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Subject: [EXTERNAL] pandemic financial resources for parents
Attachments: In-home care grant flyer (003).pdf; School-aged grant flyer.pdf

Parents face difficult choices and challenges as a result of the pandemic. There are a couple of recent CARES Act grants that might be of interest to County employees and Ravalli County parents. Your help getting the word out in Ravalli County would be greatly appreciated.

The first, the In Home Care Grant is administered by Child Care Resources. It's for families facing special circumstances that make in home care for kids ages 0-18 a better option than group settings like school or child care – for example a member of the household has a medical condition that puts them at significant risk, or a child has a special need or learning disability that means they need support for remote learning. I know there is limited school age care available throughout Ravalli County so that might qualify a family as well. Foster families and kinship families (grandparents raising grandkids for example) qualify. The grants are \$4,000 and we can turn them around quickly. Income is not part of the application process – it's all about the special circumstance. However, CCR certainly wants to reach families with limited financial resources. The application is here <https://www.childcareresources.org/parent/>. It's simple and we are happy to help.

The second is a grant for businesses, nonprofits, government entities that want to offer school age care. This is for programs that are offering school age care, for example if a church wanted to offer school age care during the pandemic. It could cover a program created by parents but they will need an employer tax ID # and should probably register the business with the state. Or, the application could run through the business of one of the parents. The county certainly could launch a school age program for the children of county employees. This grant is managed by the state so the turnaround will be longer. It requires that 25% of the kids be low income, but there is no definition of low income. My guess is that there are county employees who are accessing the free/reduced school lunch program or other services, perhaps because they are single parents and have a few kids. We have asked for a definition of low income and hope to have an answer later this week. Applications for this program are at <https://commerce.mt.gov/Coronavirus-Relief>

Attached are flyers that could be posted in county offices or shared with employees.

Please call our office if you have any questions. Thanks for your help!

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Does your family have a special circumstance where your child is unable to attend child care/school and needs in-home care? Funding is available [here](#)!
Do you operate a school-age program or want to start a new program? Grants are available [here](#)!

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IN-HOME CHILD CARE GRANT FOR FAMILIES

\$4,000 Scholarship

No income limit

Apply today!

Parents and guardians, do you have children ages 0-18 who cannot return to child care or school during the pandemic due to special circumstances? This might include:

- Unique work schedule
- Compromised health of a family member
- Children with special needs
- Foster or kinship family with unique in-home needs
- No group care available in rural area

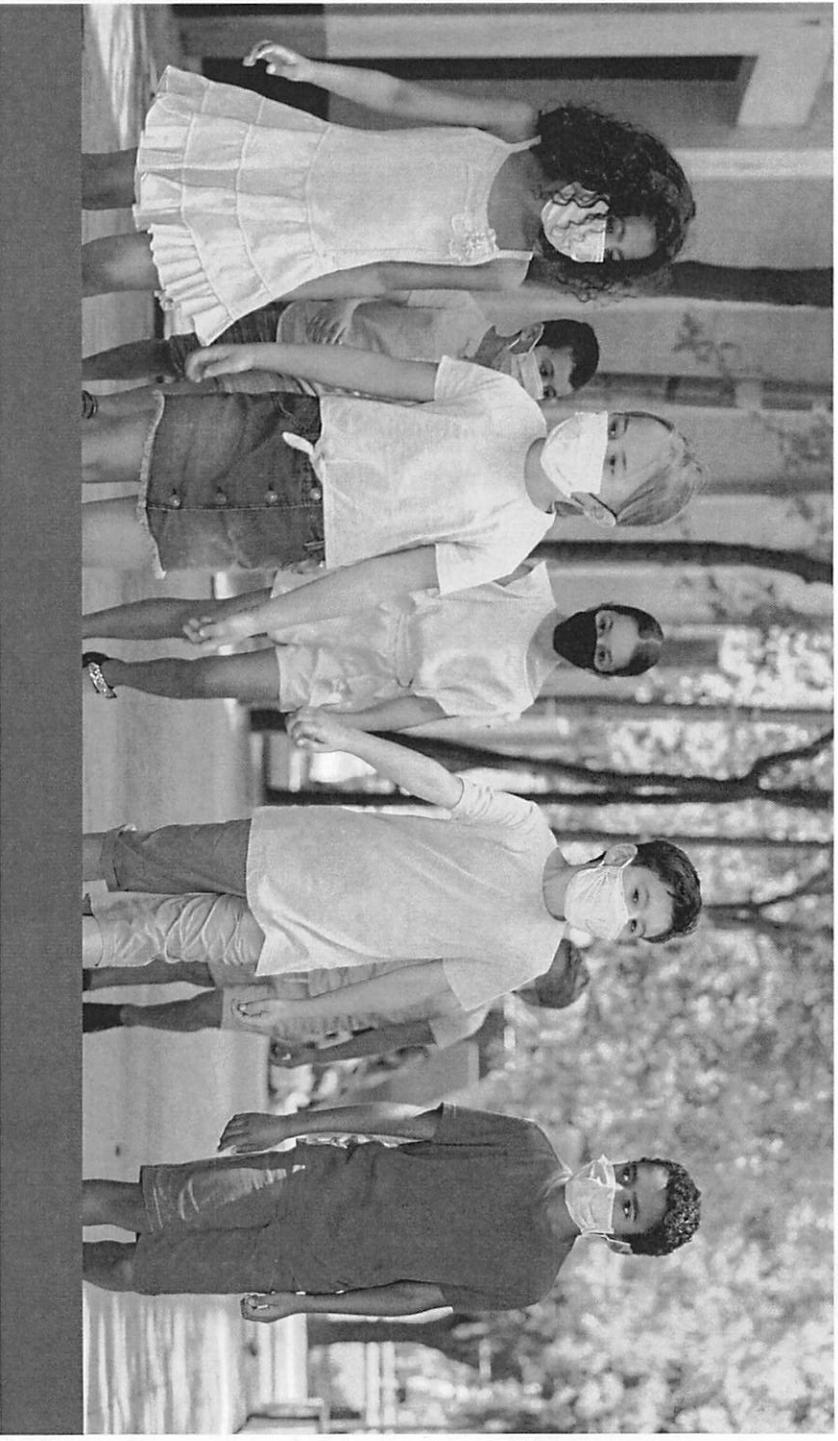
Scholarships are available for families with special circumstances that make group care difficult or impossible to find. For families in Ravalli, Mineral, or Missoula County, this scholarship is administered by Child Care Resources. Please visit our website or contact us if you have any questions!



APPLICATION & MORE INFORMATION:
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Grants are available to organizations offering programs for school-aged children to meet the needs of working parents during out-of-school or after-school time!

SCHOOL-AGED CHILD CARE GRANT

Eligible programs include for-profit and non-profit organizations, school districts, community organizations, summer camps, and licensed child care programs that serve children ages 5-18 during out-of-school time during the pandemic. Programs must serve at least 25% low-income children.

— \$1,000 per child/month —

This grant is administered by DPHHS.

Apply today!

*Interested in starting up a new school-aged program to meet this community need?
Contact Child Care Resources today for more information!*



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