



## Early Learning Stabilization Grant: Allowable Expenses

The Early Learning Stabilization Grant (ELSG) is a competitive grant, each award is \$28,800 and will be paid in quarterly disbursements of \$7,200. Developed in partnership with Bainum Family Foundation, the eligible uses fall into three categories explained below:

Sustainability Goal Area	Examples of allowable expenses
Industry Recognized and Holistic Quality Standards	NAFCC or NAEYC accreditation fees, learning equipment and materials, outdoor equipment, curriculum, conference registration fees, trainings and professional development, healthy meals and snacks, minor renovations and repairs
Business Efficiency and Sustainability	Software, technology, operating expenses such as mortgage or rent and utilities, facility security, liability insurance, professional services for accounting and taxes, succession planning fees
Increase Family Affordability and Enrollment	Providing scholarships* to children who are in need based on financial factors or hardship, website development and hosting, advertising, and family engagement activities

After signing the Grant Agreement, grantees will get the chance to design their own spending plan, outlining how they will spend funds in the above categories. This plan will be reviewed by Reinvestment Fund staff and once approved, grant disbursements will begin. The spending plan will be regularly reviewed and resubmitted throughout the grant cycle.

\*Grant dollars can be used to provide scholarships for students. There are specific guidelines on how to utilize grant dollars for scholarships. Please see the Scholarship Guideline document on our website for more information, available [HERE](#).

*For all grant uses, grantees will need to submit proof of payment. This proof can include a copy of a cancelled check, a paid invoice or statement, a general ledger, or bank statement. This documentation must include date, proof of payment made and, a description of the expense.*

