

# CLAY COUNTY EARLY CHILDHOOD FUND



## The ABOUT Issue

Child care is a [workforce](#) issue. Lack of childcare creates difficulty in job retention and employee availability.

There are things you and your business can do to help support your workers and businesses in Clay County.



### INVEST IN PROVIDERS

Build capacity for current and new providers by contributing a **tax-deductible** donation to the [Clay County Early Childhood Fund](#) to address local needs.



### INVEST IN EMPLOYEES

Advocate for child care as a workforce issue to support parents by exploring policy changes, providing child care benefits, or initiating on-site child care.



### INVEST IN GRATITUDE

Your employees can work together to connect with our community and show appreciation to providers who help to care for our youngest children.



The Clay County Early Childhood Fund's mission is to increase access to child care and retain current providers.

## **YOUR INVESTMENT FUNDS**

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- New child care facility start-up
- Facility updates for current providers
- Training for providers and staff
- Appreciation celebrations and recognition
- Community events to connect and engage with community and providers
- Increase accessibility of mental health and behavioral support for providers and children

**WE MUST RECRUIT AND RETAIN CHILD CARE PROVIDERS IF WE WANT A HEALTHY *workforce* AND HEALTHY *children*. YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE BY INVESTING TODAY!**



If you are interested in supporting child care as a workforce issue, here are some additional resources to empower your impact.

## ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- Harvard Business Review: [Child Care is a Business Issue](#)
- Fast Company: [Four Ways Companies Can Help Solve The Child Care Crisis](#)
- Harvard Business Review: [Need a Good Parental Leave Policy? Here It Is.](#)
- MN Dept of Labor & Industry: [Pregnant Workers and New Parents](#)

Advocate for investment into child care solutions by emailing or calling your elected officials at the city, county, state, and federal level.

- [List of ND/MN Officials from F/M/WF Chamber](#)
- [My Elected Officials from the City of Moorhead](#)
- [Clay County Board of Commissioners](#)



## CHILD CARE WAYFINDER

Visit the [Child Care Wayfinder](#) for additional resources. For support on adding onsite or subsidized slots contact Dawn Block, Regional Child Care Navigator at [dawnb@caplp.org](mailto:dawnb@caplp.org).

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# THANK *You*

On behalf of the children and families who benefit from your support, we would like to extend our deepest appreciation.

Thank you for all you do!

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