

Camp Fire Columbia ARPA Summer Enrichment Request

Access to child care improves outcomes related to mental and physical wellbeing of both children and caregivers as well as school attendance which is linked to multiple positive increases in physical and educational success. Camp Fire will provide free or reduced cost child care to students in need with a priority focus on students of color, caregivers with disabilities, students engaged with the foster care system, and students experiencing houselessness or housing insecurity.

Camp Fire Columbia has served McMinnville since 2021 providing access to affordable child care to McMinnville families in partnership with KOB inc. At Camp Fire Columbia we recognize that lack of affordable child care can cause chronic absenteeism. Investment of ARPA funds by the Yamhill County Board of Commissioners will allow us to provide free and/or reduced cost access to child care, especially during the summer when no current funding is available to support scholarships.

In an article published by Penn State Social Science Research Institute titled Supporting Entrepreneurs, Families, & Underserved Communities: Improving Access to Affordable Child Care, it is stated that “From 2017 – 2021 approximately 13% of children younger than age five had a parent whose employment was negatively impacted due to a lack of affordable child care options. Research suggests reducing child care costs has the potential to increase labor force participation, especially among mothers of young children”.

CFC Impact in Yamhill County 2021-2024

- Total Students Enrolled: 500 (duplicated)
- 36% received CFC scholarships (n=182)
- 14% received ERDC (n=72)
- 50% received some type of payment support

Total support provided: \$687,815

Total KOB Inc support: \$319,000 as of 5/8/24

Total City of McMinnville Support: \$40,000

Camp Fire’s program model is grounded in deep partnership with public schools. McMinnville School District is the foundational partner for this project as well as the individual school building administrators we work with on site. Camp Fire provides state licensed child care on site at our partner schools during the school year and the summer months. This request is intended to specifically address the funding needs of our summer enrichment program.

- Average family cost is \$350 per week
- 6 weeks, 8am-5pm for 60 youth
- Total cost \$189,000 2024
- \$202,000 2025 (estimated)
- Total earned revenue ~\$50,000 per summer
- Total ARPA Investment summer 2024 and 2025 = \$291,444

We believe that by providing high quality, affordable child care we are supporting healthy social engagement for youth and providing support to our community's health and well-being as a whole. With funding from this commission, we will provide summer enrichment programming as a licensed childcare provider from June 26 – Aug 4, 2023 for up to 60 youth. Programming for youth ages 5-12 years will operate for a full 8-hours day (8 am to 5 pm), five days a week, for six weeks at Newby Elementary School. Through this grant, we will prioritize youth from historically oppressed communities including communities of color, Emergent Language Learners (ELL), working families in Title I schools, students with special needs, students in need of social emotional support and post-pandemic socialization, and youth referred by district and community-based partners.

CFC engages youth and families from the McMinnville and Lafayette elementary schools and community at large to expand our services to support students and their families. CFC will work with McMinnville and Lafayette elementary school administration to identify students enrolled in need of summer care. CFC will then work directly with those students and their families to get them seamlessly enrolled in Summer Day Camp with CFC. Over the past year, CFC has continued to significantly increase the number of low-income families accessing care through our collective care program which provides opportunities for families with means to contribute to high quality developmental care for other families who have less ability to pay as well as building deep connections with Oregon Department of Human Services (ODHS) and their Employment Related Day Care (ERDC) subsidy program. This grant will help extend that care to more low-income families throughout the summer with the goal of building community within our programs that will create more support for families moving into school year 2024-25.

Once referred students are enrolled in program, all registration and weekly fees will be waived. Additionally, families will be invited to virtual and in-person info-sessions to learn about CFC and will receive emailed and hardcopy paperwork including CFC's handbook, safety plans, FAQs, and info on obtaining financial resources to be used in future CFC programs outside of this grant opportunity. CFC has translation services embedded in the department and staff are paid extra for their time translating documents, addressing questions, and holding conversations. Attendance is taken each day as youth arrive using paper attendance documents that follow the Early Learning Division's requirements for tracking youth's attendance each day as well as utilizing a new electronic system that will allow staff to access attendance numbers and registration documents on their site phones and site technology. All attendance documents note the time of arrival, who dropped the youth off, the time of departure and who picked the youth up.

CFC McMinnville Summer Enrichment Program Budget

Budget Item	Proposed ARPA Investment	
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Assistant Director of BAS Programs (33%)	\$ 3,234.00	AD= \$71,000 (\$34.13 per hour)
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(2) Site Supervisor (67%)	\$ 8,502.03	Supervisor= \$47,133 (22.66 per hour)
(10) Program Specialists (67%)	\$ 39,208.40	Program Specialist= \$43,472 (\$20.90 per hour)
Wages and Benefits Subtotal	\$ 55,151.43	
Equipment, Supplies, & Tuition		
(60) Weekly Fees	\$ 126,000.00	\$410/wk per participant for 7 weeks for 60 participants
Employee Recognition	\$ 350.00	\$25 per person for 14 staff
Medical Supplies	\$ 150.00	
Transportation	\$ -	
Food	\$ 4,485.00	\$1/snack * 2 snacks/day * 35 days * 60 youth + \$285 cutlery and other supplies
Specific Program Supplies	\$ 754.00	\$100 per week +54 start up costs
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