



MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

Metro United Way
334 East Broadway
Louisville, KY 40202

Jefferson County Public Schools
3332 Newburg Road
Louisville, Kentucky 40218

This document shall serve as a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) by and between Metro United Way, hereinafter referred to as "MUW" and Jefferson County Public Schools, hereinafter referred to as, "Organization".

1. Project Overview

This project is an effort by the Ready for K Alliance (R4K) to engage partners in the early care and education space to improve outcomes for young children in Jefferson County. R4K's vision, all children enter kindergarten ready to thrive, is supported by three outcome areas: Healthy Development, Family & Caregiver Engagement, and Access & Quality. In alignment with R4K's vision and outcome areas, the Organization will host two events to offer support, resources and education for families with children prenatal to kindergarten. The first event is a Community Baby Shower (focus on families expecting or with children 0-3. The second event is an Incoming Kindergarten Brigance Night, designed to give incoming kindergarten students practice and knowledge regarding being kindergarten ready.

2. Project Deliverables

The Organization agrees to deliver the following services:

- Join Ready for K's listserv and engage with the Ready for K Alliance during and after funding
- Implement the project to achieve goals outlined in proposal (Attachment A)
 - a. Increase access to early childhood resources and supports by connecting families with local organizations that provide services such as health screenings, early intervention, parenting education, and basic needs assistance.
 - b. Increase kindergarten readiness Brigance assessment scores, family engagement and school attendance.
- Submit a written update to MUW at six months (tentatively April 2026) and at one year (tentatively October 2026) following the funding award
- Provide a logo to be used by MUW when recognizing the Organization as a funded partner

3. Estimated Timeframe

The term of this contract shall begin upon signing this MOA and conclude 12 months later.

4. Compensation

The Organization agrees to perform the services described within this MOA and in Attachment A for the amount of \$9,800, as detailed in Attachment B, to be paid within 30 days of this contract being signed by all parties and receipt of an invoice from the Organization to MUW.

5. Terms and Conditions

Confidentiality - All information, data, figures, projections, estimates, developed web content, and/or any similar information shall be considered and kept as the private and privileged records of Metro United Way, INC and may not be divulged to any firm, individual or institution, or used for personal gain, except under the direct authorization of Metro United Way, INC

6. Signatures

The undersigned certify that they are duly elected and authorized officers of Organization and MUW, and that, as such, they are authorized to make or accept this MOA on behalf of Organization or MUW, as applicable, to obligate Organization and MUW to observe all of the terms and conditions placed in this MOA, and in connection with this MOA to make, execute and deliver on behalf of Organization and MUW, as applicable, all other agreements, representations, receipts, reports and other instruments of every kind.

Signature:

Signature:

Date:

Date:

Adria Johnson
President and CEO
Metro United Way

Dr. Brian Yearwood
Superintendent
Jefferson County Public Schools

Proposal

Attachment A

Budget

Attachment B

Metro United Way
Ready for K RFP A - Mini Grants - 2025

Attachment A



For Community Baby Shower (6908693) - Program

Completed on 08/01/2025

Funding Application Questions:

Name of organization requesting funding:

Family Resource Centers - Cluster D - JCPS (20 plus schools represented)

Name of individual completing the RFP:

Anita Roper

Email of individual completing the RFP:

anita.roper@jefferson.kyschools.us

Organization's website:

<https://www.jefferson.kyschools.us/>

Are any additional organizations part of this proposal?: ☐ Yes ☒ No

Provide a description of the project including what activities will be completed within a year of receiving funding. (400 word limit)

The project is twofold, with an event in March and one in June, to offer supports, resources and education for families with children pre-natal to kindergarten. The first event is a Community Baby Shower (focus on families expecting or with children 0-3. The shower will provide free giveaways, resources and referrals through a resource fair, and provide education for expecting and new parents through panel discussion. The targeted attendees is both families in our respective schools and the community at large.

The second event is a Incoming Kindergarten Brigrance Night. This event is designed to give incoming kindergarten students practice and knowledge regarding being kindergarten ready. It is designed to educate parents/guardians on kindergarten readiness skills and encourage them to work with their students at home. Our school district uses the Brigrance Assessment to assess student readiness or need for intervention, and the activities are tied to this assessment. Families also receive materials/supplies to take home for this purpose.

Provide 2-3 goals for the project, how the organization(s) is going to measure progress towards the goals, and describe the measurable impact achieving the goals will have on the early childhood ecosystem. (400 word limit)

1. Increase access to early childhood resources and supports by connecting families with local organizations that provide services such as health screenings, early intervention, parenting education, and basic needs assistance.
2. Increase kindergarten readiness Brigrance assessment scores, family engagement and school attendance.

The outcome for these goals will be measured by sign-ins, Infinite Campus data and post-event evaluative surveys.

We know that "the sooner, the better" applies to learning and development. Beginning with families even before their children are born creates more possibilities. And with more possibilities, families can thrive. Through early intervention and support, we can possibly find ending results of stopping the cycle of poverty, increasing community involvement, creating policy for a diverse society and more. The ending outcomes for the larger society are limitless as our children get a healthy start and growth opportunities.

How does this project align with Ready for K's vision, all children enter kindergarten ready to thrive? (200 word limit)

This project aligns perfectly with the goal of all of our children entering kindergarten ready to thrive. Thriving is not reached by basic mastery of skills, checking boxes to pass children on, "just getting by". Thriving is reached through investing in children even before they are born to give them every opportunity to grow and learn in healthy ways. It is reached through empowering families and providing resources and supports. This is our goal through this intentional project, reaching families with children pre-natal to 5.

How does this project align with at least one of Ready for K's outcome areas, Healthy Development, Access & Quality, or Family & Caregiver Engagement? (200 word limit)

This project aligns with all three areas. With focus on Healthy Development, our project aims to educate and offer resources for and connection with supports in healthcare and behavioral health, including developmental screening. Improving access to high-quality care and educational opportunities is the heart of the Community Baby Shower. Our project also aligns with family/caregiver engagement. From teaching new parents/guardians how to engage with their infant to promote robust growth and development to teaching parents/guardians how to assist their children in being school ready to encouraging parents/guardians the importance of their engagement with on-going education, we hope to increase their involvement.

Is there anything else you would like to share? (optional) (200 word limit)

This is something our cluster has been working on for several years. We are hoping that this grant will enable us to transition these events/this project to the next level, showing significant increase in school readiness and family engagement. Post-COVID pandemic, efforts to improve growth and academic performance from womb to kindergarten

Metro United Way

Ready for K RFP A - Mini Grants - 2025



must be a focus to help us recover and thrive, getting us back to high standards and expectations, creating limitless opportunity and potential.

What is the project funding request?: \$9,800.00

Upload a project budget including how funding will be broken down between partners, if applicable:

Early Learning Grant Budget.docx

Early Learning Grant Budget

Community Baby Shower Budget - Event date March 21, 2026

1. Books, manipulatives, and learning games appropriate for ages 0–3 - \$2000
2. Panel speaker stipends - $\$100 \times 3 = \300
3. Food - \$2000
4. Advertisement and signage - \$1500

Total for event = \$5800

Kindergarten Brigrance Night Budget - Event date June 13, 2026

1. Activity books, manipulatives and learning games appropriate for ages 4-5 - \$2000
2. Signage - \$500
3. Food - \$1500

Total for event = \$4000

Project total - \$9800