



Durham Technical Community College
Drop-In Learning Centers

August 2022 through December 2022

DTCC Learning Centers Continuation

In 2021, Kate's Korner successfully provided distance learning, summer camps, and after-school programs throughout COVID-19 to over 270 children and 150 families. The previous enrichment programs provided academic support to families that would not otherwise have the resources for additional childcare and/or tutoring enhancements.

The learning centers and summer camps provided a safe and clean environment where children's social-emotional, physical, dietary, and academic needs will be met. Tutorial services had an emphasis on math, reading, and science. Further, behavioral health services were made available to students. The model shifted in 2022 to focus on drop-in childcare for Durham Technical Community College students, Durham Housing Authority and Families Moving Forward residents. Traditional summer camps happened from June to early August, with over 80 students being served during the summer.

Durham County Government's continued support to high quality child care is making a difference in the lives of families throughout the community. For some DTCC students, quality child care is often a barrier due to the cost, which can often delay students from completing coursework. DTCC students who are currently receive childcare assistance often work part-time and/or full-time.



Last fall, Durham Tech’s child care grant recipients had an average household income of nearly \$1,600 a month, with an average household size of 2.5 people. With escalating cost for housing, utilities and other necessities, there was often very little left to cover childcare cost. Continued support to the drop in childcare services support needed for families that are homeless and working in non-traditional work schedules. As such, these residents often require flexible childcare schedules. According to Families Moving Forward data, 60% of the parents residing at Families Moving Forward fall into this category and cannot leave their children unattended while pursuing employment or attending school. If their work hours fall outside of transitional childcare hours (9 am – 3 pm), parents residing at the shelter often forfeit employment or educational opportunities, furthering their length of stay in the shelter.



Data demonstrates clearly that black and brown children, and children with disabilities, are being disproportionately affected by the negative impacts of COVID-19. Moreover, problems related to learning loss and lack of socialization during the pandemic will impact children for years to come. Research-based interventions and educational support can significantly reduce the current opportunity gap. Continued community investments in high quality child care can help change impact the long-term social and economic impact of the lives of the children and their families.



The current proposal seeks funding to continue learning support services from August 15, 2022, through December 21, 2022, for DTCC students. Program cost including in-kind donations, totals \$191,186. Durham County Government is requested to support \$167,186 of the expense.



Further, in-kind contributions from Families Moving Forward, Durham Technical Community College and Kate’s Korner will support the program budget.

Recruitment efforts for the program occur through social media, DTCC Student Service's web page and Kate's Korner website. The information link students to Durham Tech’s web page and gives step-by-steps procedures required to enroll into the program. Kate's Korner welcomes the chance to continue the partnership with Durham County Government, DTCC and Families Moving Forward to help change the trajectory of children and families within the Durham community.



Budget Details

Revenues

Durham County Government	167,186 (Cash Contribution)
Durham Technical Community College	12,500 (In-Kind and Cash Contributions)
<u>Kate’s Korner</u>	<u>11,500 (In-Kind and Cash Contributions)</u>
Total Revenues	\$191,186

Expenses*

Tuition for 60 students	173,186 (\$12/hrs., 4hr daily, 5 days a week)
Registration	5,000 (\$50 per child and \$75/per family)
Food/Materials	6,500 (In-Kind)
<u>Facilities</u>	<u>6,500 (In-Kind)</u>
Total Expenses	\$191,186

**Transportation services will be supported by Kate’s Korner and Families Moving Forward.*

