

GO Kids Grant Awards 2022 Metro Priority: Early care and education for kids 0-5

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Clackamas, Hood River, Multnomah and Washington

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Organization / Project	City	Amount	Analysis
Adelante Mujeres to support early care and education of kids 0-5, 2022-23	Forest Grove	\$35,000	Adelante Mujeres will provide early childhood education services for families with kids under five with a 2Gen approach for low-income Latinx families in Washington County. The community is involved through advisory committees, board of directors and leadership groups. The staff is 93% Latinx, all direct program staff speak Spanish, and more than 17 staff members are former program participants. OCF Funds will be used for activities and learning sessions that support healthy attachment, bonding, child development and culturally responsive learning for children and parents.
Black Parent Initiative to support early care and education of kids 0-5, 2022-23	Portland	\$50,000	Black Parent Initiative will provide parent education and early childhood development support to more than 150 African American, African, Black, and/or African American Multiracial families in Multnomah, Clackamas, and Washington counties. OCF funds will support the doula and home visiting services for low-income families with children 0-5. Previous program participants advise program direction on a Black Parent Advisory Council. For doula and home visiting services, staff members offer one-on-one parenting education and support that strengthens cultural identity and practices and supports parents in attaining greater economic stability, self-sufficiency and promote kindergarten readiness. Black Parent Initiative partners with local culturally specific Black organizations and Multnomah County REACH and others.
Community Transitional School to support early care and education of kids 0-5, 2022-23	Portland	\$40,000	Community Transitional School will provide PreK education and services for 12 children experiencing homelessness in Portland. OCF funds will be used to pay a portion of the teacher and aid positions and transportation to and from school. Activities and services shift based on what community members express as a need. The PreK program began because parents who had children in the school-age program also had younger children who needed daytime care so that parents could seek work and stability. Partnerships with other community organizations provide vision and dental screenings, speech therapy and weekend food.
Together We Are Greater Than to support early care and education of kids 0-5, 2022-23	Portland	\$48,600	Together We Are Greater Than shifts the onus of kindergarten readiness from poverty-impacted students and families to schools so that they are better prepared to serve them. OCF funds will support the existing Ready Schools program at Alder Elementary in outer SE Portland and a new location at Lincoln Street Elementary in Hillsboro. Parent communities at both schools, that are primarily people of color and low-income, influence the program through

surveys, in-person meetings and engagement in overall program design. Parents at these schools identified the needs for the programming offered: early kindergarten registration, summer transition activities, teacher home visits and an early childhood team at the school that coordinates with families, early childhood providers and kindergarten teachers.

Total Applications: 4 Grand Totals: \$173,600