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**The Community Group Awarded \$122,000 in Grant Funds
From the Baker-Polito Administration**

Lawrence, MA (July 22, 2021) - The Community Group (TCG) is proud to be a recipient of a \$102,000 grant from the state of Massachusetts. The Baker-Polito Administration and the Children's Investment Fund (CIF), with its affiliate the Community Economic Development Assistance Corporation (CEDAC), awarded \$7.5 million in Early Education and Out of School Time Capital Fund (EEOST) capital improvement grants to thirty-six organizations to renovate childcare facilities that serve primarily low-income families.

As stated in the official [press release](#), the money awarded to care centers and out-of-school time programs range from \$100,000-\$250,000, and provide essential funding needed to address health and safety concerns related to COVID-19. *"With these critical investments, we can help child care providers, serving low-income communities, improve their facilities in order to boost quality and provide young learners with resources to succeed in the classroom and beyond," said Education Secretary James Peyser. "We are pleased to provide these critical resources necessary to sustain the Commonwealth's essential childcare infrastructure."*

TCG has multiple early learning centers and home care sites across the city of Lawrence, MA. With an enrollment of over 400 students and 160 staff members, our students and families will directly benefit from this grant as it will allow us to maintain our high level of health and safety standards that we have worked tirelessly to implement over the past year and a half.

The Community Group is grateful for this award as it will allow us to invest back into our community and provide childcare for students and give their families peace of mind while they are in our care.

About The Community Group

Established in 1970, The Community Group (TCG) creates, manages, and nurtures high quality programs focused on education and related services. Partnering with families and the larger community, TCG prepares infants through school aged children for bright futures. Thousands of children from several generations have benefited from the programs offered by TCG throughout the years and TCG programs continue to grow and evolve to meet community needs.