

April 17, 2020

Dear Legislator,

I am writing to ask you to **quickly authorize additional funding for both the Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) under the CARES Act and the Economic Injury Disaster Loan Emergency Advance Program (EIDL).**

I am writing as a parent reliant on a small business in Philadelphia - my child's childcare and afterschool provider, Saint Mary's Nursery School (SMNS). This business is integral to our children. It also enables over 150 parents to go to work and contribute to the economy.

I thank you for the prompt adoption of the Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) under the CARES Act and the Economic Injury Disaster Loan Emergency Advance Program (EIDL). **I ask that you move quickly to authorize additional funding for both the PPP and EIDL programs**, so that businesses such as SMNS may continue to thrive. It has been widely reported that both of these programs have run out of funds due to the intense demands. Our school's bank was not able to fund more than 25% of applicants due to restrictions in available funds - an unacceptable number. Waiting for reauthorized funds puts us in a tenuous situation that threatens the future of this organization and my capacity to return to work after this crisis.

Small businesses such as SMNS need you to ensure that the PPP and EIDL programs get more funding ASAP. Without this, small businesses, the cornerstone of our communities and our economy, will not weather the storm.

Sincerely,

A Working Parent