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Navajo Department of Child Care and Development Awards
\$946,659.00 in ARP Child Care Stabilization Grants

Window Rock, Ariz. – The Navajo Department of Child Care and Development (DCCD) is proud to announce the successful distribution of 212 Child Care Stabilization Grants, totaling \$946,659.00 for 4th Quarter (*July – September 2025*) to Independent Care and Relative Care Providers across the Navajo Nation.

These grants were made possible through the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act's Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF) Stabilization Grant, designed to provide financial assistance to child care providers recovering from the economic impacts of the COVID-19 public health emergency.

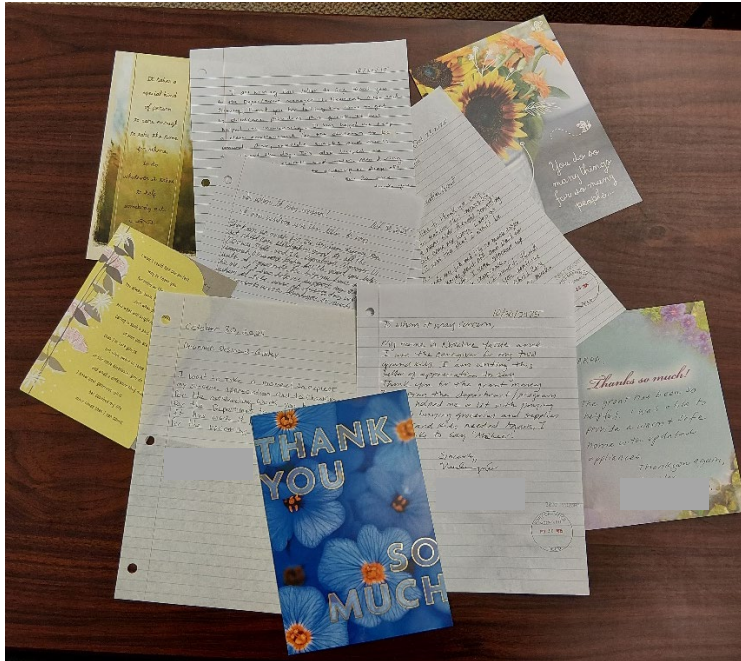
The DCCD Stabilization Grant aims to strengthen and stabilize the child care system, ensuring that Navajo families have continued access to safe, reliable, and culturally responsive child care. The funds have helped providers address operational challenges, maintain staff, purchase educational materials, and create safe and nurturing learning environments for children.

"I want to express my sincere gratitude to the Department of Child Care and Development for making the ARP Child Care Stabilization Grant possible. The funds helped me create a safe, engaging, and nurturing space by purchasing learning materials, health and safety supplies, and items that support the child's emotional and developmental growth. I am truly thankful for the ongoing support of providers and families within the Navajo Nation. Your efforts ensure that even the smallest providers can continue to thrive and provide meaningful, high-quality care for our children."

This heartfelt message from one of the grant recipients highlights the vital role DCCD plays in supporting child care providers who serve as the foundation of early childhood care and education across the Navajo Nation.

Through the ARP Child Care Stabilization Grant, DCCD continues to invest in the future of Navajo children and families by strengthening the child care workforce and sustaining a system that meets the diverse needs of all communities.

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Pictured: Letters of gratitude and cards of appreciation received by the DCCD.

DCCD is committed to ensuring that every Navajo child has access to safe, high-quality, and culturally enriching child care that supports their development and strengthens families. To learn more about the DCCD's Provider opportunities, call (928) 871-6629.

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About NDCCD

The Department of Child Care & Development (DCCD) serves the Navajo Nation through five regional offices—Chinle, Crownpoint, Fort Defiance, Shiprock, and Tuba City. Each region has a Casework Unit that helps families and independent child care providers with eligibility and program support. In addition, DCCD centers across these regions offer high-quality child care services for children from birth to 13 years old.

DCCD empowers families by offering flexible options, including tribal and state childcare centers, independent providers, and relative providers. We prioritize health and safety, promote cultural engagement, and provide resources to help families make informed decisions that best suit their needs.

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