Frequently Asked Questions

1. How long will the childcare grant application period be open?
   Applications will be accepted between Monday, September 14, 2020, 12:00 p.m., and Friday, September 25, 2020, 12:00 p.m.

2. How will applicants be selected for these specific childcare grants?
   The selection process will happen via lottery. Applicants will be selected in the order ranked per lottery process.

3. Is there specific jurisdiction for applicants?
   Licensed childcare applicants must be in Los Angeles County, excluding the City of Los Angeles, and have been impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

4. What is the difference between a Childcare Center and a Family Childcare Home?
   A licensed Childcare Center is usually located in a commercial building, whereas a Family Childcare Home is typically located in the licensee’s own home. Licensed Childcare Centers also include those operated on school sites and in faith-based settings whereas Family Childcare Home reflect a home-like environment.

5. What constitutes as a Small or Large Family Childcare Home?
   A Small Family Childcare Home are licensed to provide care for up to eight children whereas a Large Family Childcare Home are licensed to provide for up to 14 children.

6. Are there any eligibility requirements for this Childcare Grant?
   The Childcare Applicant must complete a W-9 and sign grant agreement as well as be in a good standing with the Community Care Licensing Division (CCLD); and submit a complete application, including requested documentation, by the posted due date.

7. How do I know if my business is ineligible for the Childcare Grant?
   Applicants with Type A violations and/or suspended facility license in any age group with the CCLD will not be eligible as well as applicants who have already
received assistance from Los Angeles County Development Authority (LACDA) programs through the Supervisorial District 4 Grant Program.

8. **What are the maximum grants that will be awarded to applicants?**
The maximum award that will be granted to licensed child care facilities will be as follows:
- Childcare Centers will receive a maximum amount of $40,000,
- Family Childcare Homes will receive a maximum amount of $10,000.

9. **How many Childcare grants will the LACDA be distributing?**
The LACDA will be administering 225 grants in total. One hundred fifty (150) grants will be allocated to Family Childcare Homes, and 75 grants will be distributed to Childcare Centers.

10. **How do these funds need to be utilized once applicant is approved?**
Once funds are distributed to Childcare, they must be used in the following ways:
- Employee payroll,
- Payroll for employee’s sick time,
- Working capital to continue operations,
- Payment of outstanding business expenses,
- And/or adaptive business practices needed to remain open due to COVID-19.

11. **If COVID-19 did not impact my business will I still qualify for this grant?**
Applicant must show that the business was impacted by COVID-19 through a hardship statement including a description about closure and reduction in revenue.

12. **Does my business need to provide a license of any kind?**
Applicant must provide a business license, and state license reflecting the childcare facility address/location.

13. **Am I eligible for this grant if I’ve received other LACDA assistance?**
Applicants that have already received assistance from LACDA programs such as Small Business Recovery Loan and Metro-Transit Orientated Community are eligible for this grant. Applicants that received assistance by Supervisorial District 4 Grant Program will not be eligible.

14. **Do I need to pay this grant money back to the LACDA?**
No, you do not need to pay this money back to the LACDA because it is not a loan, but a grant. There are other requirements you must follow after accepting the grant funds including submitting reports and data on how the money was used for the childcare facility.

15. **What documents will I need to apply?**
Please ensure you have the following documents ready to submit, in PDF files:
- Government-issued photo identification for each owner or principle officer of the business;
- 2018 Federal Business Taxes;
- 2019 Federal Business Taxes;
- Lease agreement or Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for childcare site;
- 501 (c)3 Letter (if applicable);
- Business License (if applicable);
- Facility License Number(s) for each age group the childcare facility is licensed for;
- Hardship statement describing how the business was impacted by COVID-19 including description about closure and reduction in revenue; and
- Brief description of the childcare facility.