



# Make Way for Kids

Expanding Access to High-Quality Child Care in Vermont Communities through Grants and Technical Assistance

Program  
Goal:

**500**

NEW high-quality child care spaces in Vermont communities every year through two strategies:



## Program Expansion and Start-Up Assistance

Providing short-term financial support and technical assistance for local expansion, quality improvement or program start-up. Eligible applicants include:

- Organizations, schools or agencies with projects or programs designed to increase the capacity of high-quality child care/early education for children ages birth through five years.
- Organizations, schools or agencies that currently operate or plan to operate a licensed child care/early education program.
- Currently registered family child care programs planning to expand to a licensed program.
- Individuals planning to open a registered family child care.
- **Grant application deadline: February 22, 2018**

## Workforce Development

Providing support to child care providers working to develop their professional skills and pursue professional qualifications. Supports include:

- Coaching and guidance on traditional and alternative pathways to ECE teacher licensure, connections to resources, and access to online educator portfolio platforms for Peer Review candidates seeking ECE/ECSE teaching licenses.
- Technical assistance for child care programs seeking to improve staff recruitment and retention, including strategy development and comprehensive program and policy review and assessment.
- Connections to local and regional early childhood networks and professional development opportunities.

**Vermont  
Birth to  
Five**

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