

Grant Opportunity - Improving the Lives of Young Children

The Caplan Foundation for Early Childhood supports promising research and development projects to improve the welfare of young children, from infancy through seven years, in the United States. The Foundation's goal is to provide seed money to implement imaginative proposals that exhibit the greatest chance of improving the lives of young children on a national scale.

Support is provided in the following three areas:

- Early Childhood Welfare, including projects that seek to perfect child rearing practices and to identify models that can provide creative, caring environments in which all young children thrive;
- Early Childhood Education and Play, including efforts to improve the quality of early childhood teaching and learning through the development of innovative curricula and research-based pedagogical standards as well as the design of imaginative play materials and learning environments; and
- Parenting Education, including programs that teach parents about developmental psychology, cultural child rearing differences, pedagogy, and issues of health and prenatal care and diet, as well as programs which provide both cognitive and emotional support to parents.

The next **deadline for letters of inquiry is September 30, 2022**. Visit the Foundation's website to access the application guidelines. <https://earlychildhoodfoundation.org/>