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## GRAND KIDS LEARNING CENTER

## NEWS UPDATES FEBRUARY 2024

Dear Valued Grand County Community Member or Business,

In 2024 Grand Kids Learning Center is thrilled to share that we are embarking on a proactive journey to enhance and expand our service reach, facilities, and overall impact.

As an essential business supporting early childhood education, we consider our community partnerships invaluable. As a key stakeholder, your contribution to our shared commitment to quality child care in our community is highly valued.

To keep you informed and involved, we're excited to announce regular updates on our progress. These updates will cover a spectrum of topics, including expansions, new services, fundraisers, partnerships, grants, and more. We understand the significance of our role in the community and believe that keeping our partners informed is crucial.

Your feedback is essential to us, and we warmly welcome any questions or suggestions you may have. Thank you for being a valued partner in our community. Together, we can continue to make a positive impact on the lives of the children we serve.

Please find our February 2024 Grand Kid Learning Center Update Below!

## GRANBY EXPANSION

As covered in the Sky-Hi news we have been diligently working to expedite the reopening of the Little Sprouts location since October 2023 with Grand Kids Learning Center taking over day-to-day operations. We officially opened our doors on Tuesday, February 6th! This building has 4 classrooms serving infants through pre-kindergarten age students. Our intention is to serve every family that was with Little Sprouts previously if they choose to return and open our doors to others on the wait list as well.

You can support us by joining us at our Ribbon Cutting and Open House on March 19th. The ribbon cutting will take place at 4:30pm and we will have an open house until 5:30pm. You can continue to support by sharing that we have job opportunities and by donating to help support the Granby expansion. Email [grandkidschildcare@gmail.com](mailto:grandkidschildcare@gmail.com) for more details.

## WINTER WONDERLAND

We hosted with the Winter Park Fraser Chamber the 3rd Annual Winter Wonderland on Feb. 3rd at Rendezvous Event Center. It was truly a winter wonderland of fun. We are very grateful for all our sponsors for this event: Rendezvous Homes, Terra Firma, Bishop Built, Grand County Tourism Board, Grand Adventures, Home James, Lavender Elephant, Mary's Mountain Cookies, Simple Coffee, R&J Liquors, Devil's Thumb, The Noble Buck, A-Frame Club & Sunshine Herb Corner.



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## BUILDING GRAND COUNTY'S FUTURE!

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We have been in many conversations to expand our reach and address the growing need for high-quality early childhood education services within the community. We are working towards a location in the Victoria Village project, which would contribute to the ongoing development of Fraser as a family-friendly destination and foster a skilled workforce, contributing to robust economic development.

The Victoria Village project, an initiative designed to enhance the town's infrastructure to create much needed affordable workforce housing within two years, has taken a significant step forward with the inclusion of an early childhood center. This project will not only provide an essential service for local families but also contribute to the overall economic growth and vitality of the town. With completion of this project, we would double our capacity from 50 students in Fraser daily to 100 students.

You can support us by spreading the word about the planned expansion and help promote future fundraisers to help fund this project.

## FUNDING UPDATE-THANK YOU!

- We received \$15,500 from the Town of Winter Park for general operating expenses for our Fraser locations.
- We received \$21,300 from the Town of Fraser for general operating expenses for our Fraser locations.
- We received \$10,360 from the Town of Grand Lake for general operating expenses for our Granby location.
- We received \$8,850 from the Town of Granby for tuition scholarship assistance for families at the Granby location that had a tuition increase with our taking over.
- We were selected to be the secondary benefactor of the 2024 Grand Gala that will be taking place on April 20th. For more information about the event go to:
  - <https://www.grandfoundation.com/Events/ID/72/Annual-Grand-Gala>
- In 2023, we received \$35,000 from Temple Hoyne Buell for teacher benefits that we are still awarding out into 2024.