



Hawaii's Use of CRRSA Child Care Funding

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Hawaii received **\$33 million** in supplemental CCDBG funding from the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, passed in December 2020. This is in addition to **\$12 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 23, the state submitted a letter to HHS regarding how the state anticipates spending the supplemental funds.

Support for providers. Hawaii plans to offer grants to all providers to support the continuity of operations, prevent closures, support the reopening of child care facilities, and cover additional costs or supplies to meet health and safety requirements. The state will also identify opportunities to offer professional development opportunities for child care providers and their staff.

Support for families. Child care subsidies will be available to health care sector employees, emergency responders, and other essential workers. The state will continue to temporarily waive income eligibility requirements and activity requirements for families; waive family co-payments; and allow subsidy payments to hold a child's spot in case the provider must temporarily close. Because many schools have not resumed full-time in-person learning, the state is allowing reimbursement for full-time care for school-aged children who are being cared for while their school is engaged in distanced learning.

More information available [here](#), including how the [state spent its CARES Act funding in 020](#).