



CATAPULTDESIGN



# If you could design the District's ideal child care system, what would it look like?

## Join our Innovation Community!

We want to take a closer look at the early childhood education (or “child care”) system in the District of Columbia so we can make it even more effective and equitable.

We know that the best people to reimagine a better system are those currently experiencing it – YOU.

YOU are the people who know the system best. You are the families who want quality early childhood education for your young children and the educators and administrators who make it happen.

Over the next five months, our grassroots innovation group will meet monthly to look at all aspects of the child care/early childhood education system: quality, affordability, availability and regulations. We want to get clearer about what’s right – and unfair – with the current system... and most importantly, how we can work together to make it better.

### BY JOINING THIS EFFORT YOU WILL:

- » Share your unique perspective as a parent, caregiver, educator, center director or program owner.
- » Generate innovative ideas to transform child care in D.C.
- » Participate in monthly workshops and activities from November 2021 through March 2022.
  - › You will spend up to 8 hours each month sharing your experience and providing feedback.
  - › Monthly activities and meetings will be a combination of in person meetings, Zoom meetings, online surveys and/or one-on-one phone calls.
- » Receive a \$280 Visa gift card each month by participating in monthly activities and meetings (again, up to 8 hours each month).

### WE WILL:

- » Help facilitate the conversations and document your experience.
- » Support you in turning your ideas into tangible solutions.
- » Provide resources to allow you to participate fully.
- » Keep you updated on how your contributions to this effort are being used.



If you are interested, please complete this short survey by Friday, November 19:

<https://forms.gle/wF6vNuR378RMcXNJ9>

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