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THE BUILD INITIATIVE: Dollars & Sense

Since 2002, the BUILD Initiative has helped states create comprehensive early learning systems that support families and prepare children for success in school. BUILD has partnered with state government and non-profit leaders by providing direct grants, peer-learning opportunities, conferences, evaluation services, and technical assistance on issues such as early childhood governance, finance, quality rating and improvement, professional development, early learning standards and assessment, healthy child development, and family, friend and neighbor care.

Funds to support states' system-building activities through BUILD typically come from a combination of state-based and national philanthropic dollars. BUILD partners with state leaders to help raise needed funds, and conducts national fundraising efforts as well.

Become a BUILD State

A \$200,000 partnership budget covers participation in the national Learning Community, which includes national and state evaluation, tailored technical assistance from BUILD's team of experts, participation and travel to BUILD's annual Building Systems conference, access to the initiative's multi-state topical meetings, communications support, and a portion of BUILD's staff time.

The BUILD states are leading a national movement to create comprehensive, high-quality, accessible early learning systems that support families and prepare children for successful futures. The BUILD community looks forward to learning from and helping your state as we work together to build effective systems for young children.

Here's generally how BUILD allocates funds to support a state's participation:

State Services staff, liaison & outside technical assistance.....	\$52,000
State evaluation partner, national evaluation & research	\$35,000
Learning Community, including meetings, webinars, access to experts and support for policy briefs	\$52,000
Staff (other than state services).....	\$34,500
Communications.....	\$10,000
Fiscal Sponsor/Management Fee	\$16,500
Total Cost to participate in BUILD	\$200,000

Many states benefit from a BUILD grant. These are flexible dollars that can be used to advance some aspect of systems development for which public funds would be difficult to obtain. The grant can flow through BUILD or directly from a state funder to an in-state entity. If such a grant would benefit your state, the amount of the grant is added on to the project budget.