

## City of Austin Early Childhood Investments Overview 2/17/2023

The following tables list current Austin Public Health (APH) social service investments that support, enhance, and expand early childhood services. These investments are delivered through social services contracts and interlocal agreements with nonprofit and governmental agencies as well as direct APH program services.

Social Service Contracts					
#	Program Name	Description	Agency	# of Clients Served as of 9/30/2022	FY23 Amount
1	Quality Child Care Collaborative (QC3) (includes Continuity of Child Care System Services)	Programming to increase child care quality, including Director Mentoring, CLASS Training, and the Jeannette Watson Wage Supplement Program; Temporary “bridge” funding for children in subsidized childcare who would otherwise be terminated or not enrolled due to federal funding rules.	Workforce Solutions Capital Area Workforce Board	4773 clients*	\$931,842
2	Early Education and Care	Extended day and summer Head Start services for families with low income	Child, Inc.	299 children	\$479,330
3	Teacher TRAC & Director TRAC	College-level courses in Child Development and faculty assistance to ensure success for ECE teachers.	Austin Community College District	87 child care staff*	\$51,128
4	Pre-K Classroom Start-Up Funds	Start-up costs for area school districts to purchase furniture and materials needed to open new Pre-K 3 classrooms	Local area school districts	8 Classrooms	\$128,000
5	KinderCare at Bergstrom Tech	Rent and operating expenses (OpEx) for child care program on City-leased property at Bergstrom Technology Center	N/A	68 children	\$303,864
6	Early Childhood Consulting	Child care consulting services	Ginsberg Kershner & Associates	N/A	\$75,000
7	Bridge Child Care Voucher	Child care services for children from families that are in crisis and have low or very low income	YWCA	36 children	\$266,044
8	Teen Parent Child Care	Child care services for children of teen parents with low income	Austin ISD	39 children	\$143,914
9	Early Head Start	Early Head Start child care for children of families with low income	Child, Inc.	69 children	\$89,209
10	Ready Families Collaborative	A comprehensive pipeline of services for children ages 0-5 and their families, which allow for early and progressive	Any Baby Can	4337 clients	\$1,652,316

		intervention in support of healthy child development			
11	Leaps & Bounds	The program provides enrichment opportunities for children through creative movement classes for children and professional development for teachers and caregivers	Allison Orr Dance, Inc.	162 children	\$42,587
CARES Act Investments (Federal funds, one-time distribution through September 30, 2023)					
#	Program Name	Description	Agency	# of Clients Served as of 9/30/2022	Amount
1	CDBG-CV Child Care for Essential Workers	Funds emergency childcare for essential workers during the COVID-19 pandemic and provides information to families on licensed childcare providers	Workforce Solutions	206 children	\$3,445,170
Local Fiscal Recovery Funds/American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Investments (Federal funds approved to be through December 31, 2024)					
#	Program Name	Description	Agency	# Of Clients Served as of 12/31/2022	Amount
1	Full-day, Dual Language Pre-K 4	Supplements and expands access to early education to children 4 years old who do not meet requirements for state funded Pre-K	Del Valle ISD	48 children; 3 classrooms	\$638,000
2	Full-Day Pre-K 3	Expansion of Pre-K for 3 year-olds from half-day to full-day on some campuses	Austin ISD	70 children; 4 classrooms	\$902,075
3	Continuity of Child Care Services expansion	Temporary "bridge" funding for children in subsidized childcare who would otherwise be terminated or not enrolled due to federal funding rules	Workforce Solutions Capital Area Workforce Board	35 children	\$3,264,881
	Family and Community Engagement Staff	Assist families on childcare subsidy waitlist with securing childcare		3 staff hired and trained; pending waitlist data due to open enrollment	
	Childcare Essential Worker Premium Pay	Premium pay wage supplements for childcare teachers and staff		92 child care staff*	
4	T.E.A.C.H.	Incentives and tuition supports for child care teachers who are furthering their education in the field of early childhood education	Texas Assoc. for the Education of Young Children	37 child care staff*	\$157,000
5	Ready Families Collaborative (ARPA)	A comprehensive Early Childhood Pipeline of Services model to provide early and	Any Baby Can	90 family support staff	\$177,083

		progressive intervention for young children			
6	Family Connects Program Expansion (ARPA)	Hire temporary Family Connects nurses and support staff to provide additional families with postpartum nurse home visits and scale this universal family support program model	Austin Public Health	745 families received postpartum nurse home visits in FY22; 6 staff hired & trained	\$2,000,000
7	Early Childhood Grants Coordinator (ARPA)	Fund 1.5 temporary position to manage ARPA early childhood and family support investments, performance, and reporting	Austin Public Health	N/A	\$222,495
8	PreK Partnerships Hub	The recipient will operate an “Administrative Hub” that centralizes the administrative duties of qualified community-based pre-k classrooms	United Way for Greater Austin	164 children	\$3,513,000
	Family/Child Care Home Network Expansion	Recipient will implement a training curriculum, support licensing needs and other development for home-based childcare programs		36 child care staff*	
	Non-Traditional Hours Childcare Pilot	Recipient will conduct a local analysis and design a pilot program to address the supply of regulated childcare provided during “non-traditional” hours such as overnight, weekends and outside of traditional business hours		N/A	
	Shared Services Alliance Planning & Implementation	Recipient will design and implement a pilot program to create a “Shared Services Alliance” which enables childcare providers to share administrative costs related to operating a childcare program.		4 child care centers	
	Wage supplements and tuition support	Expand wage supplements and tuition support to recruit and retain qualified early childhood educators in Pre-K partnerships		9 Pre-K partnership teachers	
	Improve Quality of School-Age Child Care	Use a Quality Assessment Instrument to assess 36 sites and make site improvement plans		12 child care centers	
	ConnectATX and 2-1-1	Expand the capacity of ConnectATX and 2-1-1 to be responsive to the increased need for resource and service		United Way (Cont.)	

		navigation in Austin-Travis County over the past 18 months			
	Support for Parenting Students	Provide parenting students with tailored supports that will improve their enrollment, retention, and graduation rates - ultimately leading to jobs with family sustaining wages		57 clients	
	Summer Learning Loss	Provide high-intensity tutoring and literacy- and language-enrichment supports to students to prevent summer learning loss and accelerate their readiness to advance academically the following school year		10 clients	
	Family Connects Program Evaluation	Evaluation the implementation of Family Connects in Austin/Travis County to determine the program's return on investment related to outcomes of interest to end payors such as insurance providers		N/A	

**Austin Public Health Program Delivery Services**

<b>#</b>	<b>Program Name</b>	<b>Proposed Description</b>	<b>Agency</b>	<b># of Clients Served</b>	<b>Amount</b>
1	Maternal Infant Outreach Program (DSRIP)	Services for African American women with low income during pregnancy and throughout the first year postpartum, including health education, resource navigation assistance, one-on-one home visits, birth education, and labor and delivery support	Austin Public Health	69 clients	\$508,660
2	Early Childhood Program Coordinator (2 full-time General Fund positions)	Planning and coordination on the community's Success by Six Coalition Strategic Action Plan. This includes developing strategies to increase the availability of, and number of children enrolled in, affordable high-quality early care and education.	Austin Public Health	N/A	\$185,212

***\*Child care staff may be duplicated clients accessing these services***