

Child Care Investment Partnership – Greater Dallas CCIP Donor Discussion Paper

1 Background

2 On December 1, 2020, the Texas Workforce Commission’s (TWC) three-member Commission
3 (Commission) approved \$5 million in Child Care Development Fund (CCDF) statewide funds for
4 implementation of the Child Care Investment Partnership (CCIP) program. This was a result of many
5 private stakeholders voicing an interest in investing in the early childhood education system to help
6 build a strong foundation of support for the future workforce.

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8 The CCIP program provides a 100 percent match of cash contributions from local partners (private
9 employers, corporate foundations, philanthropic organizations, local government) leveraging funds for
10 activities that improve the quality of child care (excluding direct child care services) such as the
11 following:

- Apprenticeship
- Family child care
- Pre-K partnerships
- Business support
- Wage supplementation or stipends
- Program capacity expansion
- Local child care studies

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13 Local Workforce Development Boards (Boards) partnering with donor organizations may submit
14 applications to TWC detailing how they would like to invest these funds in local efforts to improve the
15 quality of child care. CCIP requires that donor funds be donated to TWC and accepted by the
16 Commission as CCDF funds to allow TWC to leverage the donations for potential draw down of
17 additional federal CCDF matching funds. TWC then grants the total project funds (donated funds plus
18 TWC’s 100 percent matching contribution) to the Board for administration of the approved CCIP
19 project.

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21 Workforce Solutions Great Dallas has proposed a CCIP project to develop a network of Micro Early
22 Education Programs (MEEP). The network will consist of ten registered or licensed child care home
23 providers who are coached in best practices for business management and supporting child development.
24 The project will focus on building capacity and accessibility to child care that serves shift work (non-
25 traditional hours), infant and toddlers, and/or care for children with special needs.

26 Issue

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28 Workforce Solutions Greater Dallas has secured a donor for the Micro Early Education Programs
29 (MEEP) project, United Way of Metropolitan Dallas, who will donate \$200,000 for the project, allowing
30 Workforce Solutions Great Dallas to draw down an additional \$200,000 in CCIP matching funds from
31 TWC.

32 Decision Point

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34 Staff recommends the Commission accept United Way of Metropolitan Dallas of \$200,000 and match
35 agreement as required by CCDF rules.