

Child Care Pilot Preliminary Analysis of Santa Clara County FY 2018-2019

Assembly Bill (AB) 2368 authorizes an individualized child care subsidy (the pilot) for Santa Clara County to ensure that funding for child care subsidies in the county address local needs and priorities. The pilot is to meet the early education and child care needs of families in Santa Clara County through policies that support low-income families and promote stable care. The pilot will also expand subsidized care by implementing policies that improve reimbursement rates for contractors, promote contractor retention, and reduce unearned contract funds. In 2018, Santa Clara's Pilot Plan and Pilot Reimbursement Rate for CCTR and CSPP were approved. This analysis details preliminary findings from the first full fiscal year of the pilot's implementation (2018-2019).

Of the Children Newly Enrolled in the 2018-2019 Fiscal Year, the Total Number in the Pilot Income Threshold Range:
1,380
 Total Amount of Earned Pilot Contract Funds:
\$47,775,256

Key Findings from FY 2018-2019

The largest share of children (4,309) were enrolled in Alternative Payment Programs

Contract Type	Number of Children Receiving Care
California State Preschool Program (CSPP)	3,841
Center Based Child Care (CCTR)	1,667
Migrant Child Care (MIG)	184
Family Child Care Home Education Network (FCC)	227

The second largest share of children were enrolled in CSPP programs which explains why the largest share of the children served (40%) are between three and five years old.

Source: April 801A data provided by contractors.

A majority (75%) of children that received childcare were Hispanic/Latino.

Source: April 801A data provided by contractors.

Most parents and guardians listed 'seeking employment' as their primary reason for receiving childcare.

Reasons for Receiving Services	CSPP	CCTR	CFCC	CMIG	AP	Total
Both Employment and Education/Vocational Training	53	57	3	0	55	168
Child Protective Services or Risk	3	4	0	0	141	148

OVERVIEW OF CDE/ CHILDCARE AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS

The Budget Act of 2015 appropriated \$2.4 billion for the California Department of Education's (CDE) Child Development Programs in a mix of 76 percent state funds and 24 percent federal funds. Approximately 1,300 contracts are dispersed through approximately 713 public and private agencies statewide to support and provide services to almost 400,000 children.

Local Child Care and Development Planning Councils

Local child care and development planning councils (LPCs) support the overall coordination of child care services in each of the 58 counties. The LPCs are mandated to conduct assessments of county child care needs and to prepare plans to address identified needs. These assessments must contain information on the supply and demand for child care, including the need for both subsidized and nonsubsidized care.

General Child Care & Development: Center Based Child Care (CCTR) & Family Child Care Home Education

Networks (CFCC)

General child care and development programs are state and federally funded programs that use centers and family child care home networks operated or administered by either public or private agencies and local educational agencies. These agencies provide child development services for children from birth through 12 years of age and older children with exceptional needs. These programs provide an educational component that is developmentally, culturally, and linguistically appropriate for the children served. The programs also provide meals and snacks to children, parent education, referrals to health and social services for families, and staff development opportunities to employees.

Migrant Child Care and Development

Migrant child care and development programs provide services to families who earn at least 50 percent of their total gross income from employment in fishing, agriculture or agriculturally related work during the twelve month period immediately preceding the date of application.

Migrant Program (MIG)

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California State Preschool Program (CSPP)

Assembly Bill 2759 (Chapter 308, Statutes of 2008) created the California State Preschool program. This program consolidated the funding for State Preschool, Prekindergarten and Family Literacy, and General Child Care centered programs serving eligible three and four-year-old children to create the California State Preschool Program, the largest state-funded preschool program in the nation. The program provides both part-day and full-day services that provides a core class curriculum that is developmentally, culturally, and linguistically appropriate for the children served. The program also provides meals and snacks to children, parent education, referrals to health and social services for families, and staff development opportunities to employees. The program is administered through local educational agencies, colleges, community agencies, and private nonprofit agencies.