



Staff Support Fund Pilot

The Staff Support Fund Pilot is intended to help preschool program owners and directors retain quality staff as they pursue a high quality rating. Preschool programs will have access to \$3,000 per lead teaching position in their center or family child care program.

Who is Eligible?

Community Providers unrated, 1, or 2 Star in the SUTQ system, currently enrolled in CPP Quality Improvement coaching are eligible. Providers must have an up-to-date coaching plan and be in good standing with all CPP policies, procedures, and guidelines.

How can the funds be used?

Funds could be used to support any preschool teacher (lead or assistant) in the following areas:

- Offering retention, recruitment, or advancement bonuses
- Offsetting costs for health insurance
- Supplementing teachers' wages
- Paying for formal education in a degree-granting program in early childhood education (or directly related field) that is not already supported financially through other sources

How will the funds be distributed?

Funds will be distributed to Community Providers to cover approved expenses outlined in their coaching plan and application related to wage support, health insurance and continuing education.

Payments are made by direct deposit, directly to the approved Community Providers' bank accounts. This is the only way payments will be processed. Providers must fill out the ACH Electronic Transfer form, available at www.cincy-promise.org/teachers, to set up the direct deposit.

Payments will be distributed in two draws, unless grantee receives prior authorization from CPP SSF Program Manager.

How to Apply?

The grant application can be submitted via email or via mail. Applications can be found at www.cincy-promise.org/teachers. Completed applications must include: 1. Completed application a. Section 1: Provider Information & Site Assessment b. Section 2: Staff Identification c. Section 3: Staff Details & Demographics. 2. Signed Participation Agreement 3. Signed Staff Validation 4. Current Career Pathways Profile Summary (printed within 30 days of application submission) for identified teachers 5. Completed W-9 ([Click Here to Download Form](#)) 6. Completed ACH (direct deposit)