

Child Care Restoration Grants Extension



Illinois has been awarded financial aid to support child care through the latest federal relief package passed by the US Congress. Unlike the Child Care Restoration Grants (CCRG) in 2020, these funds will flow directly through the Illinois Department of Human Services. We know our state's recovery relies on the economic survival of our child care system. The continuation of the Child Care Restoration Grants is designed to help sustain child care as the economy continues to reopen.

Round One – January, February, and March 2021

- Grants were retroactive to January 2021 and covered the months of January, February, and March 2021.
- CCRG round one grant applications have closed.
- Programs found eligible were paid 80% of the current monthly grant amount.
- Checks were mailed to eligible programs on May 5 and May 26, 2021.

Round Two – April, May, and June 2021

- Grants covered expenses from April, May, and June 2021.
- CCRG round two grant applications have closed.
- Programs found eligible were paid 80% of the current monthly grant amount.
- Checks began mailing in June and will continue mailing once funding is received.

Round Three – July, August, and September 2021

- Grant applications and renewal opt-ins open Monday, August 16, 2021, and close Wednesday, September 15, 2021.
- Grants will cover expenses from July, August, and September 2021.
- Programs found eligible will be paid 60% of the current monthly grant amount.
- Grant funding is based off a program's capacity on July 1, 2021.

Round Four – October, November, and December 2021

- Grant applications and renewal opt-ins open on Monday, October 18, 2021, and close on Wednesday, December 15, 2021.
- Grants will cover expenses from October, November, and December 2021.
- Programs found eligible will be paid 40% of the current monthly grant amount.
- Grant funding is based off a program's capacity on October 1, 2021.

Round Five Extension – January, February, March, April, May, and June 2022

- Grant applications were open February 2, 2022 – February 25, 2022.
- Grants will cover expenses from January, February, March, April, May, and June 2022.
- Programs found eligible will be paid 30% of the full monthly grant amount.
- Grant funding is based off a program's capacity on January 1, 2022.

How To Apply

- The Illinois Network of Child Care Resource and Referral Agencies (INCCRRA) will administer the CCRG program in the same way they did for the CCRG 2020.
 - INCCRRA will provide technical assistance through their website and via email throughout the life of the CCRG. Email ccrg@inccrra.org with questions.
- Once a program has access to the Registry Director Portal you will see an option to apply for CCRG. If your program meets the eligibility requirements above and you do not have the option to apply, please email ccrg@inccrra.org for technical assistance.
- All applicants will need to sign a [Round Five Attestation](#) - confirming the information they provide is true and accurate, and they agree to meet the terms and conditions of the grant agreement.
- The following items are required to complete a new grant application.
 - Access to the [Gateways Registry Director Portal](#)
 - A [DUNs number](#)
 - [Completed W9](https://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/fw9.pdf) <https://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/fw9.pdf>
 - [CCRG Attestation Round Five - \(Spanish\)](#)
 - For centers only – an Illinois Secretary of State [Certificate of Good Standing](#)

The following items are required to complete an opt-in.

- Read, sign, and upload a new round three attestation. Pay careful attention as items in the round five attestation have changed.
- Opt-in for round five even if you have not received a round four check.
- Complete Monthly reporting for grant checks you have received.

What to Expect

- CCRG Counselors will review your application or opt-in for round five funding.
- If items are missing or incorrect counselors will email the grant contact email address that you provided when applying. Programs will have two weeks to provide additional required information or documentation.
- The grant contact will receive an email when application eligibility is determined.
- It could take several weeks after you receive your approved email for a grant check to mail.
- You will also receive an email the day your round five grant check mails.

For more information visit <https://www.ilgateways.com/financial-opportunities/restoration-grants> and for questions email ccrg@inccrra.org.