**Financial and Social Impact**

- $73 million in loans and grants invested in child care facilities
- $135 million leveraged from other public and private sources
- 31,000 child care slots created or improved
- 572 child care facility projects completed

**Children’s Investment Fund**

The mission of Children’s Investment Fund (CIF) is to improve the quality of and expand access to early learning and school-age child care programs for low- and moderate-income families. CIF also supports affordable housing for low-income families through place-based two-generation and other strategies that result in safer, healthier, and more stable environments for young children.

With specialized training, intensive technical assistance, accessible loan capital, and grants, CIF has created a comprehensive support system for child care facilities in Massachusetts, modeled after more traditional affordable housing and community development approaches but applied to the child care sector in an innovative way.

**CDFI Story – YWCA of Southeastern Massachusetts, New Bedford, MA**

The YWCA of Southeastern Massachusetts owns a historic property in the city of New Bedford that has served as its administrative headquarters since 1979. In an effort to consolidate programming, the organization expanded the building to house an afterschool program that was previously located in a school.

The building now offers eight single room occupancy (SRO) units with supportive services for women experiencing homelessness along with a new afterschool center serving 50 children. The YWCA joins a handful of others in Massachusetts that combine affordable housing and child care under one roof to better meet the needs of the community.

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