Application

Philadelphia’s “Quarter Back for Local” is a city-wide grant for early care and education (ECE) centers. It is an opportunity to be paid 25 cents for every reimbursable meal that includes Pennsylvania-grown fruits and/or vegetables. You must be currently participating as a sponsor/fiscal agent in the CACFP, be located in Philadelphia, and serve 50 or more children to be eligible for this grant.

Eligibility, Contact Information, and Population Served

Early Care and Education Site Name:

Is your ECE site a sponsor of the CACFP? Meaning: Do you receive reimbursement directly from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for your child nutrition program?

Sponsor Agreement Number:

Food Service Contact Name:

Telephone:

Email:

Second Contact Name:

Telephone:

Email:

Number of Children Served:

What percentage of children in your program are eligible for free or reduced price meals (can insert a link to a definition of eligibility)? (check one)

- 0%
- 1-9%
- 10-24%
- 25-49%
- 50-74%
- 75-99%
- 100%

What percentage of children in your program identify as each race? (total must add to 100%)

American Indian/Alaska Native ____%
Asian ____%
Black/African American ____%
Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander ____%
White ____%
More than one race ____%
Other race ____%

What percentage of children in your program identify as each ethnicity? (total must add to 100%)

Hispanic or Latinx ____%
Not Hispanic or Latinx ____%

Meals Provided Daily:
    Number of Breakfasts:
    Number of Lunches:
    Number of Suppers:

**Background & Readiness**

Did you purchase Pennsylvania-grown fruits and vegetables during the 2021-2022 school year? Y/N/Unsure

Please estimate the dollar amount spent on Pennsylvania-grown fruits and vegetables during the 2021-2022 school year:

Please check the Pennsylvania-grown fruit and vegetables you purchased during the last school year:
Sweet Potatoes
Mushrooms
Leafy Greens
Asparagus
Strawberries
Beets
Tomatoes
Peppers
Apples
Winter Squash
Cabbage
Broccoli
Potatoes
Other (please specify)
Check the type of vendor(s) from which you purchase Pennsylvania-grown fruits and vegetables:
Direct Farm
Farmers Market
Food Hub or Farmer Cooperative
Broadline Distributor
Produce Distributor
Grocery Store
Other (please specify)
None

Please describe your team’s background and readiness regarding purchasing Pennsylvania-grown fruits and vegetables. What would help you start or expand purchases of Pennsylvania-grown fruits and vegetables?

Additional Farm to ECE Activities

What farm to ECE activities has your ECE site participated in within the last year? Check all that apply.
Planted or worked with children in an edible garden at your site
Conducted field trips to farms, gardens, and/or farmers markets
Hosted a farmer visit
Hosted a chef visit
Held taste tests and/or cooking demonstration of locally produced foods
Held taste tests and/or cooking demonstrations of garden grown food
Celebrated National Farm to School Month (October)
Hosted farm to ECE related community events (including families)
Educated children about locally grown food, how food grows and/or where it comes from
Served locally grown food in meals, snacks, or taste tests
Worked with local producers/processors to develop a specific food product using local food for your site
Promoted locally produced foods in general at the site (e.g. via signs, posters)
Hosted a special event or day related to food and farms
Facilitated children’s families access to locally grown foods at home
Other (please specify):

Please describe the above activities checked. This is a chance to share about the depth and quality of farm to ECE activities rather than the number/quantity of activities.

Please describe current partnerships related to farm to ECE:

Goals & Future Plans
What amount of funding do you request? Please multiply the number of meals you plan to serve from October 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023 that will include a Pennsylvania grown product by .25. Please see supplementary materials for examples.

Please describe your future goals related to purchasing, serving and highlighting Pennsylvania-grown items on your menus:

Please describe your future goals related to farm to ECE activities at your site:

Please share how the funding from this program could help you reach your goals.