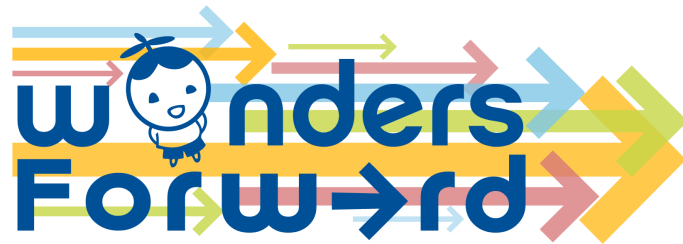




COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

October 2022

2022 Annual Giving Campaign



October - December 2022

As a nonprofit, we rely on tax-deductible contributions to deepen our capacity and strengthen the impact of our work.

WondersForward advances our mission and furthers our commitment to providing accessible, reliable, and high-quality care for children and families.

Join us with a contribution today!

Increasing our Impact

Building cross-sector partnerships

In our efforts to grow non-tuition revenue, we are developing and improving upon the ways we engage cross-sector partners. **Working parents/guardians, employers, and child care providers need cross-sector solutions to ensure long-term child care needs are met for families and children.** The WondersForward campaign welcomes new conversations and creative collaborations, and recognizes local partners for their support Wonders and our exceptional work with children.

Community members have provided meaningful support in identifying synergies among local stakeholders – championing corporate sponsorships, utilizing gift matching programs, and connecting Wonders to local and family foundations. [Please reach out to Jordanne Otero, Development and Communications Manager, for more information.](#) We welcome a conversation.

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Professional Development Consortium

Accepting Applications

Last month we announced that we were awarded a grant from the Children’s Opportunity Alliance to provide equity-focused early childhood workshops to the community and increase the number of BIPOC trainers in our field. **We are excited to announce that we are now accepting applications for the ECE Teacher-Trainer Development Initiative!** The application deadline is October 31st and applicants will be announced on November 14th. **Help us spread the word by sharing this flyer with your networks!**

View and Share the ECE Teacher-Trainer Flyer

Are you an ECE Educator in Maryland? Apply Today!



ECE TEACHER-TRAINER DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE

OPEN TO EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATORS - APPLY TODAY

Are you passionate about sharing your knowledge in ECE? Wonders Professional Development Consortium (PDC) is seeking ECE educators interested in expanding their career paths by becoming Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE) Associated Trainers.

Through a generous grant by Children's Opportunity Alliance, Wonders is seeking BIPOC ECE educators in Maryland looking to grow in their career paths by becoming MSDE-approved trainers. *Family child care and center-based teachers are encouraged to apply!*

How You Will Benefit

**Training of the Trainer**

If selected, you will be enrolled in a virtual Training of the Trainer course to learn and grow your skills as a trainer.

**Workshop Development Support**

Receive 1:1 support as you develop your own ECE workshop for MSDE Core of Knowledge approval.

**Monthly Mentoring Sessions**

Monthly Mentoring workshops with ECE author and expert, Jacky Howell, MS.

\$500

stipend upon completion of the program

Qualifications

- Able to commit Nov 15th – June 30th
- Associate's Degree or Bachelor's Degree with a minimum of 15 credits in child development & curriculum development
- Minimum of 4 years of experience working in licensed child care.
- Must be willing to enroll and complete the Training of the Trainer Course

How to Apply

Complete the online **ECE Teacher-Trainer Development Initiative Application Form** and submit 3 letters of recommendation, and resume to Saba Ahmed, sahmed@wonderslearning.org

Application Decisions will be announced Nov. 14th

APPLY BY

10/31

Contact us  301-654-5339  sahmed@wonderslearning.org

Consultants Corner

Creating Smooth Daily Routines

Getting out of the house in the morning without drama or putting little ones to bed at night without tears can feel like a huge accomplishment! Children’s temperaments contribute to how they react when the pressure is on, but what can we do as parents to increase our odds of success in these daily routines? [Learn more about creating smooth daily routines with this "Consultants Corner" article by the Child Development Consultants.](#)

Celebrating Our Team in a Unique Way

Wonders Team Raffle

On November 7th, we will host our first Wonders Team Raffle drawing of the school year. We are very excited to have this opportunity once again to celebrate Wonders team members with fun and unique raffles. We will host three team raffle events, one each in November, February, and May - all made possible through generous in-kind donations from local businesses and community members!

Past contributions to Wonders Team Raffles have included gift cards, days of PTO, and roundtrip airline tickets. We are so grateful to all of the 2021-2022 donors who made these events possible through corporate donations, personal contributions, and donation requests on behalf of Wonders Learning. If you would like to discuss a special contribution, please [contact us](#) or [view this wish list for ideas.](#)

Thank you to our current in-kind donors!



What We're Reading

Articles and posts that grabbed our attention

- [A Climate Change Guide for Kids: By Julia Rosen,](#) The New York Times
- [Meet the Band of TV Animals That's Talking to Preschoolers About Climate,](#) The New York Times
- [How to fix America's broken child-care industry,](#) The Washington Post

Town of Chevy Chase Fall Festival

Thank you to everyone who joined us this past weekend at the Town of Chevy Chase Fall Festival at the Jane E. Lawton Community Center! The artwork from our early learning centers were a hit and we loved seeing all our families and community members!



Upcoming Weekend Family-Fun Events



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[Learn More about The Big Build](#)



[Join Wonders on Nov. 6](#)

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