

Hello,

I am a Director/Owner of a child care center in Hanover, MN. I received a Revitalization Grant Spring 2022. We were able to purchase a Rainbow Commercial Playset for our playground. Without the grant, we would not have been able to build such a beautiful structure for our program and its children.

These times are tough. Costs for doing business have continued to rise across the board. From snacks, to cleaning supplies, Insurances, paper products, employee raises, and so much more; we find ourselves doing business check to check each month, purchasing essentials, versus saving and being able to purchase 'extra' for the kids. The play structure and installation was an 'extra' to our budget, but with the help of the Revitalization Grant, there it sits in all its glory!

We could not be more thankful for this help. It gave our small child care center the bump it needed to continue feeling proud of what we offer.

My feeling is that you can only take so many raises from the hardworking families that attend here, to keep up - this Grant was everything to us.

With much thanks;

Amy Jewett, staff, and all the kids!

Hi!!

I am a family childcare provider from Moorhead, MN. I received the First Children's Finance grant 2 years ago and am eternally grateful for it. I was able to purchase a Rainbow play system, something I could never have done without it. I have done childcare for 30 years and this has been the BEST improvement I have had. The kids LOVE it and we are outside all the time on it... even in the winter!

I was also able to replace one side of our fence. Once again, tough for us to pay for it ourselves and the grant made it possible.

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU from the bottom of my childcare heart!!

Eternally grateful,
Sandy Carlson #209296

Hoping more funding is possible to upgrade my program.