

Project SUPPORT Grant and Technical Assistance Application Form

Chinese American Chamber of Commerce - MN (CACC-MN) has partnered with the MN Department of Human Services, in offering Project SUPPORT (Supporting Under-served Providers through Partnership, Opportunities, Resources & Technology) initiative and targeted the area hard-hit Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) childcare centers, due to COVID-19.

SECTION I. PROGRAM INTRO

- AAPI childcare entities can be newly formed or already in operation in the Twin Cities metro area;
- AAPI childcare entities can apply just grant funds (funding can be requested from \$5,000 - \$10,000) or just technical assistance, or both, please clearly marked in the application;
- Grant Funds and TA Support must be spent and occurred before the end of Dec. 2023 (potential extension possible);
- Priorities will be given to:
 - Expansion the enrollment slots focusing on newborn – 3 years old;
 - No Matching Fund required, but if provided, the proposal may rank higher

SECTION II. GRANT APPLICATION

Please answer all questions in detail, no page limits.

Please review below eligibility criteria, **you have to select ALL YES to be qualified for Project SUPPORT.**
Please answer all Grant Application Questions in details, and submit as a PDF file to qiuyang@caccmn.org before October 20th, 2023 5pm, with the Subject – AGENCY NAME's Project SUPPORT grant application

A. Grant Eligibility:

___ Yes ___ No Project located in Twin Cities, MN;

___ Yes ___ No Severely impact by COVID pandemic;

___ Yes ___ No At least 51% Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) Business ownership;

___ Yes ___ No Substantial economic impacts occurred after the Funds and Technical Support;

B. Tell Us About You

1. Name*

First and Last name

2. Email*

3. Phone Number*

4. Preferred Contact Method (Check all that apply)*

☐ Phone

☐ Text

☐ Email

5. How do you identify (select all that apply):*

- **American Indian or Alaska Native.**
- **Asian.**
- **Black or African American.**
- **Hispanic or Latino.**
- **Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander.**
- **White.**
- Choose not to specify.

C. Tell Us About Your Business or Organization

6. Business or Organization Name and Address*

7. Your business or organization Employee Identification Number (EIN) or Tax ID Number*

Need help with your Employee Identification Number?

Visit this link: <https://irs-gov-ein-number.com/>

8. How many current employees (including yourself and family members)?*

9. Describe your business or organization.*

10. Please share your service numbers.*

Current Clients Served	
1. Number of childcare worker (please include yourself and other family members working in the facilities):	
2. Number of licensed child care slots (Infants)	

3. Number of licensed child care slots (toddler)	
4. Number of licensed child care slots (preschooler)	
5. Number of licensed child care slots (school age)	

D. Tell Us About the Project

11. Are You seeking Grant Fund or TA support?

a) Seeking Grant Fund (fund can be requested from \$5,000 - \$10,000) in Amount of \$_____ for:

- Providing funding for start-up or staff expansion to support more AAPI families' childcare needs;
- Providing facility improvement and expansion to support more AAPI families' childcare needs;
- Program Supplies for start-ups or expansion.

After selection, please provide a narrative to detail the project and how you plan to spend the fund with cost break-downs:

b) Seeking below Technical Support:

Chinese American Chamber of Commerce – MN – Cantonese, Hmong, Mandarin

- Starting Business 101
- Facilitating a financing program to support AAPI family child care providers and childcare centers to accessing low-interest loans for start-up or expansion;
- Increasing access to licensing or participation in state quality rating to attract new families, beyond extended family circles
- Hosting AAPI Business Summit in coming Sept

Asian Media Access with below language capacity – Cantonese, Hmong, Mandarin and Vietnamese

- Providing Free Website Development
- Providing Free Grant Writing Training and 1-on-1 Consultation

Khoo Consulting with below language capacity – Malay

- Providing Free Marketing and Communication training, focusing on Southeast Asian Women business owners
- Providing Free 1-on-1 Consultation on Entity Incorporation Document Preparation along with Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) policies development for license requirements

Vizion SEO with below language capacity - Hmong

- Providing Client Data Development, Invoicing and Billing Tracking
- Developing/Maximizing Childcare Social Media Platforms to get more referrals

12. Describe the project timeline. When do you expect to start/end of the project?*

E. Tell Us If the Project is Successful, you can expand to:

Estimated Project Outcomes	
6. Number of childcare worker jobs created:	
7. Number of childcare worker jobs retained:	
8. Number of licensed child care slots created with new licensed and expand facilities (Infants)	
9. Number of licensed child care slots created with new licensed and expand facilities (toddler)	
10. Number of licensed child care slots created with new licensed and expand facilities (preschooler)	
11. Number of licensed child care slots created with new licensed and expand facilities (school age)	
12. Number of licensed child care slots created with new licensed and expand facilities (Total):	

13. All applicants that are recommended for funding will be invited to submit additional application materials (such as construction estimates, evidence of property owner support, other paystubs and program supplies receipts, etc.). Do you acknowledge this?*

____ Yes

Signature of the Business Owner

Date

ALL PROPOSALS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY 5 P.M. ON OCTOBER 20TH, 2023. Please submit a PDF file with above grant application questions. All inquiries to: qiuyang@caccmn.org

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