants management system by 5:00pm on Thursday, October 29, 2020.
- 2. APPLICATION DEADLINE: Applications, including required documentation, submitted by 5:00pm on Thursday, November 5, 2020.
- **3. APPLICATION DECISIONS**: Applicants will be notified of funding decisions via email on **December 3, 2020**.

## Electronic Grant Application Process

- Register for an account in CFC's grants management system:
  - If you already have an account, update the entities contact information for this request
  - It can take up to 3 business days to process a registration. Entities can work on application materials while a registration is being processed.
- Following registration, log-in and complete the application fields, which include organizational details and a summary of the project
- Complete the required attachments and upload to the system
  - Proposal Narrative
  - Copy of Licensure for Services or Approved Policy Statement on Child Safety Protocols
  - YTD/Interim Financial Statement & Annual Financial Statements

## **Question and Answer**

## Thank you!

Contact us directly at <a href="mailto:grants@caringforcolorado.org">grants@caringforcolorado.org</a> with other questions. Please state "School Age Engagement and Care" in the subject line.