

Stabilization Grants to Child Care Providers Available Now

The Kiowa Tribe Child Care Program is pleased to announce the ARP Stabilization Grant to Child Care providers who are within the 22 counties of our service area.

The American Rescue Plan Act was created to stabilize the child care market during and after the COVID-19 pandemic. The goal of ARP plan act is to continue to access the affordable care for families, and support child care facilities and employees so that they can take continue to serve their community. Providers may apply for the following categories:

- Personnel costs, benefits, premium pay, and recruitment and retention.
- Rent or mortgage payments, utilities, facility maintenance and improvements, or insurance.
- PPE equipment, cleaning and sanitation supplies and sanitation services.
- Training and professional development related to health and safety practices.
- Goods and services necessary to maintain or resume child care services .
- Mental health supports for children and employees .
- Minor renovations of facilities (No structural changes to building).

An eligible provider defined by the ARP Act is either:

- a provider who meets CCDF eligibility, and all CCDF health and safety requirement that date of the application submission, or
- A provider who was licensed, regulated, or registered and met all applicable state/local health and safety requirements at the date of enactment of the ARP Act on March of 2021

Grantees will be required to keep record of expenditures throughout the cycle of the grant. Further information on record requirements will be published grants are awarded. The Kiowa Tribe Child Care Director will contact providers to inform them of their grant award status and any additional guidelines.

Please complete all sections of the application to the best of your ability. if you need assistance with your ARP Act Grant Application, call Ms. Yvonne Haven at 580-654-6355.