Grant Priorities for 2019 Child Care Services Grants

**Metro**

**Anoka**

1) Materials, activities, strategies, assessment, and curriculum development to promote social/emotional, physical, and intellectual development in all children.

2) Materials, activities and facility development/upgrades that promote emergency preparedness to support safety and security in your program.

3) Professional development in content areas specific to one’s own program and personal development. Attention will be given to non-required courses, coaching, or mentoring.

**Dakota**

1) Promote social and emotional skills in all children.

2) Promote health and fitness in your program.

3) Promote advancement of your professional development (such as resource books, training, and mentoring) in the areas of language development, literacy, and environment.

**Hennepin**

1) Materials, activities and professional development to support school readiness across ALL learning domains.

2) Materials, activities and professional development to support and/or increase infant/toddler care.

3) Materials, activities and professional development to support inclusive care.

**Ramsey**

1) Activities and materials that promote or enhance literacy for children and families.

2) Promote social and emotional skills in all children.

3) Activities, materials, and education that promote awareness of kids with special needs.

**Scott/Carver**

1) Activities and materials that promote large / small muscle development.

2) Activities and materials that promote health and safety.

3) Activities and materials that promote social and emotional skills development.
Washington

1) Activities and materials which support STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math)

2) Materials that will promote lesson plans and strategies to increase the quality of culturally responsive care and cultural awareness in your program

3) Promote social and emotional skills in all children

MNTRECC

If you are licensed by a tribal government or serve American Indian children, the following priorities apply to grants provided by MNTRECC.

1) Describe how your requests support school readiness, infant through school age in areas such as literacy, social and emotional growth, science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) including curriculum and assessment support pieces.

2) Describe how arts and music materials you purchase will enhance or increase culturally responsive creativity outcomes.

3) Describe how equipment and materials will promote health, safety and emergency preparedness, nutrition or fitness.

Northeast

Regional priorities for Regions 3, 5, 7E. Includes the following counties: Aitkin, Carleton, Cass, Chisago, Cook, Crow Wing, Isanti, Itasca, Kanabec, Koochiching, Lake, Mille Lacs, Morrison, Pine, St. Louis, Todd, Wadena

1) Requests that include one or more of the following: equipment or items that will address children's physical well-being - examples: health, safety, nutrition/fitness, special needs (items for accessibility), security improvements (fences, gates, locks), including emergency preparedness, locks and/or containers to keep hazardous items out of reach.

2) Requests that include participation in approved Professional Development opportunities, including classes, face to face, online, and conferences; CDA; MN Credential (include the cost of training in grant application). Create a “wish list” of items, resources and/or training and explain how these items meet a priority/priorities.

3) Requests that include one or more of the following: curriculum and assessment tools, items addressing behavior management, social-emotional development and mental health support for children of all ages.

Northwest

Regional priorities for Regions 1, 2, and 3. Includes the following counties: Kittson, Marshall, Norman, Pennington, Polk, Red Lake, Roseau, Beltrami, Clearwater, Hubbard, Lake of the Woods, Mahnomen, Becker, Clay, Douglas, Grant, Otter Tail, Pope, Stevens, Traverse, Wilkin.

1) Grant requests that support health and safety in child care settings.

2) Grant requests for indoor and outdoor play equipment.

3) Grant requests that support the mental health of young children.
Southern

Regional priorities for Regions 9 and 10. Includes the following counties: **Blue Earth, Brown, Dodge, Faribault, Fillmore, Freeborn, Goodhue, Houston, Le Sueur, Martin, Mower, Nicollet, Olmsted, Rice, Sibley, Steele, Wabasha, Waseca, Watonwan, Winona**.

1) Requests from providers who have not been awarded a grant in the past 5 years.
2) Requests for increase capacity: i.e. non-standard hours, infant care, change in license status to increase capacity.
3) Requests that promote the development of the whole child: i.e. social emotional, cognitive, language and physical.

West Central

Regional priorities for Regions 6E, 6W, and 8. Includes the following counties: **Big Stone, Chippewa, Cottonwood, Jackson, Kandiyohi, Lac Qui Parle, Lincoln, Lyon, McLeod, Meeker, Murray, Nobles, Pipestone, Redwood, Renville, Rock, Swift, Yellow Medicine**.

1) Items for the care of infants and toddlers.
2) Technology items for professional use including laptops, tablets, desktop computers, printers.
3) Items that will improve the health and/or safety of the program.

Regional priorities for Region 7W. Includes the following counties: **Benton, Sherburne, Stearns, Wright**

1) Items for the care of infants and toddlers.
2) Requests for training and/or professional development.
3) Items that will improve the health and/or safety of the program.