

Family, Friend and Neighbor Caregiver Supports

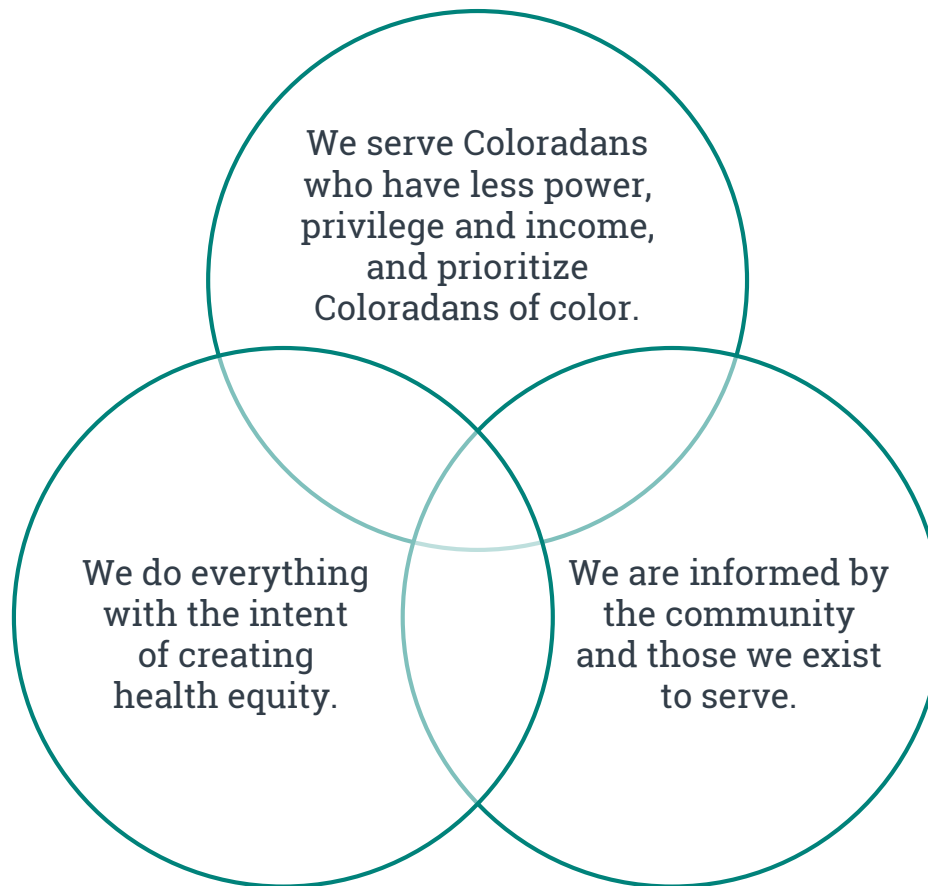
A FUNDING OPPORTUNITY



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Cornerstones of Our Work

THE PROMISE OF OUR WORK, AND THAT WHICH WE EXPECT FROM OUR PARTNERS



Funding Priorities



EQUITY AT THE HEART

- Primary Care
- Children Move More

- Early Childhood Social-Emotional Development
- Youth and Young Adult Resiliency
- Adult Recovery

- Community Solutions
- Food Access and Security
- Affordable Housing

- Advocacy
- Capacity Building

Cross-Cutting Effort: Locally-Focused Work



Focus Area: Nurture Healthy Minds

What are we doing in this area? We are addressing the behavioral health needs of our state by fostering the social-emotional development of children, equipping youth and young adults with resiliency skills, and giving adults – with mental health and substance abuse challenges – continued support on their recovery journey.

What are our priorities?

We focus our work on the three following priorities:

- **Early Childhood Social-Emotional Development**
- Youth and Young Adult Resiliency
- Adult Recovery



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Priority: Early Childhood Social-Emotional Development

Enhance services and supports that foster social-emotional development and resiliency of young children.



The Funding Opportunity



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We know that inequities exist in early child care...

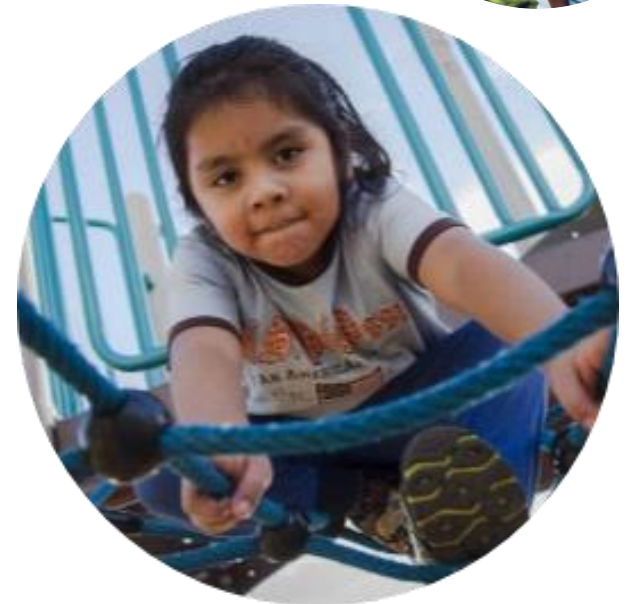
For Children and Families

- Limited access to early child care
- Limited spaces in early child care centers



For Family, Friends and Neighbors (FFN)

- 60% - 90% of children in the organic network of FFN
- FFN providers not typically engaged in the early childhood ecosystem



What is FFN care?



Family, Friend and Neighbor (FFN) care is home-based early child care – in the caregiver’s or child’s home – provided by caregivers who are relatives (e.g., grandparents, aunts and uncles, elders or older siblings), friends, neighbors, babysitters, nannies or parents supporting other children in addition to their own. This type of child care takes place outside of an early child care center, program or family child care (FCC) home.





Family, Friend and Neighbor Caregiver Supports

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY OVERVIEW

CHF will support FFN caregivers to build their networks, increase access to information and resources and provide professional development in support of building stable, responsive relationships with children in their care.



Eligible applicants
will work with FFN
caregivers serving
Coloradans living on
low income and
those historically
experiencing less
power and privilege.



Funding Criteria

ORGANIZATIONS MUST MEET THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA

Align with our cornerstones and promote conditions for healthy social-emotional development and resilience of young children

Establish the ability to outreach and engage the FFN caregiver population and utilize strong social and community networks

Ensure capacity to offer culturally relevant program infrastructure and services

Include FFN caregivers and/or families who serve in advisory and/or co-designer roles

← **ARRAY OF FFN PROGRAMMING** →



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Funding Criteria

OUR CRITERIA FOCUS

CHF is looking to support efforts that address one or more of the following:

1. Grow an understanding of healthy child social-emotional development and culturally relevant strategies while children are in their care
2. Have improved access to culturally relevant resources in their communities to support their work and the families they serve
3. Establish practices to foster strong partnerships with parents of the children that are in their care
4. Enhance family, friend and neighbor caregiver ability to manage stress and support their own mental well-being



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Funding Preference

PROGRAMS OR PROJECTS WE'RE INTERESTED IN FUNDING

- Focus on building the strength of caregivers
- Consider FFN caregiver well-being.
- Builds on the strengths of families and caregivers.
- Consider how trauma may impact families and caregivers.
- Based on input from caregivers, info on local needs and lessons.
- Consider multiple ways to reach caregivers to overcome barriers.



Examples of Activities We're Interested In

PROGRAMS OR PROJECTS WE'RE INTERESTED IN FUNDING

Activities we're interested in supporting:

- ❖ Planning and outreach efforts to grow understanding of local FFN capacity and needs
- ❖ Established early childhood training programs made available to FFN caregivers
- ❖ Strategies that eliminate geographic barriers or barriers to in-person connections as a result of COVID-19
- ❖ Efforts to leverage existing infrastructure to extend to FFN caregivers
- ❖ Home visitation programs for FFN homes (Virtual or in person)
- ❖ Group training programs (Virtual or in person)
- ❖ Support groups (Virtual or in person)



Examples of Efforts We're Interested In

PROGRAMS OR PROJECTS WE'RE INTERESTED IN FUNDING

SOCIAL-EMOTIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- Knowledge of healthy childhood development, including strategies to advance social-emotional development of young children

MENTAL HEALTH

- Supporting family, friend and neighbor caregivers' understanding of trauma and mental health, and bolstering their own well-being

RESOURCES

- Raising awareness of and connections to available resources to support caregivers and families receiving child care

FAMILY ENGAGEMENT & CARE DELIVERY

- Practices to support positive relationships with families and sustainable care delivery



Need-to-Know Grant Info

GRANT TERM LENGTH: Up to two years

GRANT AWARD RANGE: \$50K - \$150K

GRANT DECISION: Mid-September

**GRANT
DEADLINE:**

- June 15, 2021



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