



Nevada Early Childhood
Advisory Council



Local ECAC Mini Grants

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ's) Sheet

What are key deliverables?

Definition:

- Deliverables in a grant are the products or services that result from a grant-funded project. They are a way to show that the grant funds were used effectively. Deliverables are the results of a grant-funded project
- They can be tangible or intangible, include products, services, data, or work done that shows the accomplishments of the Grant Funding used effectively.

Examples of Deliverables:

- Newsletters, Publications created with grant funds, Survey data from your community, Items or materials that are produced as a product of using the Mini Grant Funding

What is a Fiscal Agent or Fiscal Organization?

A **Fiscal Agent** or **Fiscal Organization** receives and is responsible for grant funds on your behalf

Are there any qualifications for Local ECACs to participate?

Qualifications:

1. Active or Inactive Local ECAC of Nevada
2. Align Goals/Objectives with Nevada Early Childhood Advisory Council Commitments and Strategic Plan to make a positive difference supporting the ECC Community.
3. Encourage connections within the Early Childhood System

What are the PDG B-5 Goals?

PDG B-5 Goals:

1. Parents and families engage in a comprehensive B-5 system that is intuitive and useful in a way that works for them and empowers their role as their child's first and most important teacher.
2. The Early Childhood Care & Education (ECCE) workforce feels valued in their profession, is supported by the system, and chooses to enter and stay in the field as a career.
3. Strengthened ECCE systems infrastructure enhances mutual respect and shared understanding of best practices and research-based child development and education.
4. Access to high-quality ECCE settings enable children to thrive in developmentally appropriate care and learning environments throughout the early learning continuum of Birth through 3rd grade (or 0-8).
5. Data-informed decision making and evaluation inform the continuous quality improvement of all components of the ECCE system, including the statewide strategic plan, with a central focus on equity and equitable outcomes for vulnerable populations.

What is the collaboration structure for the project?

Grant Collaboration with the Local ECAC can include:

- Nevada ECAC and The Children's Cabinet
- External Team and Partners
- Vendors who will be relevant to their projects and goals



- Early Childhood Workforce
- Early Childhood System
- Early Childhood Community Partners

How will the success of the attainable objectives be measured?

Success can be measured and reported to Nevada ECAC in a variety of ways, including:

- Progress in reaching out and gaining more participation from families
- Feedback from community sources (surveys or other sources) after an event or project completion
- Verbal shares at General ECAC meetings outlining accomplishments and progression (Required)
- Bi-Monthly reporting of progress made (Required)
- Feedback from Surveys or Data collected and analyzed, reported to Nevada ECAC

Should changes in my “Scope of Work” be communicated to anyone?

1. Inform the Nevada ECAC contacts of any changes in your Scope of Work, Goals and/or Objectives to make sure that they are/can be approved
2. For financial challenges or changes, inform The Children’s Cabinet contact.

How are applications for the Local ECAC Mini Grant being evaluated?

Applications are evaluated based on:

- Applicants meeting all requirements outlined in the RFP Local ECAC Mini Grant Guidelines.
- Submission of all documents requested within the Application that are applicable
- Clear connections between Local ECAC Goals and objectives and the Nevada ECAC Commitments and/or Strategic Plan, as well as PDG B-5 Initiatives.

What is the Preschool Development Grant Birth-5 (PDG B-5)?

The Nevada Department of Education (NDE), Office of Early Learning and Development(OELD) was awarded a \$30 million Federal Preschool Development Grant Birth Through 5 (PDG B-5) Renewal Grant.

1. Purpose: To strengthen Nevada's Early Childhood Comprehensive System
2. Collaboration: Building partnerships with stakeholders and families.

Many of Nevada’s early childhood serving agencies and organizations are united under the work of the Nevada Early Childhood Advisory Council (Nevada ECAC) and its Statewide Strategic Vision: Nevada's children will be safe, healthy, and thriving during the first eight years of life, and the system will support children and families in achieving their full potential

Websites and Links for Reference:

Local ECAC Mini Grant Web-page and Application <https://nvecac.com/local-councils/local-ecac-mini-grant/>

PDG B-5 Website: <https://doe.nv.gov/oeld/pdg-renewal-grant/home/>

Nevada ECAC Website: nvecac.com

General ECAC Meeting Information: <https://nvecac.com/meeting-information/>

Nevada ECAC Strategic Plan:

https://nvecac.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/02/NECAC2022_2024StrategicPlanFINAL.pdf

The Children's Cabinet: <https://www.childrencabinet.org/>