



Oklahoma's Use of CRRSA Child Care Funding

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Oklahoma received **\$151 million** in supplemental CCDBG funding through the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, passed in December 2020. This is in addition to **\$50 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. The state submitted a letter to HHS describing how it plans to spend its supplemental funding, though specific details including funding amounts for each project were not included.

Support for providers. Oklahoma intends to offer business training resources for providers to build expertise in planning and budgeting to prepare for ongoing COVID impact. It also will offer child care quality and sustainability payments to all providers based on capacity and star quality level.

For providers serving subsidy children, the state will continue to offer a \$5 increase to the subsidy rate, per child, per day, based on attendance. All school-aged children will be approved for the weekly rate, regardless of any absences.

Support for parents. Oklahoma will offer a variety of supports for parents participating in the state's subsidy program:

- Covering of copayments for families, paid directly to providers;
- Continuing to offer the Kith.care (in-home care) service, provided for designated essential health care employees and other emergency responders; and
- Offering 60 days of child care subsidies for those unemployed due to COVID-19 and currently looking to re-engage in the workforce.

More information available [here](#), including how the [state spent its CARES Act funding in 2020](#).