
Hope for Kids Childcare Center

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Dear Legislators,

I am writing to express how important the Facility Revitalization Grant offered by First Children's Finance is to childcare businesses in Minnesota.

We were fortunate to be granted the Facility Revitalization Grant in June 2023. With the funds, we were able to add tile flooring to our classrooms to help make cleaning up after mealtime more efficient and sanitary. It is a healthier alternative to the carpet that we previously installed as milk, food and art materials were ground in and stained on the carpet. This project greatly improved the health and safety of our facility costing \$6800.

Without the funds from the grant, Hope for Kids Childcare Center, and other childcare facilities, would not have been able to complete the project necessary to keep the quality of our care and maintain compliance with our state licensing guidelines.

I join my colleagues in the early childhood education field in asking that you consider funding this grant to alleviate the burden of maintenance for childcare centers in Minnesota.

Sincerely,

Marcia DeMeo-Morse
Executive Director

