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UNL Children's Center

Impact Statement

To Whom It May Concern:

Earlier this year, the Children's Center was fortunate to be awarded a grant from the UNL Parents Association. We requested \$1,000.00 to purchase CPR manikins, face shields and lungs. We were very happy to be awarded the full amount. In addition to the items listed above we also were able to purchase an AED trainer. This has been extremely beneficial as well – the attendees in the classes can practice the skills of setting up the device as well as hear what an operational AED sounds like.

As part of our accreditation process through NAEYC we are required to ensure that all staff who work alone with a group of children be current on their pediatric CPR and First Aid certification. Our goal as a Center is to strive for 100% of certified employees. These trainings not only benefit these students in their position as teaching staff with us, but in their personal lives as well. This is a skill that is becoming highly recognized as one that all people should have. There are so many entities out there that claim to teach to the skill – but are only offered on-line or only teach the hands free method. I am so grateful that the students in our Center are being offered the instruction and hands on skills they need to be successful should they ever need to perform these skills in a real setting.

Both my assistant director and I are certified American Red Cross Instructors, and with this generous grant from the UNL Parents Association we now have the necessary tools to see this through.

Already this year we have been able to train 71 student employees and 22 full-time employees. We have two CPR/First Aid classes already scheduled this fall, with a total of 19 student staff currently signed up.

Please pass along our immense gratitude for this award. University of Nebraska – Lincoln Children's Center student staff has, and will continue to benefit from this award for many years to come.

Sincerely,



Jaci Foged, Director