

Mono County Childcare Activities and Needs Matrix, Winter 2024

First 5 Mono, updates since Fall

Activites by Agency		
Agency	Activity	Role & outcome
First 5 Mono	Support MCOE to access funding for food service. Seek to understand MCOE funding challenges to ensure preschool funding is robust.	Learned how ESUSD provides food service, collaborated with MCOE to apply on their behalf. Completed application for the Child and Adult Food Program, awaiting response. 10/2023-- Abandoned application at MCOE's request due to lack of administrative capacity & ample CSPP funding--may seek in 2 years (2025)
	Spring 2022 applied for CSPP Expansion Grant, Early Educator Teacher Development Grant in partnership with MCOE	grant writing, awarded & fully funded. 9.2023 <i>CSPP Expansion</i> : 3 sites moved to 6.5 hours (instead of 3.5) last year. This year, Lee Vining and Coleville have not opened due to lack of students and staff. Mammoth will trnition to full day after moving to the Parcel. <i>Early Educator Teacher Development Grant</i> : some teachers applying. Considering altering to fund PD for more teachers to include TK & PK teachers. F5 Requested MCOE collaborate to seek cohesion with other PD support programs. 3/2024 Requested funding from MCOE to support training targeting TK teachers through the Childcare Quality System.
	Spring 2022 sought Child Care Council support for CDBG application in the Town of Mammoth Lakes	grant writing. Request submitted to the Council, was not able to not meet a quorum to discuss support prior to the Public Hearing. Meet with Dan Holler Town 4.21.22: learned Town is using own funds for planning, plans were presented to the Commission at the 6.14.2022 meeting. Participated in CDBG office hours, Notice Of Funding for new projects projected to be released in January. 3/4 pplication delayed, anticipated in Fall 2024
	Press releases	drafted release at the request of the First 5 Commission, worked with Mono County Communications contractor Justin Capruso. Resulted in articles in the Mammoth Times (& El Sol (11.10.2022). Second release 3.24.2023 Cost of Care. Release 8.1.2023: "Quality scores continue to climb", resulted in an article in the Mammoth Times, "Mono County Scores High in Childcare Quality" 5.18.2023
	Drafted County Ordinance to financially support wage increases for providers and fee support for families	drafted policy at the request of the First 5 Mono Commission based on San Francisco's to support the child care industry in Mono County. First 5 Commission tabled to request more information about existing supports. As a result of the Childrens' Summit Workgroup seeking to address identified issues, submitted a request with MCOE to the Board of Supervisors for \$50,000 to fund stipends for individual child care providers who participated in the Childcare Quality System--funds were awarded and will be distributed ASAP. 9.2023 Board of Supes included the \$50,000 in the current year budget for childcare provider stipends. Resulted in an article in the Mammoth Times, "Stipends for Local Childcare Providers" 5.18.2023 3/2024 County Pledged \$50,000 in stipends for
	Winter 2022 applied for CCTR funds to cover the cost of infant and toddler care for income-qualifying families in partnership with MCOE.	grant writing, funds not awarded due to MCOE's provisional status with DSS because this is their first year of contracting with DSS. Checked with MCOE 9.2023, they are not yet eligible
	Worked with the Regional Hub to create a policy platform	partnered with Inyo and Alpine to create a policy platform for the region in support of the childcare industry. First 5 Mono asked to learn the plan for gaining support across the region, tabled to a future meeting, ICOE and F5 Alpine brought to Board & Commission and did not gain support. Abandoned, will remain the adopted policy platform of the IMPACT Hub Region of Alpine, Inyo, and Mono. Bringing forward a draft Mono Policy Platform to the First 5 Commission 3/2024
MCOE	Provide care at the Parcel	interior construction & operation of 3 classrooms. Hiring and accepting contact information for families interested in services. Site planed to be released to MCOE between February and April
	Talking with the Town about a new facility	discussion partner, hoped implementation Per Tammy Nugyen 9.2023, there are no current discussion with the Town for additional childcare
	4 State preschool rooms, oversee 5	operation, 2 closed due to staff and students. 10/2023 3 sites open now, Coleville hired a teacher a
	Resource & Referral and Alternative Payment Program Grants	operation
	Partnered with First 5 Mono on CCTR application	grant writing, implementation if funds are awarded. Not awarded, MCOE did not meet the application criterion

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Mono County	Partner with First 5 & ESUSD on CDBG grant for Child Care	fiscal agent. Notice of funding for new applications projected for January 2024. 10/2024 Application delayed until Fall 2024, projected funding gap. CSPP funds identified to cover the lapse.
Mammoth Hospital	Childcare facility with 22 slots for 2-5 year olds	in operation
Mammoth Mountain	Childcare facility with 42 slots for infants to 5 year olds	in operation (not new, but added to the document)
Town of Mammoth	plan for childcare	Plan to go out to bid in mid-November, goal of awarding a contract before the end of this year. Construction on site could begin in early spring, with re-location of the portable units in late June, corresponding with the end of the school year. This project currently consists of providing a core and shell building only. The details of childcare facility operation are in progress. Goal is to have facility open by Fall 2024. Base enrollment is estimated at 75. Dan Holler retired, projects will proceed at a much slower pace while new staff is hired and onboarded.

Slot impact

Activity	Partners	Notes	Slot impact
Funding Applications	Mono County, MCOE, First 5 Mono, Eastern Sierra & Mammoth Unified School Districts	Awarded: CSPP Expansion for parcel slots & full day programs across the County (full day only utilized in Mammoth due to staffing shortages) and Early Educator Development Grants.Planned for 2023: CDBG: operations (Bridgeport) and planning (Walker), TOML not interested in accessing CDBG planning funds, already conducting planning, perhaps CDBG operations in Mammoth with MCOE; DSS Facilities Grant [upon release, TOML & MCOE did not qualify to apply]; CCTR for infant and Toddler slots at the Parcel, not awarded due to MCOE provisional status with DSS. MCOE potentially interested in F5 support to apply for CDBG operation funding through the TOML for the Parcel site. MCOE not yet eligible for CCTR.	20 projected, 53 expanded
Operation of State Preschools	MCOE, Eastern Sierra Unified School District		53 sustained
Projected Increase in licesend sites	MCOE, new caregivers	MCOE's Community Connections for Children serves as the county Resource and Referral agency which supports individuals to become licensed childcare providers. There are currety 4 new sites being supported through the process.	24 projected
Facility Opening	Mammoth Hospital	Opened a new facility at the Lutheran Church, enrollment limited to children of Mammoth Hospital employees	22 added

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Mammoth Lakes Only			
Facilities Additions and Plans			
Location	Parties involved	Description	Number of additional slots
Concept Facility	MCOE, TOML	TOML & MCOE have renewed discussions about an additional facility in the TOML. The Town presented plan at the 6.16.2022 Commission meeting.	75
Parcel	MCOE, TOML	TOML will construct the shell, MCOE will complete the interior and operate the multiple classrooms, one of which will replace the current Mammoth Lakes State Preschool on the High school campus	20
Family Homes	Family home providers and Community Connections for Children	Four new individuals who care for children at home are being supported by the Community Connections for Children office to become licensed and able to care for up to 6 children each.	24
Mammoth Hospital	Mammoth Hospital	Mammoth Hospital (MH) By 2026, 30 slot on-site childcare facility, 8 more slots than the current facility at the Lutheran Church. MH is currently	8
Increase in Mammoth Lakes if all plans are actualized			127

Needs Assessment 0-4 year olds				
(number of slots needed to fill the gap between what is available and what the need is)				
Report	Population Data source	2022	2027*	Remaining need in 2027 if plans are actualized
Mono County Childcare Council 2022-23 Zip code priorities	Early Learning Needs Assessment Tool, 2018 American Community Survey (Census) (345)	220	no projection	93
Mono County Childcare Council 2022 Needs Assessment	California Department of Finance (2022:255, 2027: 235)	136	110	-17
First 5 Mono	2019-23 Kindergarten average (249)	127	107	0

First 5 Mono and MCCCC Needs Assessment number of slots available--2022:119 & 2027: 139, the Zip code priorities find 125 slots available.

* Projections include 20 slot increase for the Parcel