

Wee Care in Lake City

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Town of Lake City

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Dear Town Trustees,

Wee Care is submitting this letter of request for a donation from the Town of Lake City.

Local parents in Lake City established Wee Care in 2001 as a 501(c)3 organization to provide childcare for the families of Hinsdale County. As the only state licensed childcare provider within a 55-mile radius, Wee Care remains steadfast in its purpose to provide year-round, high quality, reliable, and affordable childcare to all families.

Our programs provide children with their development by focusing on cognitive, social, emotional, and physical growth, which prepares children for success in school and throughout life. Our children, ages one through six, are provided with age-appropriate educational activities that focus on early literacy, math concepts, and problem-solving skills. Wee Care is also a valuable resource for the early detection of children with special needs or potential abuse concerns, by participating and partnering in Child Find Gunnison County.

The benefits that Wee Care offer Lake City are substantial. We are a key component of economic development by supporting our local workforce and providing stability for families looking to relocate here. We support our current Lake City businesses and organizations by increasing the productivity of their staff who know their children are receiving excellent and safe care and education.

The majority of Wee Care funding is received through grants, fundraisers, and generous donations. We are currently vying for a sustainable funding source through the ballot initiative 1A this November. The hopeful 1% would be taxed on visitors to Hinsdale County staying 30 days or less in our lodging facilities. This possible funding source would contribute to our 70% donation / grant budget, supporting more reliable, sustainable, and successful early childhood programs in our community. If the lodging tax funds are received, they would support staff recruitment and retention by offering competitive wages and benefit opportunities. With your continued financial support, Wee Care will maintain and improve a facility and program that is reliable to families and our community through our day-to-day operations. Wee Care is seeking a donation of \$5,000 from the Town of Lake City to help provide financial stability for our organization that is vital to our continued success.

Thank you for this opportunity to request a donation as you consider the many pressing needs of our community. Please feel free to contact us at weecareboard@gmail.com or Susan Arnold (912-222-1827) with any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

Wee Care Board of Directors