New York received $469 million in supplemental CCDBG funding through the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, passed in December 2020. This is in addition to $164 million in supplemental CCDBG funding the state received in the CARES Act, passed in March 2020.

States were required to submit a plan for their use of CRRSA funds to the Department of Health and Human Services by February 26, 2021. On February 25, the state outlined its planned use of funds.

Support for providers. The state surveyed more than 10,000 child care providers to determine their greatest concerns, their operating status, and need for PPE in the months ahead. The number one concern identified by programs was decreased enrollment, and that providers had about 40% enrollment. Therefore, the state will be offering Child Care Business Continuity Grants for all open providers, based on provider type, and ranging from $2,000 to $10,000 per program. These funds may be used for increased operating costs, PPE, and increasing staff needs or requirements. An add on to the grant is available to partially pay for tuition recovery from programs facing decreased enrollment due to the crisis. Child care centers can claim for up to 25 unenrolled slots, group family child care up to eight slots, and family child care providers up to four slots.

The state also plans to offer resources, supplies, and/or technical assistance to providers to support health and safety practices.

Support for parents. The state will offer Essential Worker Scholarships, which will cover the child care costs of essential workers at an average cost of $250/week for 40 weeks.

More information available here, including how the state spent its CARES Act funding in 2020.