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Press Release

VIDHS Office of Child Care and Regulatory Services announces final American Rescue Plan Act Child Care Stabilization Grant application period

U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS – The Virgin Islands Department of Human Services Office of Child Care and Regulatory Services announces the final American Rescue Plan Act Child Care Stabilization Grant application period. The grants are available to licensed, regulated, or registered child care providers in the Territory that obtained their certification no later than March 11, 2021. Grant award amounts are determined by the child care providers' presented, verified need.

These grants are made available to assist with wages and benefits, insurance, rent, mortgage, utilities, cleaning and sanitizing, professional development related to health and safety, mental health services and other operational expenses necessary to remain open and operating. At the time of application, providers must have met the OCCRS health and safety requirements including trainings and comprehensive criminal background checks.

To obtain an application please visit the Child Care and Regulatory Services page on the DHS website at www.dhs.gov.vi/occrs/index.html where it is available for download or visit the Office of Child Care and Regulatory Services on St. Thomas at the Knud Hansen Complex at Hospital Ground or 129 Golden Rock on St. Croix. You may also call (340)772-7147 (St. Croix) or (340)774-0930 ext. 4186 (St. Thomas) for further information.

For more information, please visit the Department of Human Services website, www.dhs.gov.vi or on Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/usvidhs>).

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The Bryan-Roach Administration is investing in the Territory's people, infrastructure, and future through transparency, stabilizing the economy, restoring trust in the government, and ensuring that recovery projects are completed as quickly as possible. Visit transparency.vi.gov.

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