

Child Care Investment Partnership – Borderplex Discussion Paper

1 **Background**

2 On December 1, 2020, the Texas Workforce Commission’s (TWC) three-member Commission
3 (Commission) approved \$5 million in Child Care Development Fund (CCDF) statewide funds
4 for implementation of the Child Care Investment Partnership (CCIP) program. This was a result
5 of many private stakeholders voicing an interest in investing in the early childhood education
6 system to help build a strong foundation of support for the future workforce.
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8 The CCIP program provides a 100 percent match of cash contributions from local partners
9 (private employers, corporate foundations, philanthropic organizations, local government)
10 leveraging funds for activities that improve the quality of child care (excluding direct child care
11 services) such as the following:
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- 13 • Apprenticeship
- 14 • Family child care
- 15 • Pre-K partnerships
- 16 • Business support
- 17 • Wage supplementation or stipends
- 18 • COVID-19 response/recovery
- 19 • Program capacity expansion
- 20 • Local child care studies

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22 Local Workforce Development Boards (Boards) partnering with donor organizations may submit
23 applications to TWC detailing how they would like to invest these funds in local efforts to
24 improve the quality of child care. CCIP requires that donor funds be donated to TWC and
25 accepted by the Commission as CCDF funds to allow TWC to leverage the donations for
26 potential draw down of additional federal CCDF matching funds. TWC then grants the total
27 project funds (donated funds plus TWC’s 100 percent matching contribution) to the Board for
28 administration of the approved CCIP project.
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30 **Issue**

31 Staff have reviewed and approved Workforce Solutions Borderplex proposed CCIP that will
32 allow the Board to expand high quality child care in the Alpine region. Donors include Brewster
33 County, City of Alpine, Permian Basin Foundation and Sul Ross.
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35 **Decision Point**

36 Staff recommends the Commission accept the following donations and match agreements as
37 required by CCDF rules:

- 38 • Brewster County: \$50,000
- 39 • City of Alpine: \$25,000
- 40 • Permian Basin Foundation: \$50,000
- 41 • Sul Ross University: \$15,000