

Childcare Start-Up Grants - 2026

Wyoming Community Foundation

Business and Request Information

Business supports are available from [The Wyoming Early Childhood Professional Learning Collaborative](#), [WY Small Business Development Center](#), and the [Wyoming Women's Business Center](#). We strongly encourage you to reach out to these organizations to strengthen your application for funding.

To be eligible, you must be one of the following. Please select all that apply to you:*

Choices

My childcare business is licensed.

My childcare business is working toward licensure.

I currently accept DFS childcare assistance.

Name of Childcare Business:*

Character Limit: 250

Primary Contact Name*

Character Limit: 250

Childcare Business Street Address, if applicable:

Character Limit: 250

Project Name*

This can summarize your project or needs.

Character Limit: 100

Amount Requested*

Funding is available until depleted. **The maximum request amount is \$20,000.** Requests above that will not be considered.

Character Limit: 20

Please select the county in which your childcare business operates or will operate within:*

Choices

Albany

Big Horn

Campbell

Carbon

Converse
Crook
Fremont
Goshen
Hot Springs
Johnson
Laramie
Lincoln
Natrona
Niobrara
Park
Platte
Sheridan
Sublette
Sweetwater
Teton
Uinta
Washakie
Weston

If you operate in more than one county, explain your geographic reach.

Character Limit: 500

What is your business type?*

Choices

In-home
Center-based
Other

Do you accept subsidies from DFS?*

Choices

Yes
No
Not Sure

Is this a new childcare business?*

Businesses operating for one year or less will be considered new/start-ups for the purposes of this application.

Choices

Yes
No

Business Type - Other

If other, describe your business type:*

If your business is not in-home or center-based, describe your business type.

Character Limit: 250

New Childcare Business

***Businesses operating for one year or less will be considered new/start-ups for the purpose of this application.**

Describe your need for funding.*

As a new/start-up childcare business, please describe the need for these funds to open or expand your new business and help ensure long-term childcare stability in your community. How would a one-time grant support your goals in a sustainable way?

Character Limit: 3000

Are you operating yet?*

Choices

Yes

No

New Child Care Business Children Currently Served

How many infants do you serve?*

Character Limit: 4

How many toddlers do you serve?*

Character Limit: 4

How many children (excluding infants and toddlers) do you serve?*

Character Limit: 4

Existing Childcare Business

Describe your need for funding.*

As an existing business, please describe how these funds will help increase the number of children and families you serve, and/or help ensure long-term childcare stability in your community. How would a one-time grant support your goals in a sustainable way?

Character Limit: 3000

How long has your childcare business been operating?*

Character Limit: 250

How many infants do you serve?*

Character Limit: 4

How many toddlers do you serve?*

Character Limit: 4

How many children (excluding infants and toddlers) do you serve?*

Character Limit: 4

Are you planning to expand your business in the near future?*

Choices

Yes

No

Expanding business

If funded, how many additional infants do you anticipate serving?*

Character Limit: 4

If funded, how many additional toddlers do you anticipate serving?*

Character Limit: 4

If funded, how many additional children (excluding infants and toddlers) do you anticipate serving?*

Character Limit: 4

New Childcare Business Not Operating Yet

When do you anticipate offering your services to children and families?*

Character Limit: 250

How many infants do you anticipate serving?*

Character Limit: 4

How many toddlers do you anticipate serving?*

Character Limit: 4

How many children (excluding infants and toddlers) do you anticipate serving?*

Character Limit: 4

Attachments and Documents

If available, please upload your business plan.

Organizations with business plans will be prioritized.

File Size Limit: 13 MB

Please upload your yearly budget. Include income and expenses.*

If you have not yet been operating for one full year, provide your monthly expenses multiplied by 12 to give an approximation of a yearly budget.

File Size Limit: 3 MB

Please upload a list of requested items and costs.*

If this is a capital request, include an estimate(s) from a contractor. This document must include the total dollar amount for all requested items.

File Size Limit: 3 MB

Upload a P&L statement or fiscal year end statement.*

The financial statement uploaded must represent your most recently completed fiscal year. If your business has not yet completed a full fiscal year, bank statements will suffice. If your business is not yet operating, upload a Word document stating your business is not yet open.

File Size Limit: 3 MB

Did you apply for the Childcare Startup Grant in 2025?*

Choices

Yes

No

You have reached the end of this application.

If you require technical assistance, reach out to Allison Anderson at allison@wycf.org or 307-721-8300. If you have any additional attachments that you would like to include in your application, please email these attachments to Allison.

If you have any other questions regarding this application or program, reach out to Micah Richardson at micah@wycf.org or 307-721-8300.

Did you apply for the Childcare Startup Grant in 2025?

Did you receive business support services?*

Examples of support services would include the Small Business Development Center (SBDC), DFS assistance, or similar resources.

Choices

Yes

No

Describe the business support services you received.*

If you did not receive business support services please note this in the box below.

Character Limit: 250