The Preschool Development Grants fund two types of grants:

DEVELOPMENT GRANTS

- Development Grants are for states that currently serve less than 10 percent of four-year-olds and have not received a Race to the Top – Early Learning Challenge grant.
- States with Development Grants are required to implement and sustain high-quality preschool programs in high-need communities.
- A minimum of 65 percent of the award must be used to implement high-quality preschool programs.

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 grant.
- States with Expansion Grants are required to implement and sustain high-quality preschool programs in high-need communities.
- A minimum of 95 percent of the award must be used to implement high-quality preschool programs.

For more information about the Preschool Development and Expansion Grant Technical Assistance Program, log on to the program website www.pdgta.org or http://ceelo.org/pde-ta.

U.S. Department of Education
Office of Early Learning
http://www2.ed.gov/programs/preschooldevelopmentgrants/index.html

PRESCHOOL DEVELOPMENT GRANTS PROGRAM

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WHAT IS THE PRESCHOOL DEVELOPMENT GRANTS PROGRAM?

The Preschool Development Grants program supports state efforts to build or enhance their infrastructure to provide high-quality preschool programs and expand high-quality preschool programs in high-need communities. Grantees will:

- Create or expand high-quality, inclusive preschool programs in high-need communities;
- Build infrastructure and fund quality improvements to support high-quality preschool programs;
- Ensure strong partnerships between school and early learning community providers;
- Align curricula and instruction within a birth through third grade continuum;
- Create sustainable programs by coordinating existing early learning funds; and
- Use federal grant dollars and other matching funds to support their efforts.

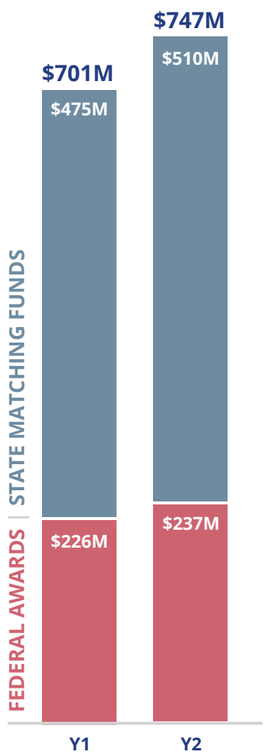
YEARS ONE & TWO

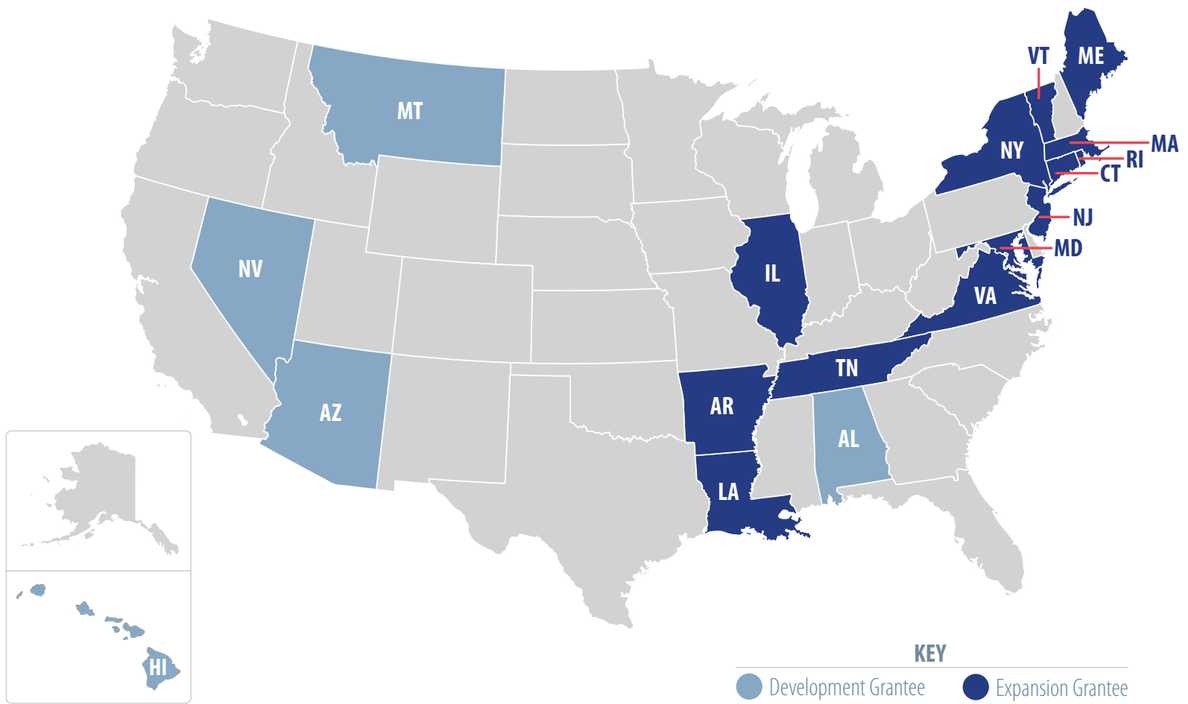
In December 2014, the U.S. Departments of Education and Health and Human Services awarded grants totaling $226M to 18 states and in October 2015, the year two awards were announced, totalling $237M.

40,216 Children to be served by newly created slots

30,844 Existing PreK slots to be improved

250 High-need communities to be served





TOTAL CHILDREN SERVED: YEAR 1
31,391*

TOTAL CHILDREN SERVED: YEAR 2
39,669

TOTAL CHILDREN SERVED BY THE END OF YEAR 4
171,489

*One child pictured is equal to approximately 1,000 children served

NOTE: Newly created and improved slots, and number of children served figures are derived from FY2014 Preschool Development Grants applications.