**$1,000 Hiring and Retention Bonus Grant**

The Hiring and Retention Bonus Grant is reopening for applications on Tuesday, November 1, 2022. Applications will be accepted through Sunday, December 4, 2022.

**General Grant Eligibility**

If you are a licensed child care center provider, your program may be eligible for these grants if you are:

* Open and operating;
* In compliance with federal Child Care Development Block Grant (CCDBG) health and safety requirements (criminal background check and [health and safety trainings](https://www.childcarenj.gov/Providers/Training));
* In good standing with New Jersey’s Licensing, Manual of Requirements and Child Care Assistance Program (such as appropriately awarded and issued payment to eligible staff from previous hiring and retention grants).

Family child care providers may be eligible, if you are:

* A registered Family Child Care Provider;
* In compliance with federal Child Care Development Block Grant (CCDBG) health and safety requirements (criminal background check and [health and safety trainings](https://www.childcarenj.gov/Providers/Training));
* In good standing with New Jersey’s Registration, Manual of Requirements;
* Open and operating at time of application;
* Have children enrolled.

**Qualified Staff**

* Responsible for directly working with children (care, supervision or instruction);
* Registered in the Workforce Registry through NJCCIS (New Jersey Child Care Information System);
* Have completed [required CCDBG Trainings](https://www.childcarenj.gov/Providers/Training) (including Health, Safety, and Child Growth and Development/Mandated Reporting: Basic Requirements for Licensing and First Aid and Pediatric CPR Training; and
* Have completed a comprehensive criminal background check.

For more information on New Jersey’s $1,000 Hiring and Retention Bonus Grant, visit www.ChildCareNJ.gov.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

It is imperative that staff complete required trainings prior to submission of application. For assistance uploading Professional Development documentation and/or certifications into the Workforce Registry, please click [here](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7F74Wcpb9gg).

Also, additional funds are included in the grant to offset required payroll taxes to allow for staff to receive a total of $1,000.