

## **Revenue Replacement Grant Frequently Asked Questions**

### **What is the Revenue Replacement Grant?**

The revenue replacement grant opportunity is designed to provide financial assistance to DCF enrolled child care providers and relative providers who have lost child care subsidy income due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The funding is provided by the Kansas Department for Children and Families through the federal CARES Act and administered by Child Care Aware of Kansas.

### **Who qualifies for the Revenue Replacement Grant?**

All DCF subsidy enrolled providers will be eligible to receive this payment if they experience a measured decrease in subsidy payments, including school age programs and Head Start programs. Child care providers who are open or who have closed temporarily are eligible. Relative providers who have remained open are eligible.

### **What can I use this money for?**

Any items on an operating budget such as: enrollment, food, supplies, labor, benefits, rent/mortgage, maintenance, equipment, utilities, licensing fees, mileage, outreach materials, office supplies, professional development, phone/internet, classroom supplies, liability/accident insurance, and software. It is required that a portion of the funds be utilized to continue to pay the salaries and wages of staff employed through the licensed child care facility.

### **I am a relative provider enrolled with DCF, do I qualify?**

Yes, you may qualify for the grants if you have continued providing care for your relatives but have experienced a decrease in payments. Call Child Care Aware or go to their website for application information

<https://www.ks.childcareaware.org/> or 1-855-750-3343

### **How will the amount of benefit be determined?**

Each individual month from April until July 2020 will be compared to the DCF payments the provider normally received by using an average from September 2019 through February 2020. These figures will be used to determine if they started receiving less in DCF Child Care assistance payments and to determine the amount they may receive in the revenue replacement grant.

**Is there a deadline to apply?**

The deadline to apply for all Hero Relief Program grants is August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020.

**An extension to the original August 1, 2020, deadline has been extended to September 15, 2020.**

**How long will I receive these benefits?**

Monthly payments will be made to replace revenue lost in April, May, June, and July 2020. The first round of payments will be to replace revenue lost in April, with subsequent payments in the first part of the month following the lost revenue.

**How will I be notified if I am eligible to receive the Revenue Replacement grant?**

Child Care Aware of Kansas will identify eligible child care providers in their database and communicate by email. Eligible child care providers not identified in the database will be notified by mail.

**How will benefits be paid?**

All grant awards will be deposited into your account of choice. If no account is available, a check will be mailed.

**Where do I find the application?**

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