Parent Cooperative Preschools INTERNATIONAL

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Dear Friend of PCPI,

PCPI promotes and supports family involvement, learning through play, family education and building community connections.

Can you believe that PCPI is well into its sixty-second year of service to cooperative (or parent participation) preschools and councils throughout the USA and Canada?

Perhaps this would be a great time to reflect upon our successful involvement in the world of early childhood education. But simply reflecting on our productive past tends to distract attention from the work and challenges that lie ahead of our all-volunteer organization. The pandemic has worked against many — especially those of us in the non-profit educational community. We at PCPI count on the generosity of those who have a keen awareness and understanding of the importance and value of our mission.

The general consensus is that this letter represents only the third time in our sixty-two year history that PCPI has come to its supporters for financial sponsorship! This request for your assistance is so important just now, NOT because we are faltering, but because we have so many ongoing programs and ideas for new endeavors that need solid funding.

Financial support, beyond membership dues, is needed for our very popular grants and loans to preschools, future publications, membership outreach, website enhancement, legislative efforts and travel to our critically important annual meetings.

May we rely on your generous support? Together we can make an incredible investment in the lives of preschoolers who bring so much joy to so many, and who are our hope for the future. Their access to high quality early childhood education cannot be put on hold until times are better.

Any gift, no matter how small, will be gratefully acknowledged. Visit our website, www.preschools.coop, and scroll down on the home page to the orange "Donate" button. Or send a check with the accompanying sheet, to our Portland address. Canadians, we especially appreciate donations to the Katharine Whiteside Taylor Grant!

Yours cooperatively,

Dianne Rose

Dianne Rose
President, PCPI, 2022-2023

Meg Kennedy Shaw
Chair, Advisors' Committee
Past President, PCPI, 1999-2002

P.S. PCPI recently held its annual meeting and 60+2 anniversary celebration in Portland, Oregon. Use this link to see a wonderful slideshow, screened at our Awards Luncheon: https://tinyurl.com/56svknh4

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Name_____

Address_____

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Telephone number_____ Email address_____

I would like my donation to be put towards:

PCPI General Fund $_____
Special projects and operating expenses

Cooperative Spirit Grant $_____
Grant supports parent-led preschool projects which create a lasting legacy

Katharine Whiteside Taylor Grant $_____
Grant provides scholarships to educate parents and teachers in Canadian parent participation preschools

Becky Allen Parent Education Fund $_____
Fund provides grants to US member cooperative preschools for parent education projects

Marika Townshend Travel Grant $_____
Program helps our members attend the PCPI annual meeting

AND OUR NEWEST GRANT!
Cooperative Support Grant $_____
Grant assists member preschools with start-up and/or emergent funding needs

TOTAL $_____

All donations (US/Canadian funds) may be made online via our website, or mailed to our Portland, OR, address, see below.

All contributions are much appreciated and will be gratefully acknowledged. Charitable tax receipts will be issued for US$ donations to the US funds.