Preschool Development Grants

WHAT ARE PRESCHOOL DEVELOPMENT GRANTS?

Preschool Development Grants support states to (1) build or enhance their infrastructure to provide high-quality preschool programs, and (2) expand high-quality preschool programs in high-need communities. These States will serve as models for expanding preschool to all 4-year-olds from low- and moderate-income families.

Preschool Development Grantees plan to:

- Create or expand high-quality preschool programs in high-need communities;
- Implement state-level infrastructure and quality improvements;
- Collaborate with selected programs and ensure strong partnerships between school districts and other early learning providers;
- Align preschool programs within a birth-through-third-grade continuum of services; and
- Create sustainable programs by coordinating existing early learning funds.

There are two types of Preschool Development Grants:

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Development Grants

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States with Development Grants have ambitious and achievable plans to implement and sustain high-quality preschool programs that can reach and serve additional eligible children in one or more high-need communities.

Up to 35 percent of the Development Grant award may be used for state-level infrastructure and quality improvements.

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Expansion Grants

Expansion Grants are for states that currently serve 10 percent or more of four-year-olds or have received a Race to the Top – Early Learning Challenge (RTT-ELC) grant.

States with Expansion Grants have ambitious and achievable plans to implement and sustain high-quality preschool programs that can reach and serve additional eligible children in two or more high-need communities.

Up to 5 percent of the Expansion Grant award may be used for state-level infrastructure and quality improvements.

2014 GRANT AWARDS

DEVELOPMENT GRANTS

AL	$17,500,000
AZ	$20,000,000
HI	$ 2,074,059
MT	$10,000,000
NV	$ 6,405,860

EXPANSION GRANTS

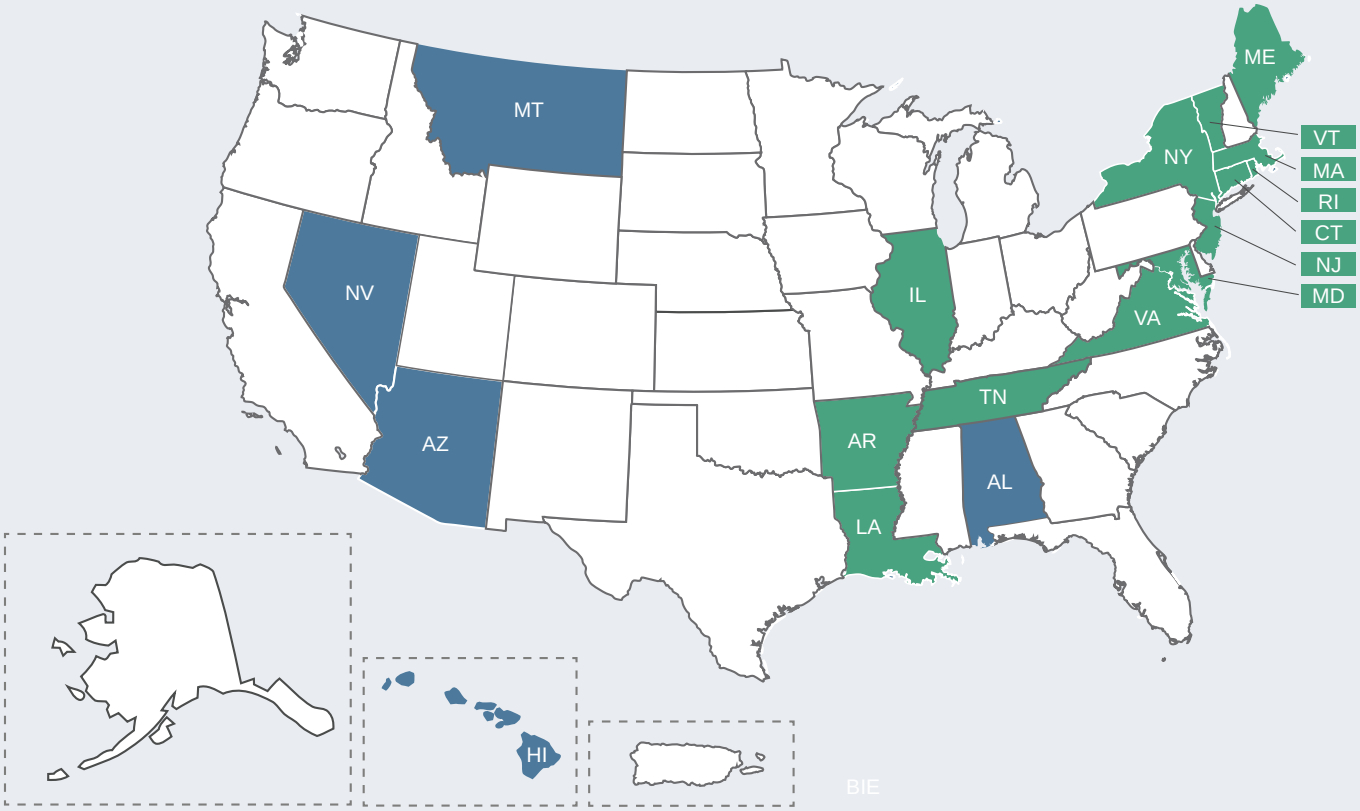
AR	$14,993,000	NJ	$17,498,115
CT	$12,499,000	NY	$24,991,372
IL	$20,000,000	RI	$ 2,290,840
LA	$ 2,437,982	TN	$17,500,000
ME	$ 3,497,319	VT	$ 7,231,681
MD	$15,000,000	VA	$17,500,000
MA	$15,000,000		

TOTAL: $226,419,228

Over 18,000 additional children will be served in high-quality preschool programs in Year 1 of the program.

States that received FY 2014 Preschool Development Grants – Development Grants

States that received FY 2014 Preschool Development Grants – Expansion Grants



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