



REGIONAL & MNTRECC GRANTS – PROGRAM APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

This document is intended for programs to use when applying for Regional & MNTRECC grants in Develop. The information documents the necessary steps in Develop, start to finish, to complete and submit your application.

This document only includes steps for applying. There is a second guide to use if your program is awarded a grant.

Programs are strongly encouraged to apply for Regional & MNTRECC grants in Develop. If you are unable to apply in Develop and need a paper application, contact your Grant Administrator.

PART 1: TIPS BEFORE GETTING STARTED

Accessing the Grant application in Develop:

- You can only apply for a Regional or MNTRECC grant in your Develop Organization Profile. You cannot access the grant application in your Individual Profile. (See Part 2, steps 1-3.)
- In order to apply for a Regional or MNTRECC Grant, you need to have a Registered Organization Profile in Develop. If you have not registered your Organization yet, [follow these instructions](#). Register before the grant application period starts on September 1, so you will be ready to apply when the application is available.
- The application is available in Develop September 1-25. If you apply on paper, your application must be received by your Grant Administrator by September 20.

Before you apply, enter the following information into your Organization Profile so your program can receive the maximum number of points available to you:

- Make sure that you and staff, if applicable, have current Individual Memberships in Develop so that each person has their complete training history documented.
- Add or update your program's classroom(s) or group(s) on the Classrooms tab of the Organization Profile. Do not use names for your classes or groups that could identify your program to a Grant Reviewer. If you have already added your classroom(s) or group(s) to the Classrooms tab, make sure the names can't identify your program. This keeps your program anonymous to Grant Reviewers and helps to avoid potential conflicts of interest.

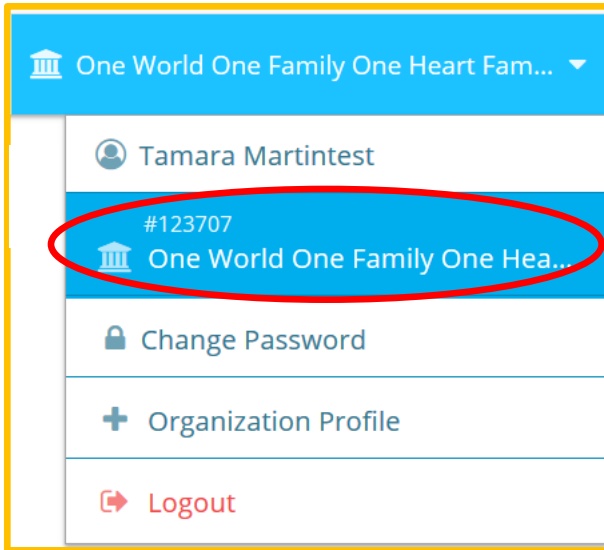
Have a copy of [this year's grant priorities](#) when you begin your application.

If you can, complete the application from start to finish. If you get interrupted and have to step away, click **Save and Exit** so you do not accidentally lose information you already entered.

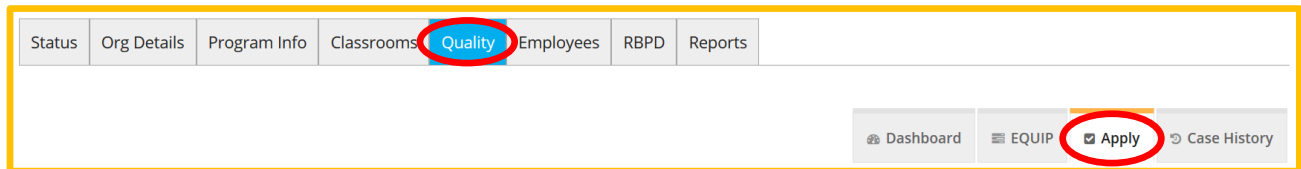
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PART 2: ACCESSING THE GRANT APPLICATION

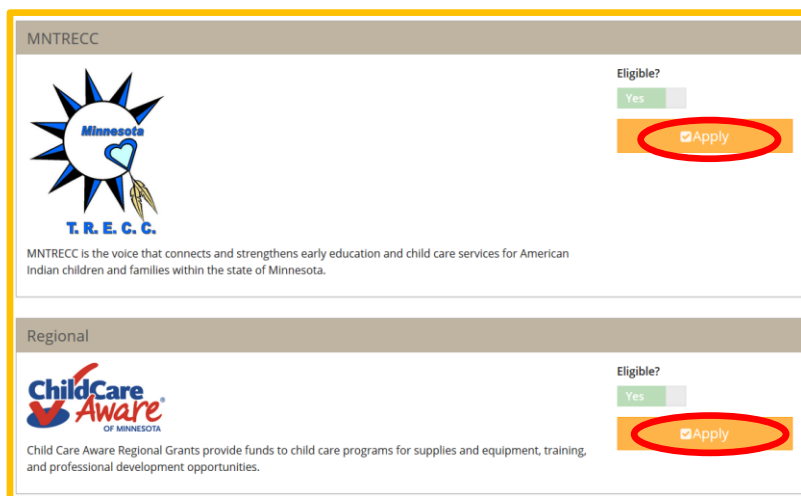
1. Log into Develop at www.developoolmn.org with your email address and password. Select your Organization Profile from the context menu.
NOTE: You will only see your Organization Profile if you have registered or been given access to it. Contact the Help Desk for support, if needed.



2. Click the **Quality** tab, then the **Apply** sub-tab.



3. Scroll to the bottom of the page. If you want to apply for a MNTRECC grant, click **Apply** next to the MNTRECC option. If you want to apply for a Regional grant, click **Apply** next to the Child Care Aware Regional grant option.



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You will be taken through the pages of the grant application. You can click **Save and Exit** to save what you have entered and return at a later time, or **Exit Application** to leave the application without saving. To the best of your ability, enter complete information.

4. On the first page, update your contact information, if needed. Click **Next** when done.

#123707
One World One Family One Heart Family Child Care LLC

Save and Exit Exit Application

Contact Info ID Numbers Accreditation Enrollment Address Participation Terms

Contact Information

Email Address*
ABC123@email.com

First Name* Last Name*
ABC 123

Phone Ext.
952 - 555 - 1234

Next

5. On the Organization Identification page, update information about your program and the type(s) of care and education offered to children. You must answer **Yes** or **No** to all questions. Click **Next** when done.

A pop-up window will appear, asking you to confirm that you have entered all relevant identification numbers for your program. If you are sure you have entered everything, click **Continue**. Otherwise, click **Go Back** to review your selections.

Attention!

It is extremely important that you provide all relevant Program IDs before proceeding with this application. If your program is part of Head Start or is affiliated with state-funded PreK, please ensure you provided that information on the previous screen. Program administrators must have complete information about your program in order to ensure you have access to the appropriate resources and support.

Go Back Continue

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6. Enter or review the information on the Accreditation tab, if relevant to your program. When done, click **Next**.

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Save and Exit Exit Application

Contact Info ID Numbers **Accreditation** Enrollment Address Participation Terms

Program Accreditation + Accreditation

National Association for Family Child Care (NAFCC)
ID 31255 / Effective Apr 2013 / Expires Apr 2015 / 0 / ✓ Verified

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7. On the Program Enrollment page, enter or update the number of children your program serves by age group, race, languages spoken, and high needs. Your program will be awarded points based on the age group(s) and population(s) you serve. Enter 0 if your program does not serve any children in a particular group.

Program Enrollment

Enter the number of children by age group for which you provide care. In addition enter the number of high needs children in each age group. A child should be counted as "high needs" if meets one or more of the following criteria: children from low-income families (at or below 200% poverty rate) or otherwise in need of special assistance and support: Including children with disabilities or developmental delays, who are English Language Learners, who reside on "Indian lands", who are migrant, homeless or in foster care.

Number of Classrooms / Groups

Total Number of Children Enrolled **8**

Infants	<input type="text" value="2"/>	High Needs	<input type="text" value="1"/>
Toddlers	<input type="text" value="2"/>	High Needs	<input type="text" value="1"/>
Preschoolers	<input type="text" value="3"/>	High Needs	<input type="text" value="1"/>
School Age	<input type="text" value="1"/>	High Needs	<input type="text" value="1"/>

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- a. Enter or update the kind of programming offered, such as part-day, full-day, part-week, full-week, evenings, and weekends. Your program will be awarded points based on the type(s) programming you offer. When done, click **Next**.

Race of Children Enrolled

American Indian/Alaskan Native	<input type="text" value="1"/>	Percent	12%
Asian/Pacific Islander	<input type="text" value="1"/>	Percent	12%
Black/African American	<input type="text" value="3"/>	Percent	37%
Hispanic/Latino	<input type="text" value="0"/>	Percent	0%
Bi/Multi-Racial	<input type="text" value="3"/>	Percent	37%
White	<input type="text" value="2"/>	Percent	25%

Number of enrolled children speaking English as a second language?
 Percent 0%

What kind of programming does your Organization offer? (Select all that apply)

- Part day (less than 5 hours per day)
- Full day (5 or more hours per day)
- Part week (less than 5 days per week)
- Full week (5 or more days per week)
- Evenings (after 6pm)
- Weekends (Saturday and/or Sunday)
- No Selection

When is your program open and serving children? (Please choose the one answer that best fits.)

Full calendar year

If your program closes (is not serving children) for two or more consecutive weeks at any time during the year, please describe below when your program is closed. Please be as specific as possible.

This program is closed during the following timeframe each year:

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- Update your physical address and/or phone number, if needed.

NOTE: This will only change the address or phone number for Develop, not licensing. If you need to edit or update your address or phone number for licensing, contact your licensor.

Click **Next** when done.

Physical Address

Address Line 1* Line 2

Zip* City* State*

County* Country


Phone* - -

Fax - -

Primary Website

Additional Info

Enter any additional information about your organization that you would like to appear on this web site.

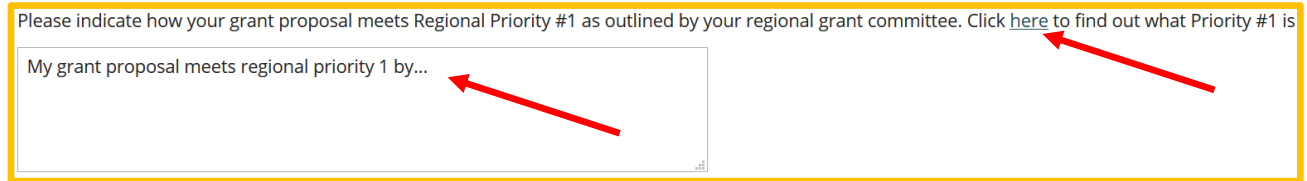


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9. On the Participation page, respond to the priority questions. Click the link in the text to see this year's priorities.

Please indicate how your grant proposal meets Regional Priority #1 as outlined by your regional grant committee. Click [here](#) to find out what Priority #1 is

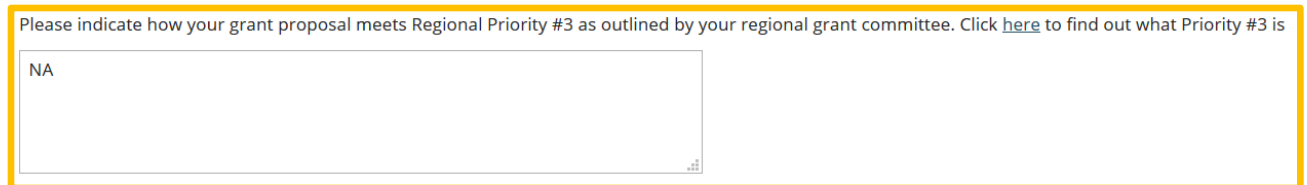
My grant proposal meets regional priority 1 by...



- a. NOTE: You must enter a response for each priority text box. If you do not have anything to enter, type **NA**. Priority questions are scored on a scale of 1-5. If you type NA, this question will be given a score of 1 by the three Grant Reviewers assigned to score your application.

Please indicate how your grant proposal meets Regional Priority #3 as outlined by your regional grant committee. Click [here](#) to find out what Priority #3 is

NA



10. When you have entered responses into each of the priority textboxes, you will begin adding your expenditure requests (what you want to purchase if your grant is funded). Click **+Expenditure** to begin adding your requested items.

Expenditures

Click the add button to add expenditures to the proposed expenditure list.

Expenditure Totals	
Program Contribution	\$0.00
Grant Request	\$0.00
Total Investment	\$0.00

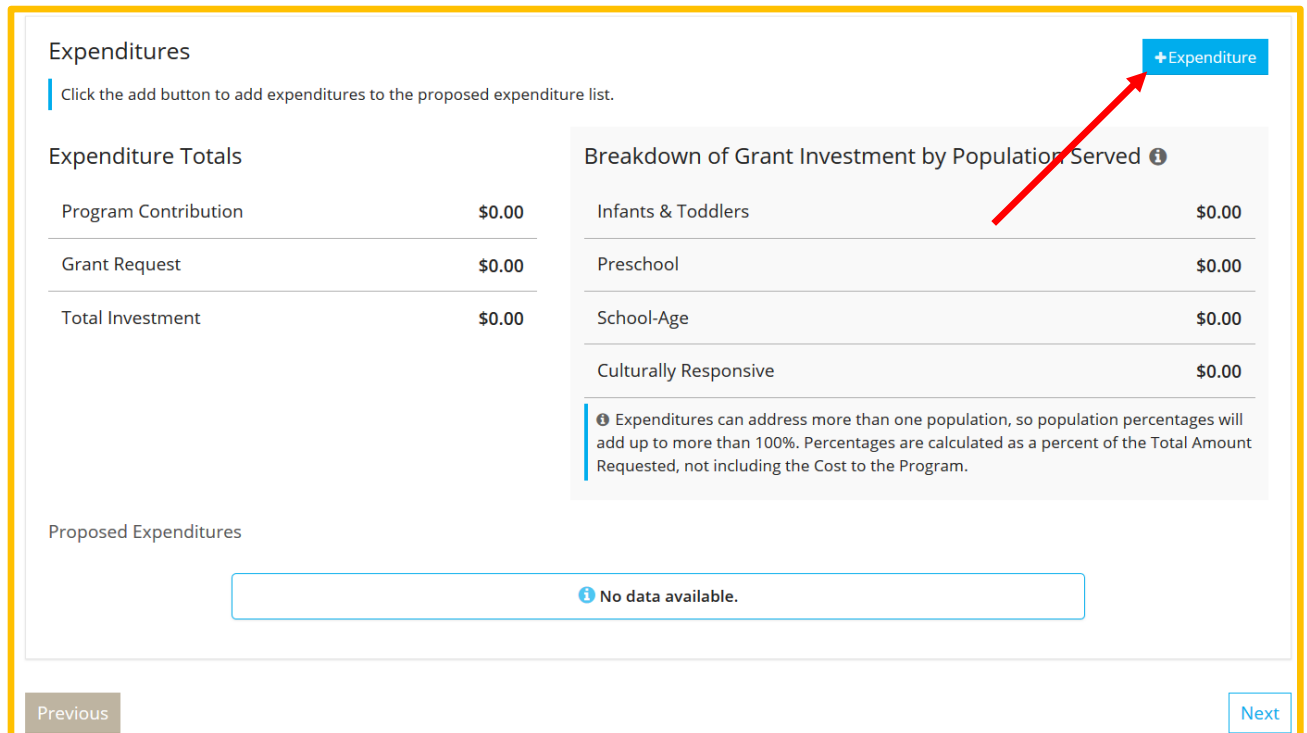
Breakdown of Grant Investment by Population Served ⓘ	
Infants & Toddlers	\$0.00
Preschool	\$0.00
School-Age	\$0.00
Culturally Responsive	\$0.00

ⓘ Expenditures can address more than one population, so population percentages will add up to more than 100%. Percentages are calculated as a percent of the Total Amount Requested, not including the Cost to the Program.

Proposed Expenditures

No data available.

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11. A pop-up window will appear, asking you to enter the details of what you want to buy.

NOTE: Use the grant guide to help you fill in the requested information, including how to group the items you want to buy into expenditure requests. If you need a copy of the grant guide, contact your Grant Administrator.

- a. **Category:** This is a drop-down menu of the Parent Aware Indicator categories. Select the category that best fits the item(s) you want to purchase.
- b. **Indicator:** This is a drop-down menu of the Indicators within the Parent Aware category you selected. Select the Indicator that best fits the item(s) you want to purchase. You can select 'Other' if no Indicator fits well, or change the Category to see the Indicators within that Category.
- c. **Type:** Select if the expenditure is Materials or Professional Development.
- d. **Goal:** Enter the goal you hope to accomplish by getting the materials or completing the professional development.
- e. **Strategy:** Enter the strategy you will use to accomplish your goal.
- f. **Description of Purchase:** Enter the item(s) you will need to accomplish your goal. This should be a list of the items you want the grant to pay for from this Category and Indicator, if awarded. Again, follow the grant guide to help you enter.

+ Expenditures ×

Use the wizard below to add additional expenditure items to the applicable case.

Regional Grant

Category	Indicator
Relationships with Families ▼	R1.2 Shares information with families ▼

Type

Materials ▼

Goal

Improve communication with families

Maximum of 500 characters

Strategy

Purchase items to post notices to families

Maximum of 500 characters

Description of purchase

Dry erase board, magnets, dry erase markers

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- g. Total Cost: Enter the entire cost of all the materials or professional development included in this expenditure request, including tax.
 - h. Amount Requested: Enter the amount you want the grant to pay for, if awarded. Enter only digits and periods, no commas (for example, 2000.00 rather than \$2,000.00).
 - i. Cost to Program: The system will calculate the Total Cost minus the Amount Requested to show what your program would pay. If the Cost to Program field is incorrect, edit the amount(s) in the Total Cost and/or Amount Requested fields.
 - j. Population Served: Check the box(es) to indicate which age group will use or benefit from the items you want to purchase, keeping in mind the age group definitions for your type of program. You must select at least one but can select all three.
 - k. Culturally Responsive: cultural responsiveness is the ability to learn from and relate respectfully with people of your own culture as well as those from other cultures. Check this box if the materials or professional development you want the grant to pay for would increase the cultural responsiveness of your child care program.
12. If you have additional expenditure requests, click **Save & Add Another**. Follow steps 10-11 until you have entered all your expenditure requests, then click **Save & Close**.

The screenshot shows a form with the following fields and options:

- Total Cost:** Input field containing 53.16
- Amount Requested:** Input field containing 53.16
- Cost to Program:** Displayed as \$0, with a note: "Auto-generated based on Total cost minus Amount Requested."
- Population Served:** Three checkboxes: Infants & Toddlers, Preschool, and School-Age. Below these is the text "Select ALL that apply".
- Cultural Responsiveness:** This item is culturally responsive
- Footer:** Two buttons: "Save & Add Another" (blue) and "Save & Close" (grey). A red arrow points from the top of the "Save & Add Another" button to the top of the "Save & Close" button.

Clicking either "Save" button above adds the action item to the applicable case.

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13. After clicking Save & Close, you will return to the Participation page of the application, where you will see expenditure totals and a breakdown of expenditures by population(s) served. You can add a new expenditure request by clicking **+Expenditure**.

Expenditures

Click the add button to add expenditures to the proposed expenditure list.

[+ Expenditure](#)

Expenditure Totals			Breakdown of Grant Investment by Population Served ⓘ		
Program Contribution	0%	\$10.87	Infants & Toddlers	100%	\$2,510.00
Grant Request	100%	\$2,510.00	Preschool	100%	\$2,510.00
Total Investment		\$2,520.87	School-Age		\$0.00
			Culturally Responsive		\$0.00

ⓘ Expenditures can address more than one population, so population percentages will add up to more than 100%. Percentages are calculated as a percent of the Total Amount Requested, not including the Cost to the Program.

- a. You will see a list of the expenditure requests you have entered. You can remove, but not edit, expenditures you have already entered. Click the red **trash can icon** to delete an expenditure request.

Proposed Expenditures

#28912
Buy TS Gold

Category	Total Cost	Grant Request	Program Contribution
Assessment and Planning for Each Individual Child	\$214.99	\$210.00	\$4.99

[Details](#)

#28913
Buy a curriculum package

Category	Total Cost	Grant Request	Program Contribution
Teaching and Relationships with Children	\$2,305.88	\$2,300.00	\$5.88

[Details](#)

14. When you are completely done responding to the participation questions, click **Next** at the bottom of the page.

15. You will be taken to the Participation Agreement. Read the terms of participation, and check the box **On behalf of my program...** Then, click **Submit**.

On behalf of my program, I consent for my program to participate in the grant application process according to the terms outlined above.

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PART 3: NEXT STEPS

You will receive an automated email confirming that you have successfully applied for a grant.

Your Grant Administrator will assign three independent Grant Reviewers to review and score your grant application.

Your Grant Administrator will contact you around November 1 to let you know whether your grant application has been selected (chosen to receive funding) or waitlisted (not chosen at this time, but may be chosen later in the current fiscal year). You might also receive an auto email from Develop with similar information.

If/when your grant application is selected, use the guide called **Grants – Award Instructions for Programs** available at <https://www.developtoolmn.org/guides.html>.

If/when your grant application is not selected for funding in the current fiscal year, your Grant Administrator will update the grant to denied. Develop will send an automated email with this information as well.