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Los Angeles County Development Authority

Childcare Providers Recovery (CPR) Grant Program

December 7, 2022

Childcare Providers Grant Program

CARES Act – $10M Allocation

Description

- Provided assistance for childcare operators
- Located in Los Angeles County
- Did not include City of Los Angeles
- Impacted due to COVID-19
- Experienced economic hardship

Allocation

- $500K for admin
- $9.5M for grants
- Administered by the Los Angeles County Development Authority (LACDA)

Eligibility

- Good standing with Community Care Licensing Division
- Submitted a complete application and supporting documents
- Completed W-9
- Signed grant agreement

Use of Funds

- Working Capital
- Grant Amounts
- Family Child Care Homes
- $15,000
- Child Care Centers
- $40,000

Outcomes

- 1,786 applications submitted
- 462 approved and funded
- Applications ranked by lottery
- Target low- to moderate-income areas

Childcare Providers Grant Program

CARES Act – Testimonial Video

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CARES Act – Testimonial

"When we received the CARES Grant Funding through LA County, it really provided us an opportunity to adapt our facility to make it safer for children, family and staff to return. Seeing the progress and the help that we've been able to do because of this grant has been amazing"

Tori Hatch,
Fountain Day School

New Program Funding

The American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) allocated $1.9 billion in funding to Los Angeles County to build an equitable economic recovery from the devastating economic effects caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

As a result, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors approved $20 million in ARPA funds to create the Los Angeles County Childcare Providers Recovery (CPR) Grant Program.

CPR Grant Program

American Rescue Plan Act - $20M Allocation

Goal: Assist with the licensed ECE sector's recovery by providing financial support for those providers located within communities most negatively impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic to reopen or remain operating and continue to provide ECE services

INPUTS

Where We Invest

- LACDA to partner with a Subrecipient for grants administration and community-based organizations with direct connections with ECE providers

ACTIVITIES

What We Do

- Community engagement
- Program marketing materials
- Technical assistance
- Provide grants
- Evaluate program effectiveness

Who We Reach

- Licensed, LA County ECE providers
- Not within City of LA

OUTCOMES

Why This Project

- Short-term Results
- Intermediate Results
- Long-term Results

Assumptions

- Anti Racism, Diversity and Inclusion (ARDI)'s COVID-19 Vulnerability and Recovery Index is an efficient and effective measure of the disproportionate impact of the pandemic for communities and the ECE providers operating within them

External Factors

- ECE is a low-wage employment sector
- COVID-19 pandemic from Jan 2020 to Jan 2021:
  - 10% reduction in home-based providers and 36% decrease in centers. Providers instituted COVID safety protocols.

Partners

LA County Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO)

- Program funding

LACDA

- Program design and leadership
- Data & financial reporting

LA County Department of Public Health, Office for Advancement of Early Care & Education

- Consulting

Child Care Alliance of Los Angeles

- Consulting

Community Partners

- Grants administration and disbursement

Resource and Referral Agencies

- Community outreach, engagement and support

Eligibility Criteria

Actively Licensed with CDSS-CCLD

- California Department of Social Services (CDSS)
- Community Care Licensing Division (CCLD)

Verified online at **CDSS-CCLD portal**

Los Angeles County (excluding City of Los Angeles)

- Mapped with **County GIS locator**

Organization in Good Standing with California Secretary of State

- Lookup current status on **Business Search page**

(Not required for sole proprietorships or partnerships)

No Duplication of Benefits

- Cross reference Grantee with concurrent awards for other County American Rescue Plan Act grants

Completed Application & Supporting Documentation

- Processed by Community Partners

Facility Operation Status

- Currently open for business
- Closed with the intention to re-open

Grant Amounts

Funding for each facility will be based on the following funding scale:

Family Home Childcare Providers

- $15,000 for facilities licensed for up to 8 slots
- $30,000 for facilities licensed for up to 14 slots

Childcare Centers

- $40,000 for facilities licensed for up to 40 slots
- $80,000 for facilities licensed for over 40 slots

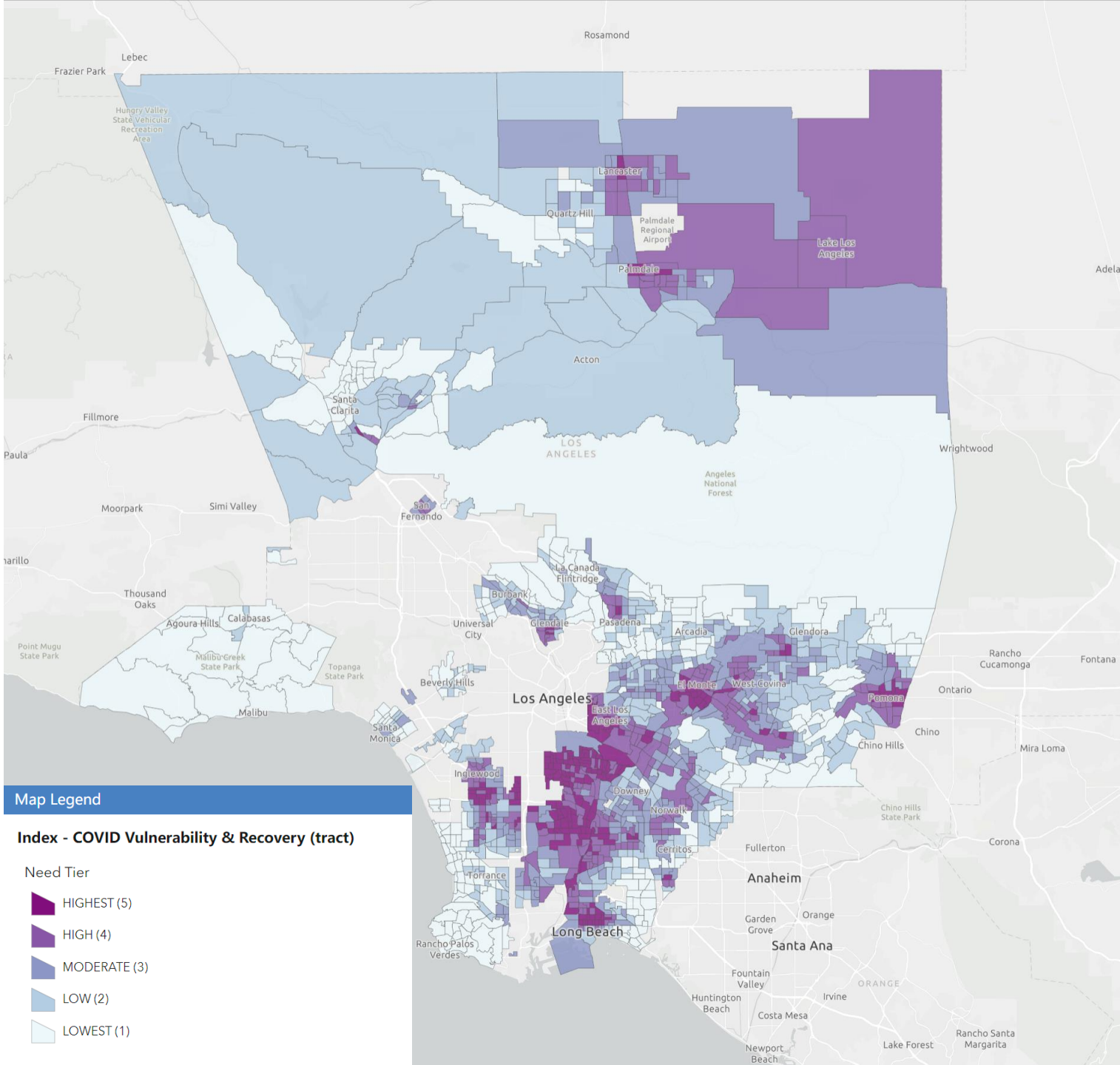
Example Eligible Uses of Funds

- Personnel costs
- Rent
- Equipment, supplies, services, or training re: health and safety
- Goods and services to maintain or resume services
- Mental health supports for children and employees

Funding Prioritization

Applications will be prioritized and selected based on Need Tier level of the COVID-19 Vulnerability and Recovery Index in the following order:

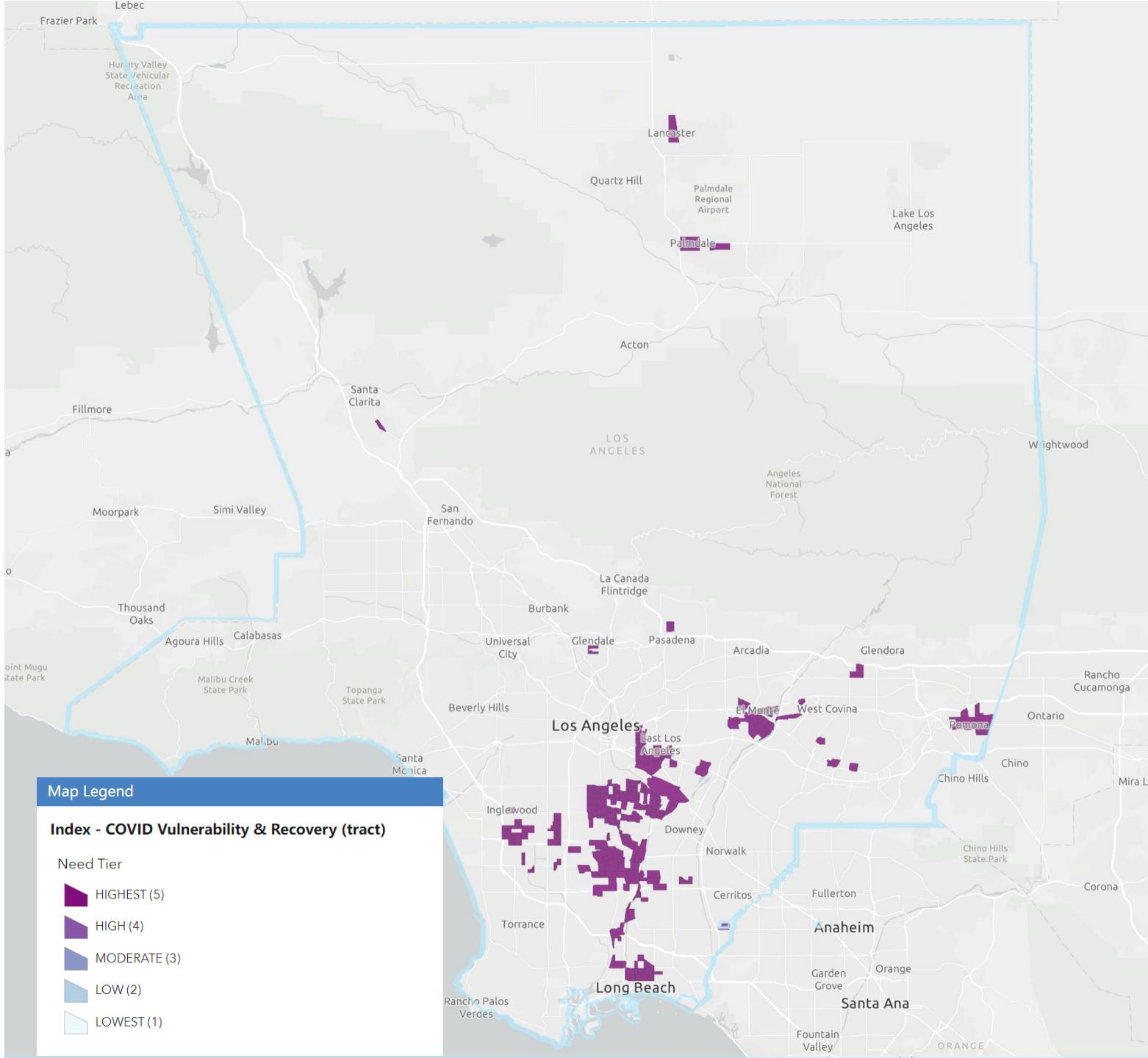
1. Highest Need,
2. High Need,
3. Moderate Need,
4. Low Need, and
5. Lowest Need



Funding Prioritization

Facilities located in the Highest Need Tier will have their applications processed for eligibility and funding on a rolling basis during the three-month application period.

If funds remain after the three-month application period, eligible applications will be funded by descending Need Tier. If needed, CPR will host a lottery.



Equity Framework and Funding Process

Community engagement via Resource and Referral agencies.

Accept applications from all eligible, licensed providers outside of City of Los Angeles.

Open the application portal for three months.

Fund (on a rolling basis) all eligible applications received from providers located within COVID Index “Highest Need” Tier.

If funds remain after three-month application period, fund eligible applications by descending Need Tier. Host lottery if needed.

Timeline 2022-2023

2022

Jun

Program Launch Approval

- ARDI, LA County Counsel, and LA County Chief Executive Office approve project and launch form is signed

Sept

Subrecipient Completion

- Executed agreements between LACDA and DEO, and between LACDA and two resource and referral agencies

Oct

Marketing Development

- Program marketing materials are developed

Nov

Promotion

- Program promotion and application training with childcare providers

Nov

Portal Opens 11/15/22

- Eligible applications from providers in Highest Need tier are funded on a rolling basis

2023

Feb

Portal Closes 2/14/23

- If funding remains, eligible applications are funded by descending tier
- Utilize a lottery within a tier if insufficient funding for full tier

Feb-Sept

Project Evaluation

- Project evaluation conducted. Disseminate brief re: program outcomes and lessons learned

Nov

Project Closeout

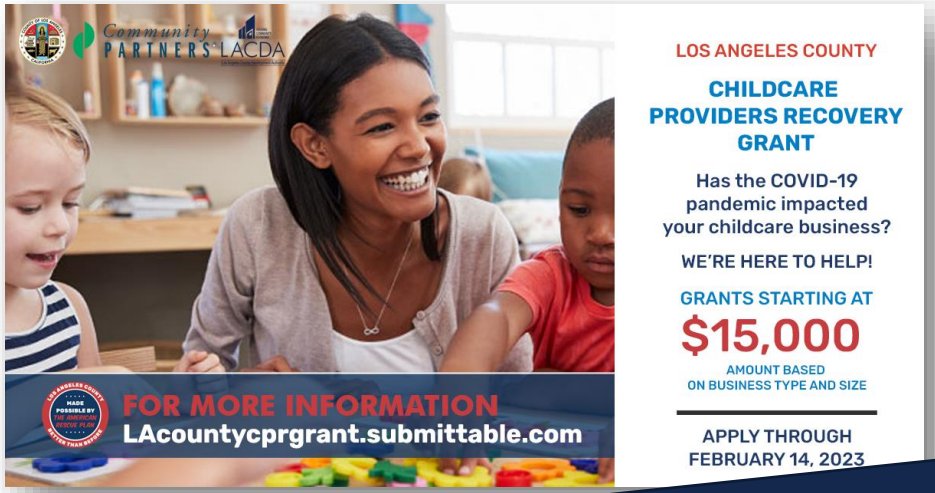
- Reallocate funds if a balance remains

Digital Promotion

Flyer

Twitter

Facebook



CPR Application Website:

LAcountycprgrant.submittable.com

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