

Office of Early Learning and Development Presentation to the Interim Finance Subcommittee on the Early Childhood Literacy and Readiness Account

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AB400 (2023)

- Established the Early Childhood Literacy and Readiness Account.
- Early Childhood Innovative Literacy Program (ECILP) Grants - to support early childhood literacy and readiness programs.
- Award grants through a competitive application open to local education agencies, sponsors of charter schools, and non-profit organizations.
- Serve children less than 6 years of age.

ECILP Year 1 Grant Totals

- Total funds awarded: \$47,400,073
- Number of applications received*: 78
- Number of applications funded*: 59

**Through three rounds of funding*

Opportunity 1 Highlights

Opportunity 1: Funding to expand access to high-quality preschool. This opportunity is open to new and existing Nevada Ready! State Prekindergarten (NR!PK) sub-recipients.

- Funds awarded: \$9,064,955
- Number of applications received: 18
- Number of applications funded: 14
- Allocated number of seats for 4-year-olds: 570
- Allocated number of seats for 3-year-olds: 660

Opportunity 2 Highlights

Opportunity 2: Funding to establish an innovative new program or to expand an existing early literacy program that supports children less than the age of six, their families, and early childhood professionals.

- Funds awarded: \$38,335,117
- Number of applications received: 60
- Number of applications funded: 45
- Five categories: Books to Children, Professional Development, Direct Service, Support Staff, and Family & Community Engagement

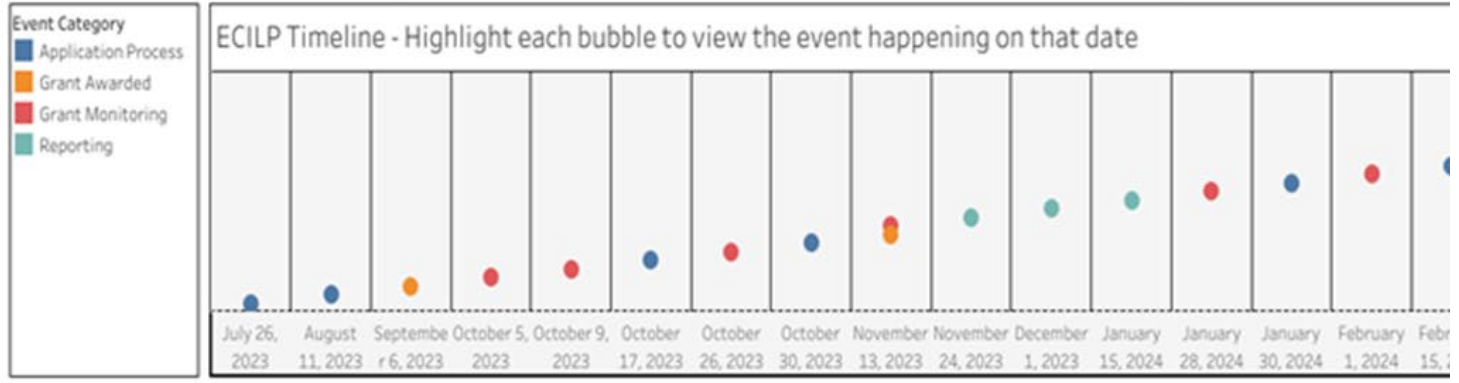
ECILP Dashboard

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This dashboard provides information for the Early Childhood Innovative Literacy Program (ECILP). This grant was created by Nevada Governor Joseph Lombardo in 2023 and is an opportunity that "encourages innovative approaches to early childhood education and prioritizes projects that show success in improving literacy and readiness for children under six years of age, as well as those that serve areas with a higher proportion of children in need."

The dashboard is still a work in progress.

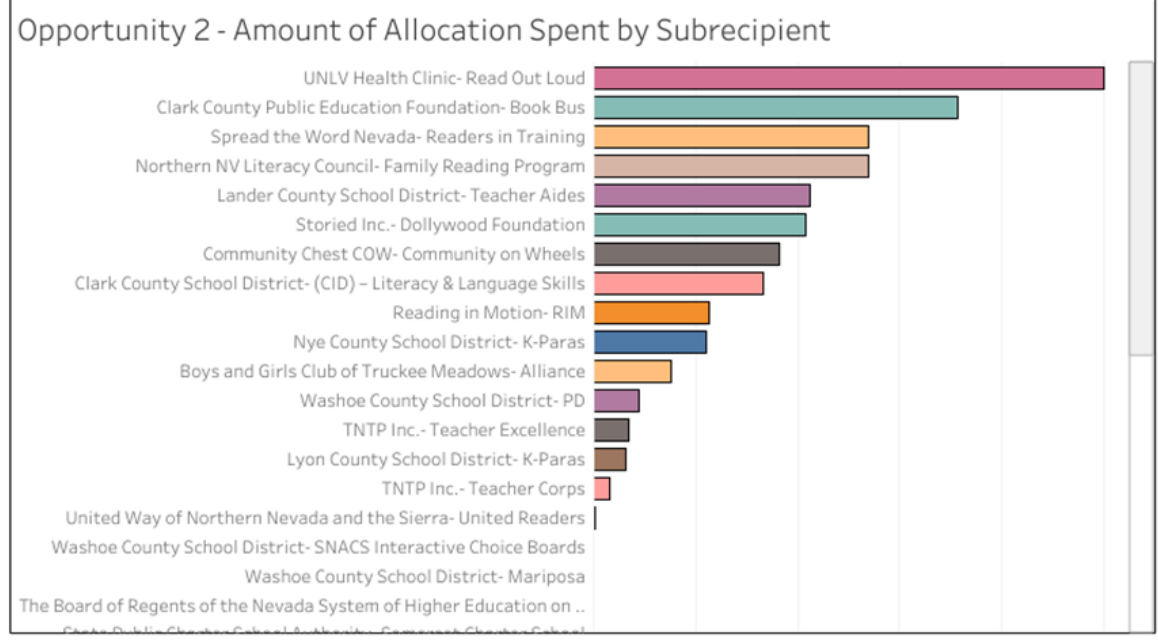
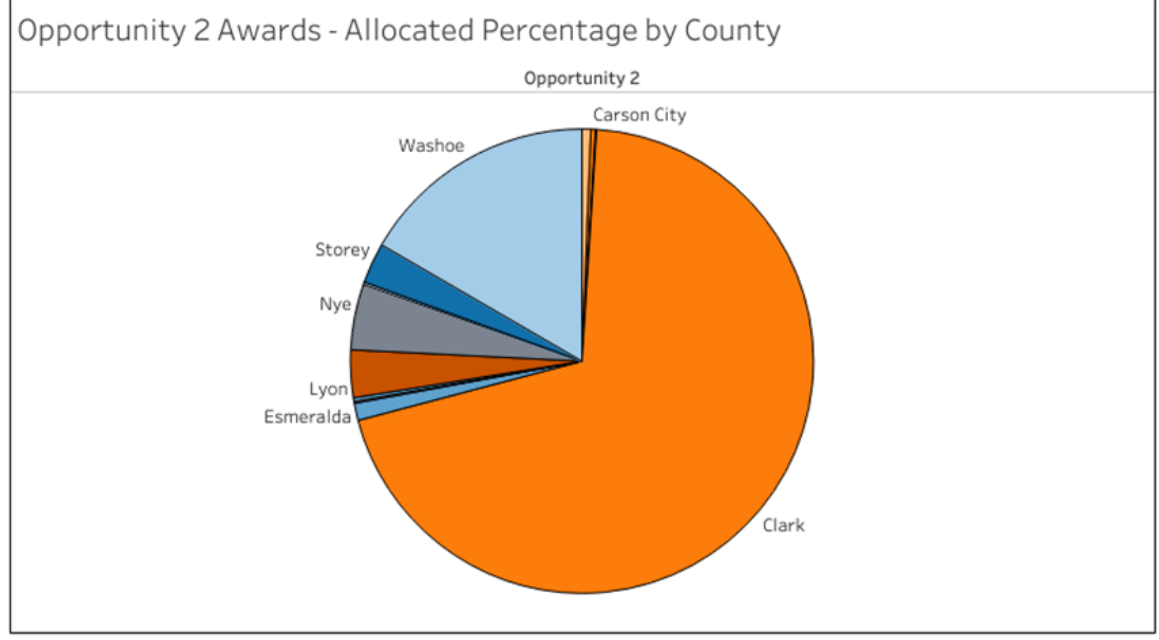
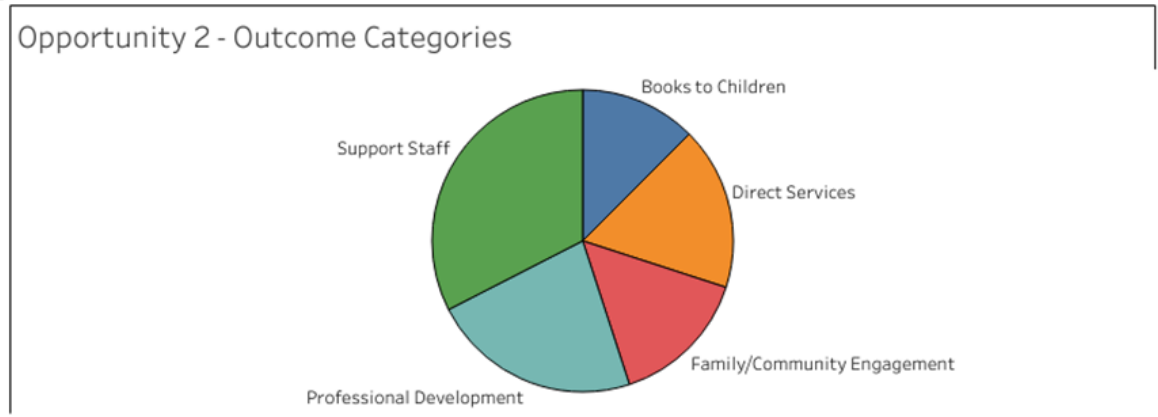
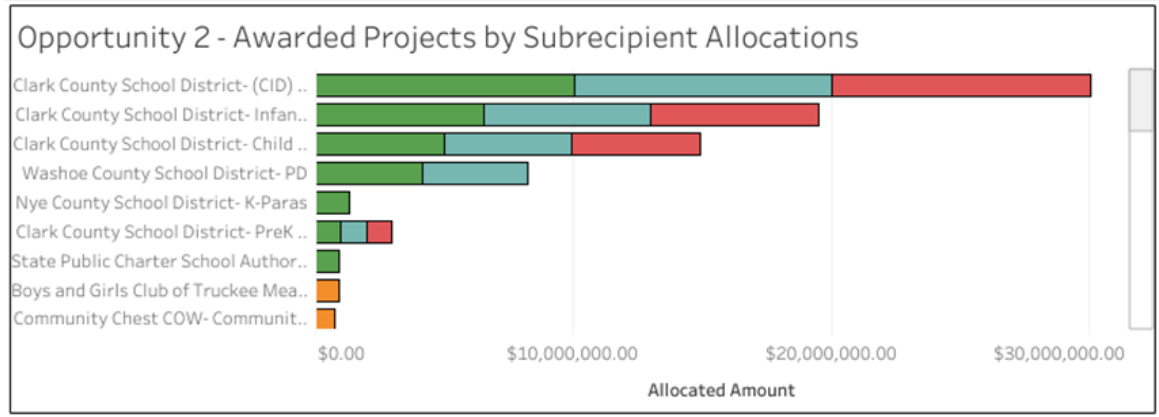
ECILP Year 1 Totals (as of January 2024):		Opportunity 1: funding to expand access to high-quality preschool. This opportunity is open to new and existing Nevada Ready! State Prekindergarten (NRIPK) sub-recipients.		Opportunity 2: funding to establish an innovative new program or to expand an existing early literacy program that supports children less than the age of six, their families, and early childhood professionals.	
Number of Applicants	45	Number of Applicants	14	Number of Applicants	39
Number of Applications	75	Number of Applications	18	Number of Applications	
Number of Applications Funded	54	Number of Applications Funded	14	Number of Applications Funded	
Remaining Funds (in \$)	23,501,935	Total Awarded (in \$)	9,064,955	Total Awarded (in \$)	
Total Awarded (in \$)	46,498,065				



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Funding Round: All | Awarded Grantees: All

Use the filters to the left to select funding rounds and select ECILP subrecipients for opportunity 2. All funding rounds and subrecipients are selected by default.



Link: [ECILP Dashboard](#)



Changes for Year 2

- Shortened application process for continuation awards
 - Awards have been allocated for fiscal year 2025
- Streamlined competitive application process
 - To open May 6
 - Will close May 30
 - June 1-14 Review applications
 - Funding period July 1, 2024-June 30, 2025

Barriers/Complications

- Timing of competitive application and awards
- Allowable/not allowable expenses
- Limited time to “ramp-up” for new programs
- Funding does not carryforward
- No staff member designated to implement and oversee grant

Questions?

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