

Your Support in Action

2021 GOALS

Partner with Vermonters to...

- » **Pass foundational legislation** for child care reform and increase investments now to stabilize Vermont's early childhood education system
- » **Support early childhood educators** to create new, high-quality child care spaces and engage them in workforce development efforts
- » **Inspire new supporters** to join the Vermont Child Care Campaign

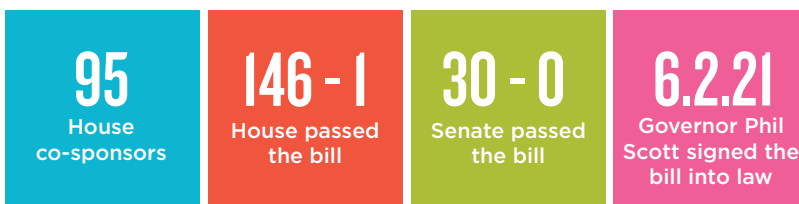
OUR PROGRESS

Since January, with your support we...

- » Helped **pass landmark legislation, H.171**, with support from **Let's Grow Kids Action Network**
- » Supported early childhood educators to **create 512 new, high-quality child care spaces** and **engaged 1,139 in workforce development** efforts
- » Welcomed **964 new supporters**

Paving the Way to 2025

This legislative session, because of your support, Vermont's policymakers set the stage for true child care reform.



H.171 lays the foundation for the accessible, affordable, high-quality, equitable system our families and businesses need in the future and it makes \$12.7 million in investments now to stabilize Vermont's early childhood education system.

H.171 takes a crucial step toward achieving the early childhood education system Vermonters need and deserve. Together we can solve Vermont's child care crisis, but it is still up to all of us to make sure our elected officials follow through on making the long-term public investment needed to transform our child care system.



A NOTE FROM ALY

Child care is having a moment, and together we're making the most of it! This spring, while our communities continued to work together in recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic, Governor Phil Scott signed Vermont's landmark child care legislation into law. We reached this milestone because of your unwavering commitment to a better tomorrow for our youngest children - thank you! You've inspired hope and action across the state and beyond, and you continue to inspire me daily. I look forward to celebrating future milestones with you as we swiftly move toward transformational change.



“ We heard Vermonters when they told us that they needed help with child care, and we have acted. ”

SENATOR BECCA BALINT

Senate President Pro Tempore | Brattleboro, VT

PLEASE TURN OVER...

A Stronger, More High-Quality System

Alongside continued efforts to increase the capacity of high-quality child care, early childhood educators continue to sharpen their business skills through programs like the Child Care Business Administration course, hosted in partnership with Vermont Higher Education Collaborative.

This course not only helps early childhood educators administer and manage their programs more efficiently, it also means that future investments will continue to work hard for the children who need it most.



“ Before this class I learned everything by trial and error. **This course explained literally everything** from making and understanding budgets to labor laws and how to properly conduct employee evaluations. Now, I not only know how to do these things but why these practices are necessary. ”

AMY LUKE

Business Administration Course Graduate
Director of ABC Academy | St. Albans, VT

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Volunteers Calling for Change



I strongly believe in volunteering as a way to help with and lend support to a greater cause. That's why I signed up to learn how to phonebank with Let's Grow Kids this summer. **Without volunteers many voices cannot be heard and those voices are oftentimes those of children.**

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ROSAMARIA FAY
Phonebank Volunteer

Leadership Gift for Change

In June, National Life Group Foundation supported Let's Grow Kids with a leadership gift of \$500,000. Chairman, CEO, and President Mehran Assadi presented this gift, sharing "This investment is the right thing to do; it also makes good business sense. When parents know their children are in a quality child care setting, they're better able to pursue meaningful careers and advance Vermont's economy." Let's Grow Kids is grateful for this bold philanthropy from leaders who care deeply about the communities in which their employees live, work, and raise families.

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