

November 3, 2023

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RE: The Dayton Region Priority Development & Advocacy Committee
Homefull Healthy Start Child Care & Early Learning Center in West Dayton

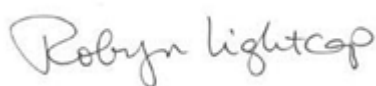
To Whom it May Concern,

Preschool Promise has met regularly with Homefull since the launch of their transformational community development project, Homefull Healthy Living in West Dayton located at 807 South Gettysburg Avenue. We fully support Homefull as they prepare for this next important phase of the project, including the financing, construction, and operations planning for Homefull Healthy Start Childcare and Preschool in West Dayton. Preschool Promise's vision is that every child in Montgomery County is healthy and fully ready for kindergarten. We partner with preschool and childcare providers to make high-quality early learning accessible to all families. Further, we are committed to promoting equity in all facets of Preschool Promise, with the goal of ensuring that all children, regardless of race, ethnicity, gender, abilities or socioeconomic status, are fully ready to learn when they start kindergarten.

The vision for Homefull's Healthy Start Childcare and Preschool is aligned with our goals, and we are happy to partner with Homefull to make this vision come to life. The new Homefull Healthy Start Childcare and Preschool will provide a 6,000 square foot state of the art early learning facility featuring six classrooms designed for optimal learning. Immediately adjacent to the indoor classroom space will be another 5,000 square foot outdoor play space. The entire structure will create a nurturing, thriving environment for over 90 children.

Preschool Promise joins Homefull and others as a committed community partner in the shared success of their Healthy Start Childcare and Preschool. Families and children of this area in West Dayton need and deserve this opportunity to ensure they are fully ready to learn when they start kindergarten. As we invest in our youngest children, our entire Region becomes stronger and more vibrant.

Sincerely,



Robyn Lightcap
Executive Director

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To whom it may concern,

The City of Dayton shares our full and enthusiastic support of Homefull's PDAC application for their Healthy Start Child Care & Early Learning Center in West Dayton. High-quality, affordable, accessible childcare is a high priority expressed by families and businesses in this area of our City, particularly with increasing investment in employment and amenities located along U.S. Route 35 W, Gettysburg Avenue, and Germantown Boulevard. This represents an important piece to the Master Plan of Homefull's Housing, Food, and Jobs healthy community that addresses generational poverty in West Dayton.

The Homefull Healthy Start Child Care & Early Learning Center will provide a 6,000 square foot state-of-the-art daycare and preschool facility featuring six classrooms designed age appropriate. Immediately adjacent to the indoor classroom space will be another 5,000 square foot outdoor play space. The entire structure will create a nurturing, thriving environment for over 90 children.

Stable, affordable housing and high-quality childcare are essential to families' economic stability, parents' ability to work, and children's healthy development. The lack of affordable, quality childcare continues to disproportionately affect Dayton's low income and communities of color. At such young ages, education, nutrition, and exercise are paramount to children's physical and cognitive development. High-quality childcare and education promote children's development and learning and narrow socioeconomic, racial, and ethnic inequalities while promoting parental employment and family self-sufficiency.

We make a respectful request for your consideration of priority ranking and full funding of the Homefull Healthy Start Child Care & Early Learning Center.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey J. Mims, Jr., Mayor



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November 2, 2023

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RE: The Dayton Region Priority Development & Advocacy Committee
Homefull Healthy Start Child Care & Early Learning Center in West Dayton

Dear Members of PDAC Committee:

As champions for improving equitable child care, opportunity, and overall quality of life for all citizens in our region, we offer our full and enthusiastic support of Homefull's application for their Healthy Start Child Care & Early Learning Center. This represents a major piece to the Master Plan of Homefull's Housing, Food, and Jobs healthy community that addresses generational poverty in West Dayton.

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It is for these reasons, along with Homefull's capacity to deliver, that we respectfully request you join us in full support of this project's value proposition and impact on our county and region's deserving families with children. May we join together in seeing them learn and thrive in West Dayton.

Sincerely,

Deborah A. Lieberman
Commission President

Judy Dodge
Commissioner

Carolyn Rice
Commissioner





DATE: 12/05/22





