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Hand-Up Tuition Assistance Program



Information for Early Learning Centers

What We Do

We offer local quality early learning centers **with a published CLASS score of 4.5 or higher** the opportunity to help provide a **HAND-UP** for hard-working families who are not receiving government pre-VPK assistance, and who are struggling to pay for preschool tuition for their child(ren) at quality centers. For families who qualify based on financial criteria, we will pay **\$160 per month** per qualifying child directly to the early learning center to help offset a portion of the family's monthly tuition for each child aged from birth until they enter VPK.

How Applicants Apply

We will provide centers with an Income Eligibility Chart and Pre-Eligibility Forms. Interested families will first consult the Income Eligibility Chart, and if their income fits within the stated parameters for family size, you'll give them our Pre-Eligibility Form. You or the parent can then email that completed form to us at margarita@santorofoundation.org. If we give preliminary approval, we'll send our full application to the family, and notify the family and the center of their approval status. If approved, our help will begin immediately! You'll then simply send us a single itemized invoice each month for \$160 per approved child, which we will pay promptly directly to your center and which you will apply to that family's account.

About us

This private foundation was established to help ALL people become their best selves by promoting **essential personal life skills** education starting in early childhood and continuing into adulthood. We do this by ADVOCATING for quality early learning, EDUCATING about the need for students to learn **essential personal life skills**, and INVESTING in children and families in our community through our tuition assistance program.

Why we do it

We believe every child deserves quality early learning, including **essential personal life skills**, during early childhood and into adulthood.

We want to monetarily and emotionally support hard-working families with preschool-aged children by reducing some of their financial pressure so they can provide a quality early childhood education for their children, and in doing so, **help them to thrive!**