



# TOWN OF BLOOMFIELD

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### **Town of Bloomfield Partners With Subcontractors To Fulfill Child Day Care Contracts**

**BLOOMFIELD, CT** – The Town of Bloomfield has entered into a partnership with two new subcontractors to keep the town in compliance with its Child Day Care (CDC) Contracts funding, a move which was made following the announced closing of the Bloomfield Early Learning Center on March 6.

As the main contractor, the Town is taking more of an oversight role of the CDC contract, being spearheaded by the Department of Social & Youth Services. The Town was able to keep all 52 of its CDC slots, splitting those slots between The First Academy and Bloomfield Preschool and Child Care Center.

“We thank the Town of Bloomfield for their partnership to ensure state-funded child care is accessible to families. We know how important these resources are for families to be able to work, and for children to gain critical early learning and development skills early on in life,” said Beth Bye, Commissioner of the CT Office of Early Childhood.

The Child Day Care (CDC) funding through the State of Connecticut Office of Early Childhood (OEC) is intended to provide low-income, Connecticut families increased access to high-quality, affordable full day, full year preschool child care spaces.

“Child care remains one of the biggest challenges for families across Bloomfield and the state of Connecticut as a whole,” said Camilla Hillian, Director of Bloomfield Social & Youth Services. “Expanding affordable, accessible, and high-quality child care on a universal basis is a top priority for us and this partnership allows us to address systemic issues in the child care system so that all children have access to excellent learning opportunities and the best possible outcomes.”

“Child Day Care programs provide early care and education to infants and toddlers, preschoolers and/or school age children who meet certain eligibility requirements, including falling below 75 percent of the state median income,” a description from the Connecticut Office of Early Childhood reads. “Section 8-210 of the Connecticut General Statutes (C.G.S.) specifies that the purpose of this funding is for the development and operation of child day care centers for children disadvantaged by reasons of economic, social or environmental conditions pursuant.”

#### ***About the Town of Bloomfield***

Bloomfield is a picturesque Connecticut village, graced with rural beauty, abundant land, quality schools, dynamic commercial building projects, and a highly educated work force. Located just 10 miles west of the state capital of Hartford, the Town encompasses 26.4 square miles and has a population of 21,000 residents. Visit: [www.bloomfieldct.gov](http://www.bloomfieldct.gov)

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