



Greenville County CARES Act Childcare Funding

HOW TO SUBMIT A FUNDING REQUEST

1. Learn about the Funding

Visit <http://www.greenvillefirststeps.org/CaresAct> to learn more about the grant funding, what childcare centers are eligible, and what expenses can be reimbursed.

- Read “CARES Act Summary of Eligible and Ineligible Expense Categories and FAQs”
- Watch “CARES Act Informational Webinar”

This is a Reimbursement Grant.

Itemized Receipts must be submitted for ALL awarded money spent.

**If you believe your center is eligible, continue to the
[Greenville County CARES Act Application.](#)**

2. Creating a Profile and Submitting Application

Select “Sign Up”

Sign In/Sign Up Instructions

For New Users:

By clicking **Sign Up**, you will be prompted to enter your email address and create a password. Once you have chosen your password, your account will be created and you will gain access to the portal.

For Returning Users:

Sign into the portal using the email address and the password you created when you originally signed up for the portal. If you have forgotten your password, click "**Forgot your password?**" and follow the prompts to reset your password.

Sign In

Email


Password

[Forgot your password?](#)

[Log In](#)

Need an Account?

[Sign Up](#)



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Enter your email (director) and Password. *Make sure to save your log-in information.

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Sign Up

Enter an email address and choose a password to create a new account.

Email

Password

Must contain at least one lowercase letter

Must contain at least one uppercase letter

Must contain one number

Must be between 8 and 32 characters

Must not be an email address

Confirm password

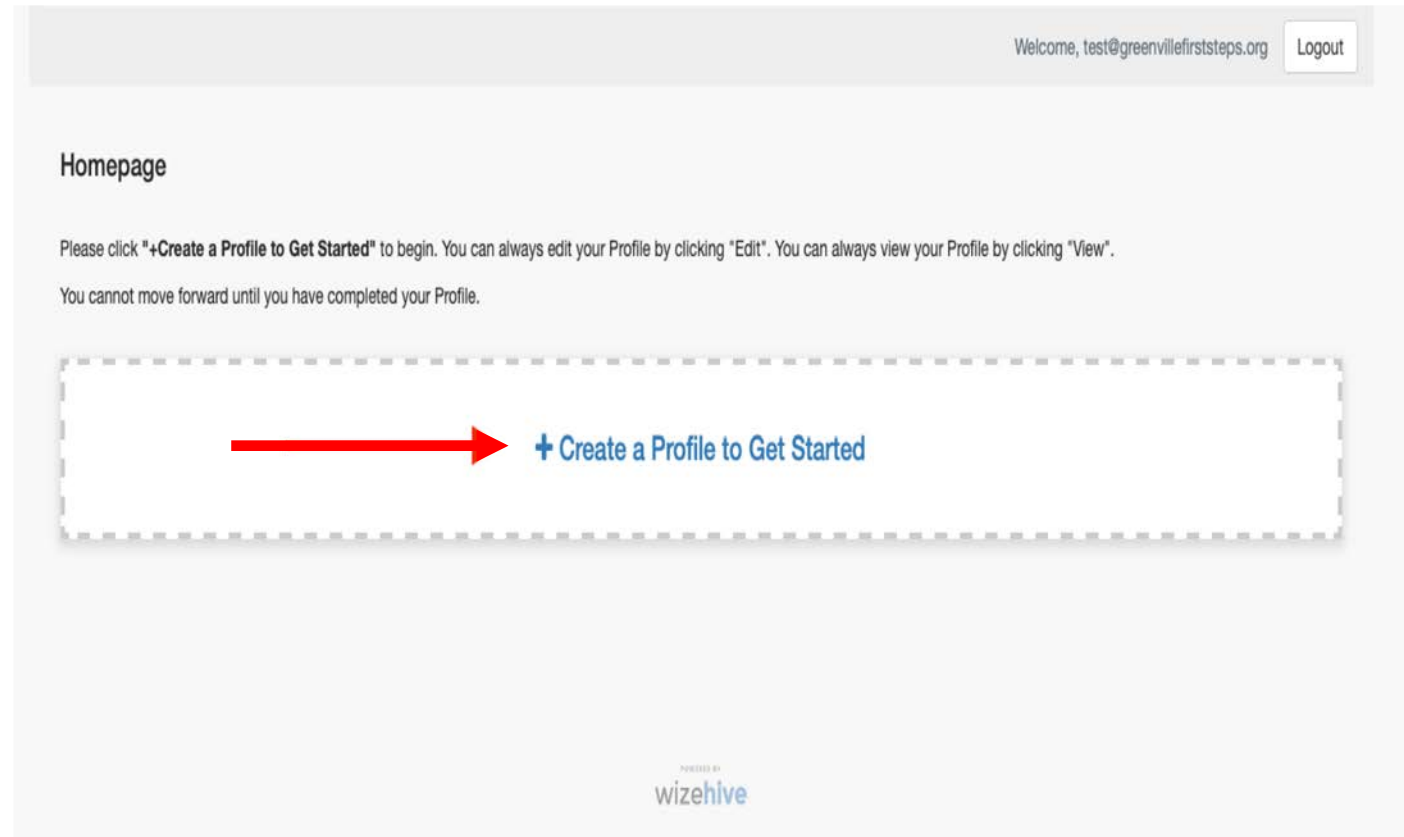
Passwords must match

Sign Up

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Select “+Create Profile to Get Started”



Create Profile by entering in your Childcare Center, Director's First Name, Director's Last Name, and Director's Email. Then, select "Save"

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Homepage > Profile Input Draft

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Profile

Child Care Center *

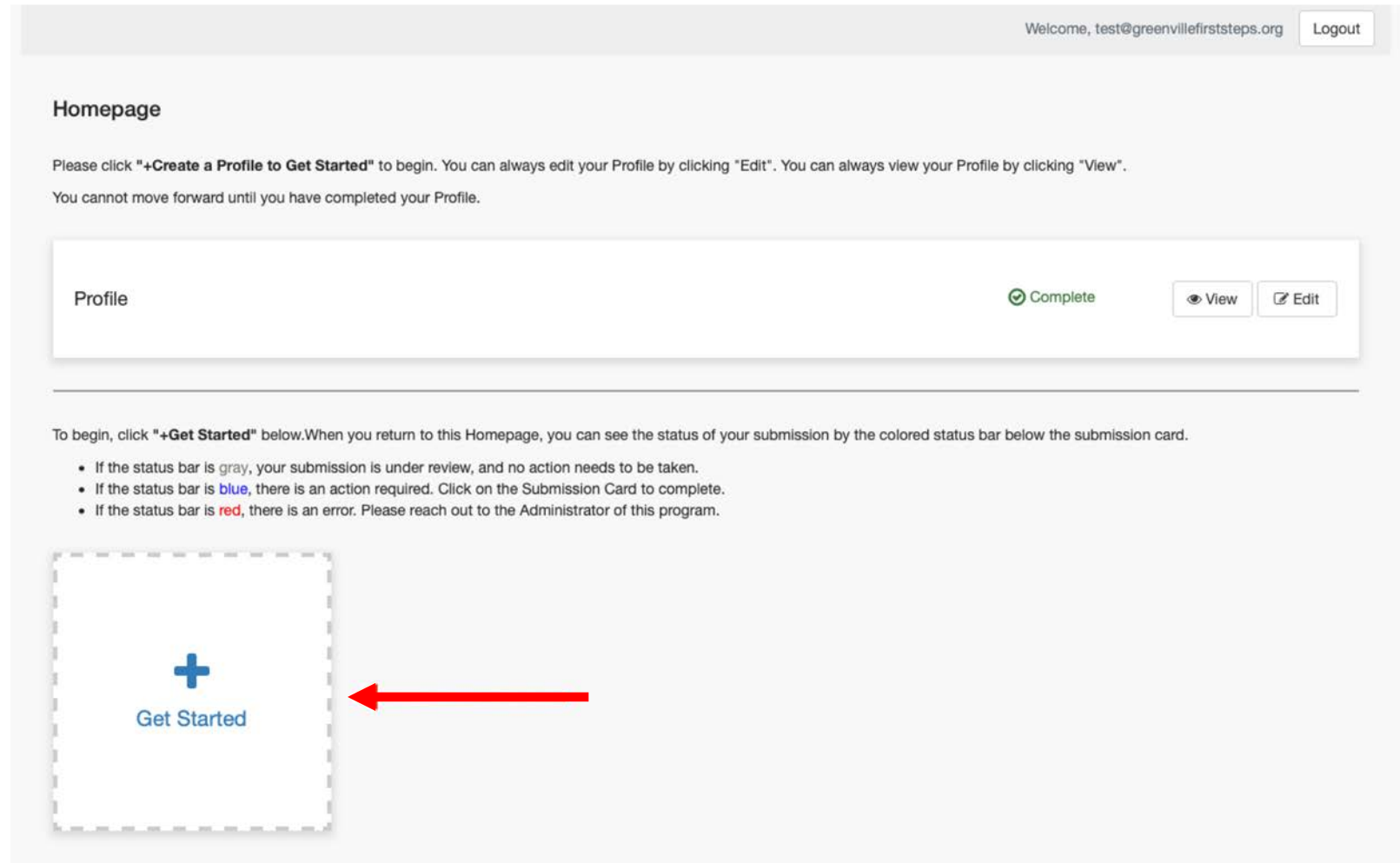
Director's First Name *

Director's Last Name *

Director's Email *

Save

Once your profile is set up, you will see a submission card that says “Get Started”. Select “Get Started” to begin the grant Application.
(If you already started and saved a draft of an application, this box will say “Application Intake”).



Next to Application, select “Edit”

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[Homepage](#) > *Untitled*

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Application Intake


Application

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If you have completed and would like to view or print, please click the “View” button to the right.

Action Required



Edit

First Stage Submission

When every step in this submission is complete, the “Submit” button to the right will become green and clickable.

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Submit

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Complete all required fields on the Application. Once you have completed all fields, select “Save” at the bottom of the page.

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Homepage > Untitled > Application Input **Draft**

Please complete all required fields.
You can save as a draft and return later to complete by clicking "Save Draft" at the bottom of the page.
When you are ready to submit this step, please click the blue "Save" button at the bottom of the page.

Greenville County CARES ACT CHILDCARE Funding Application

Grant Program Overview:

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For more information and questions, please reach out to Anne Lee at annelee@greenvillefirststeps.org.

Eligibility Requirements

1. Licensed childcare centers or Registered family child care home providers
 - a. Registered childcare centers will be waitlisted and funded on first-come first-served basis as funds are available
 - b. Faith based providers ARE ELIGIBLE. Government funded providers (e.g., SHARE, Greenville Schools may be eligible
2. In good standing with DSS
3. Either currently open, or intends to re-open by Labor Day
4. Physically located within Greenville County
5. Registered as a Greenville County business (or intend to register by Sept 7th)

\$1,000 Registered/Licensed Family home providers
\$5,000 Licensed childcare providers with DSS capacity of 50 or fewer
\$10,000 Licensed childcare providers with DSS capacity of 51 or more

This funding is a reimbursable grant with an advance of the first half (family home providers receive full amount up front). Itemized receipts must be submitted to receive reimbursement.

Licensed Providers must spend and submit receipts for reimbursement for all awarded funds by Oct 15th. After Oct 15th, we will open the up to the waitlisted registered centers. Either way, ALL awarded funds MUST be spent by December 20, 2020. Not reimbursements will be allowed after that deadline.

Application

Childcare Center Name: *

Top of page

Amount Requested: *

Please provide the following budget information. In a typical month (pre Covid-19) how much did you normally spend on the following?

Salaries *

Utilities *

Commercial lease (or mortgage interest) *

Classroom equipment/supplies *

Food *

Marketing/Advertising *

Signed W9 form (<https://www.irs.gov/forms-pubs/about-form-w-9>) *

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+ Select a file

Drivers' license or state-issued ID of owner or center director *

+ Select a file

Copy of active state business registration from South Carolina Secretary of State *

+ Select a file

W3 Summary or IRS Form 941 prior to February 15, 2020 (businesses with 2-25 employees only) *

+ Select a file

Electronic Signature *

By signing your name above, it acts as an electronic signature.

Save Draft Save

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Bottom of page

You can also select “Save Draft” if you want to save it and finish it later. Just make sure to click “Save” once you are done.

Select “Submit” to complete your application and the first stage of the grant process.

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Application Intake

Application Complete [View](#) [Edit](#)

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First Stage Submission [Submit](#)

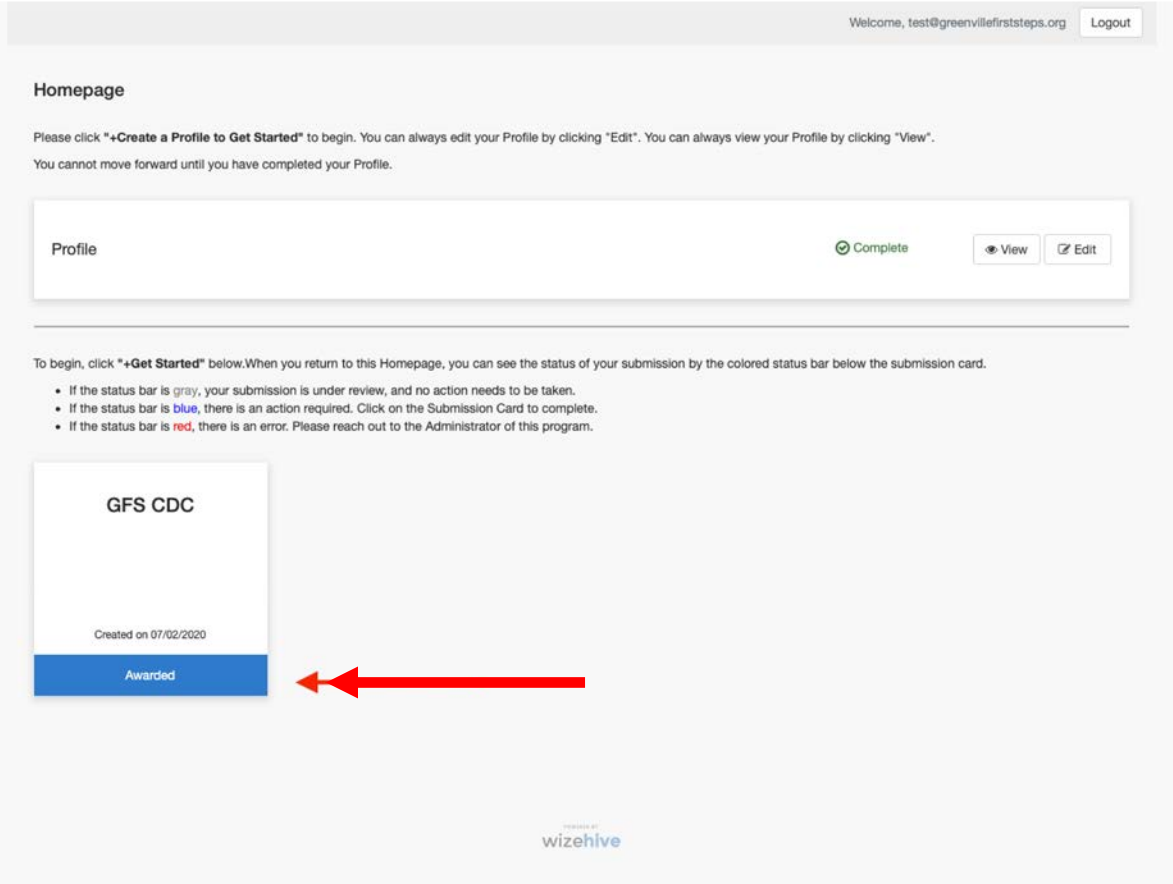
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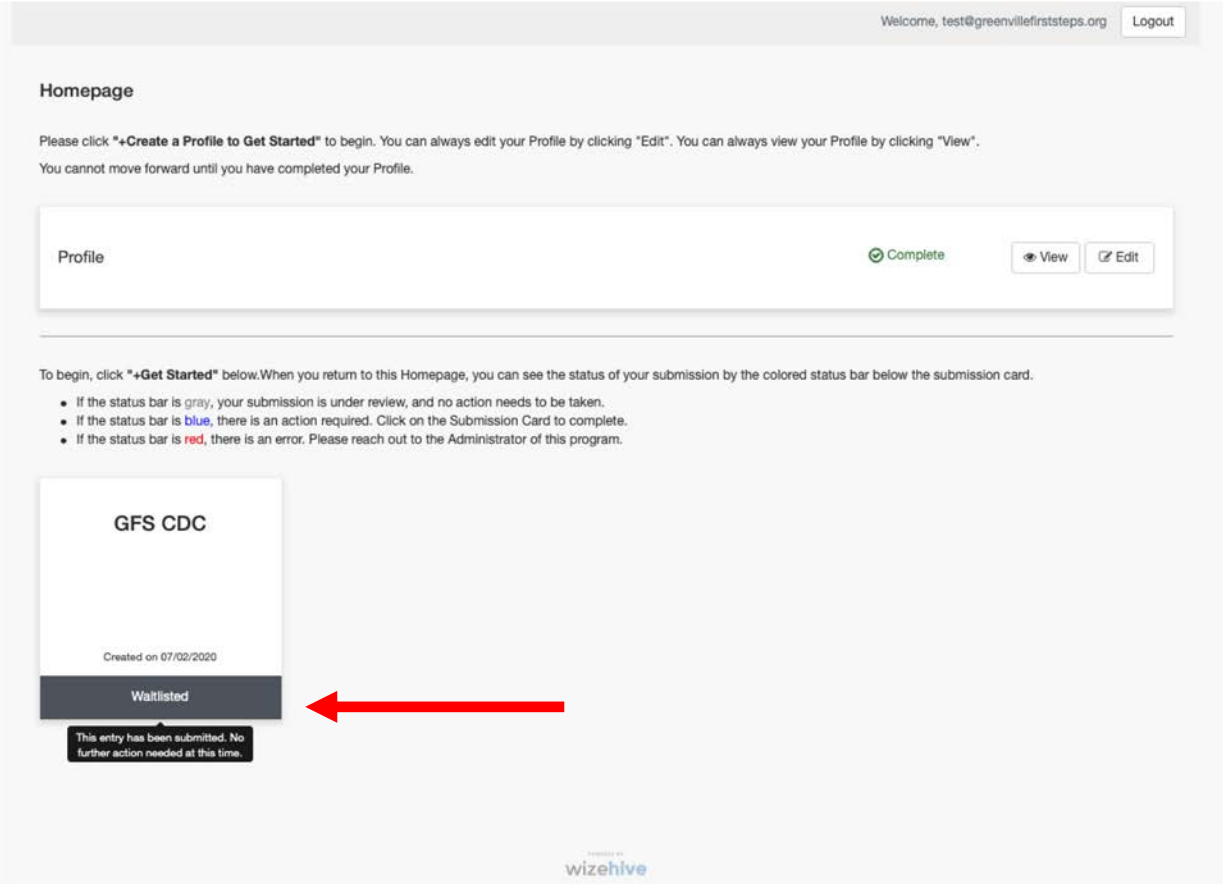
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If you go back to your Homepage after submitting, the application box will now say “Under Review”.

If your application as been approved, your submission card will say “Awarded” and you can continue to the next step.

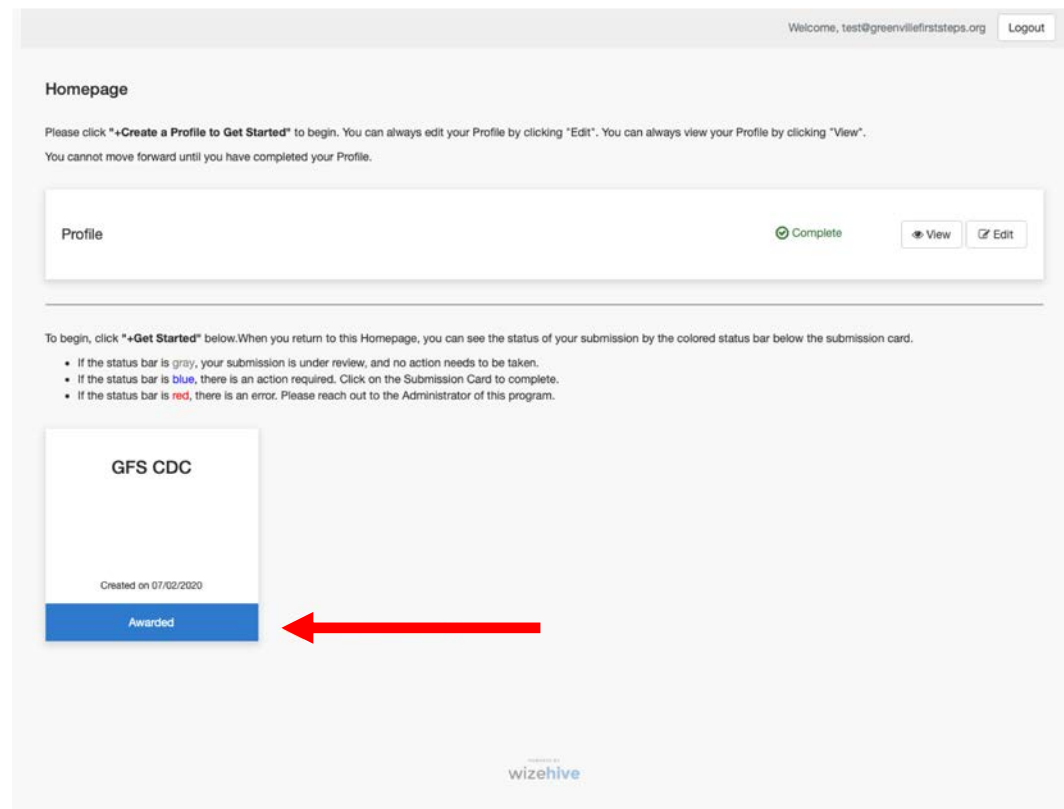


If your application as been waitlisted, your submission card will say “Waitlisted” and you will be held at this stage and notified about any potential awards at a later date.



3. Completing your Memorandum of Agreement

If your application has been approved, your submission card will turn blue and say “Awarded”. To proceed to your MOA, select “Awarded”.



****Waitlisted applications will receive notification and will only continue to this step if approved at a later date.****

Next to Award, select “View”.

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Awarded

Award

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[View](#)

Award Acceptance

[Action Required](#)

[Open >](#)

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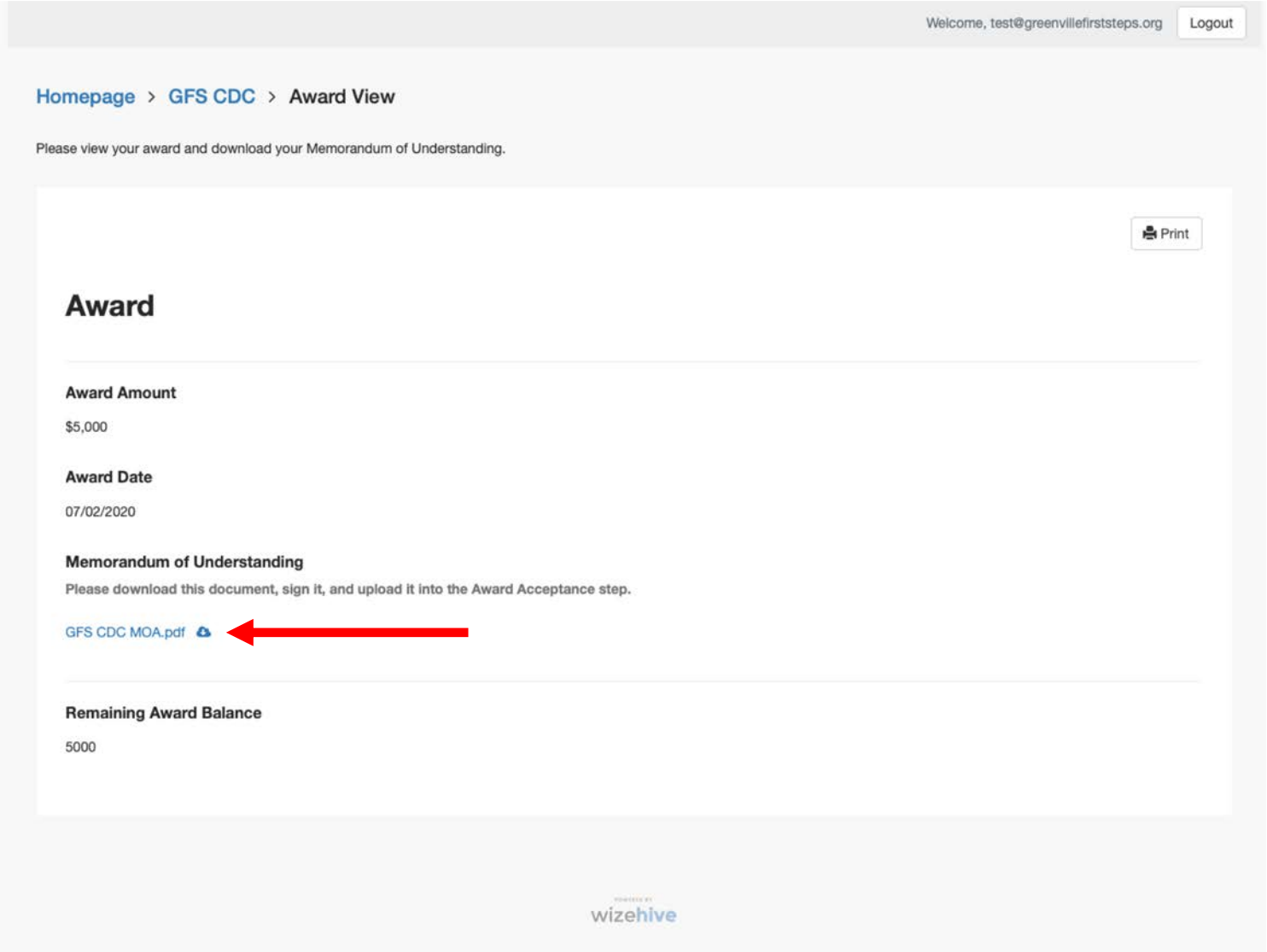
Awarded Submission

[Submit](#)

When every step in this submission is complete, the “Submit” button to the right will become green and clickable.

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Select, download, print, and sign your Memorandum of Agreement (MOA).



Helpful tip: After downloading, you can select your center name at the top in order to go back to the previous screen.

To upload your signed Memorandum of Agreement, select “Open” next to Action Required. Then, upload your signed MOA (as a .pdf file) and select “Save”.

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Awarded

Award View

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If you have completed and would like to view or print, please click the “View” button to the right.

Award Acceptance Action Required Open >

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Awarded Submission Submit

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Homepage > GFS CDC > Award Acceptance Input Draft

Please complete all required fields.

You can save as a draft and return later to complete by clicking “Save Draft” at the bottom of the page.

When you are ready to submit this step, please click the blue “Save” button at the bottom of the page.

Award Acceptance

Signed Memorandum of Understanding *

+ Select a file

#2 upload signed MOA

Save Draft Save

#3 “Save” to submit MOA

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Select your center name again to go back. Then select “Submit”

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Awarded

Award [View](#)

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Award Acceptance [Action Required](#) [View](#) [Edit](#)

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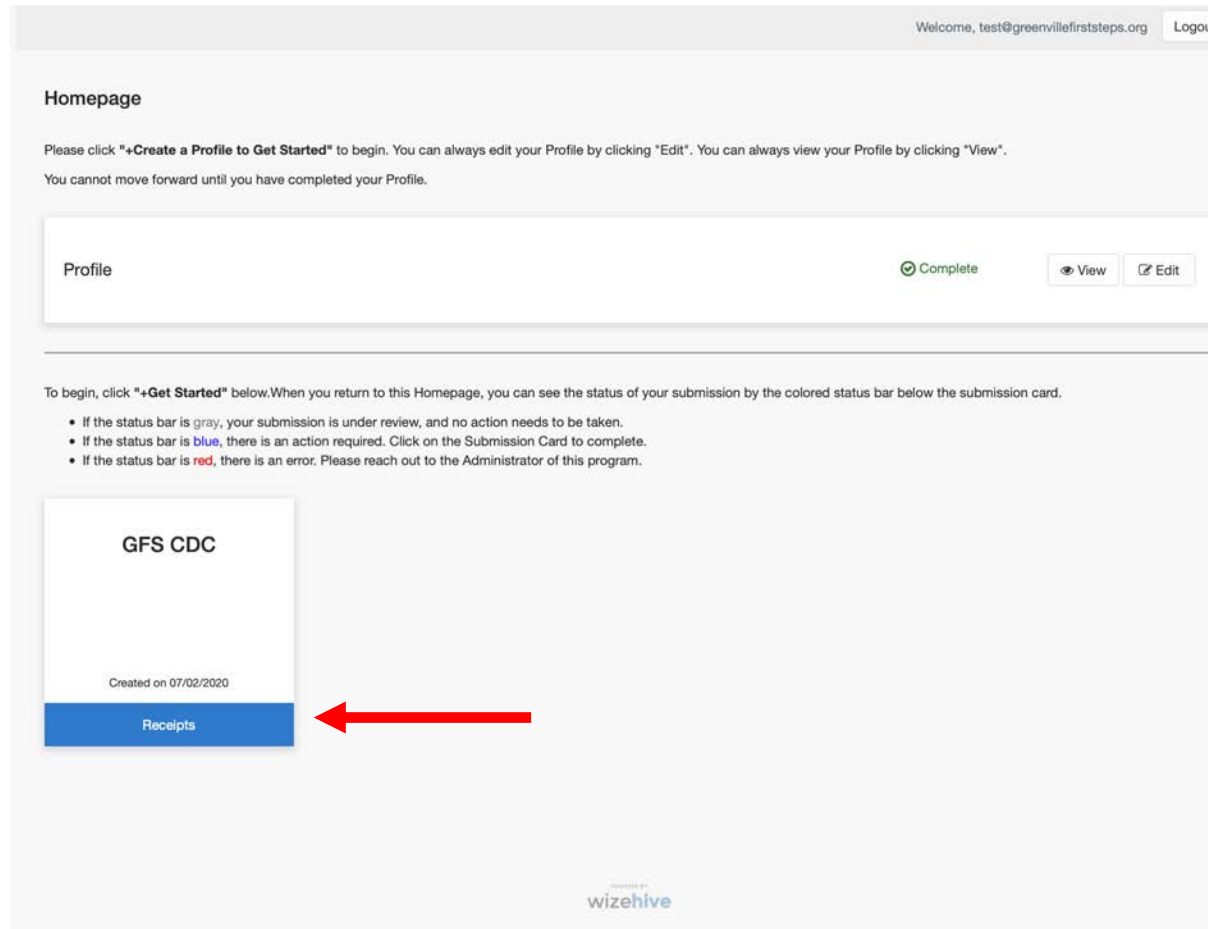
Awarded Submission [Submit](#)

When every step in this submission is complete, the "Submit" button to the right will become green and clickable.

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After your MOA is submitted, Greenville First Steps will approve you to begin entering reimbursement receipts.

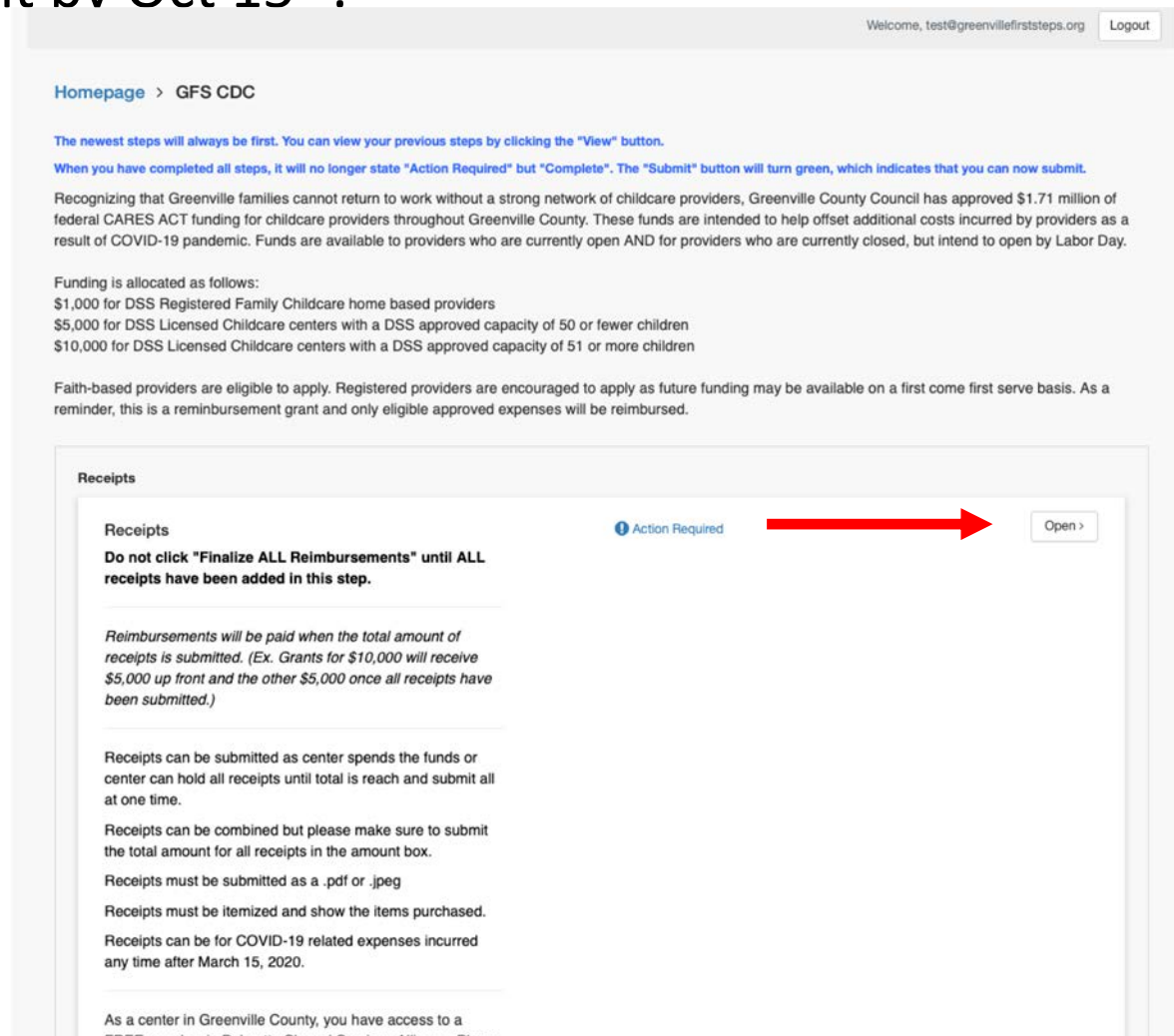
After your MOA has been approved, the submission card on the Home Page will say “Receipts”. Select “Receipts” once you are ready to begin a submission.



*Note: you can upload receipts one at a time as you spend funds or you can submit them all at one time. To view your Remaining Award Balance, select “View” next to “Award” on your home page.

4. Submitting Reimbursement Receipts

Select “Open” to upload your receipts. You can upload one at a time as you spend or save all receipts and upload them once all funds have been spent. Reminder all money should be spent by Oct 15th.



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Receipts

Receipts Action Required Open >

Do not click "Finalize ALL Reimbursements" until ALL receipts have been added in this step.

Reimbursements will be paid when the total amount of receipts is submitted. (Ex. Grants for \$10,000 will receive \$5,000 up front and the other \$5,000 once all receipts have been submitted.)

Receipts can be submitted as center spends the funds or center can hold all receipts until total is reach and submit all at one time.

Receipts can be combined but please make sure to submit the total amount for all receipts in the amount box.

Receipts must be submitted as a .pdf or .jpeg

Receipts must be itemized and show the items purchased.

Receipts can be for COVID-19 related expenses incurred any time after March 15, 2020.

As a center in Greenville County, you have access to a EDCS member in Palmetto Shared Services Alliance. Please

**Do not click
"Finalize ALL Reimbursements"
until ALL receipts have been
added.**

Select “Add New Item” to upload each receipt.

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[Homepage](#) > [GFS CDC](#) > Receipts Listing

Please click "+Add New Item" to add a new receipt.

To view your remaining balance, please check your Award.

You need to have a minimum of 1 item in this list in order to submit your entry.

Export CSV

+ Add New Item

There are no items in this list.

It's lonely here! [Add some items.](#)

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Enter the receipt total, date, and description of items purchased, including how they stop or slow the spread of COVID-19. Then, upload a .pdf or .jpg of the ITEMIZED receipt. Finish the upload by selecting “Save”.

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Please complete all required fields.
You can save as a draft and return later to complete by clicking "Save Draft" at the bottom of the page.
When you are ready to submit this step, please click the blue "Save" button at the bottom of the page.

Receipt Request Amount *
This field is required
\$

Request Date *

Receipt *
[+ Select a file](#) ⓘ

Please describe how the items purchased stop or slow the spread of COVID-19. *

Greenville First Steps Approval Status

Greenville First Steps Reasoning (if applicable)

[Cancel](#) [Save](#)

**You can upload one receipt at a time or combine receipts into one file.*

You can then upload your next receipt (if applicable) and view the status of all submitted receipts to see if they were approved or denied.

The image shows two screenshots of a web application interface. The top screenshot is the 'Receipts Listing' page, which includes a header with a welcome message and a 'Logout' button. The breadcrumb trail is 'Homepage > GFS CDC > Receipts Listing'. Instructions on the page state: 'Please click "+Add New Item" to add a new receipt.', 'To view your remaining balance, please check your Award.', and 'You need to have a minimum of 1 item in this list in order to submit your entry.' A table lists a receipt with the name '2020-07-05'. To the right of the table are buttons for 'Export', 'Add New Item', and 'View'. A red arrow points from the 'Export' button to the 'Add New Item' button. The bottom screenshot is the 'Receipts View' page, showing details for the selected receipt. It includes a 'Request Date' of 07/05/2020, a 'Receipt' link for 'GFS CDC MOA.pdf', a description of the purchase ('We purchased new flooring.'), the 'Greenville First Steps Approval Status' as 'Approved', and a section for 'Greenville First Steps Reasoning (if applicable)'. A red arrow points from the 'View' button in the top screenshot to the 'Receipts View' page. A 'Print' button is located at the bottom right of the 'Receipts View' page.

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Homepage > GFS CDC > Receipts Listing

Please click "+Add New Item" to add a new receipt.

To view your remaining balance, please check your Award.

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Name
2020-07-05

Export Add New Item View

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ts Listing > Receipts View

by clicking "Save Draft" at the bottom of the page.
k the blue "Save" button at the bottom of the page.

Print

Request Date
07/05/2020

Receipt
[GFS CDC MOA.pdf](#)

Please describe how the items purchased stop or slow the spread of COVID-19.
We purchased new flooring.

Greenville First Steps Approval Status
Approved

Greenville First Steps Reasoning (if applicable)

If approved, you can view your Remaining Award Balance by selecting "View" next to "Award" on your home page. If denied, you will receive a reason.

Once you have uploaded receipts for the TOTAL amount awarded, select “Finalize ALL Reimbursements.” After selecting this option, receipts will no longer be accepted and you will not be reimbursed for any additional funds spent.

Receipts can be submitted as center spends the funds or center can hold all receipts until total is reach and submit all at one time.

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Payments Submission

Do not click "Finalize ALL Reimbursements" until ALL receipts have been added in this step.

When every receipt has been added, this step is complete. You may now click the "Submit" button to the right.

The submission is not fully submitted until you click the green "Submit" button. Once you click "Submit" the submission will no longer be editable.

Finalize ALL Reimbursements

****If you selected this option in error, please contact Anne Lee at annelee@greenvillefirststeps.org.****

5. Submitting Completion Survey

Select “Open” and fill out the Completion Survey as the final step in the grant process. Once completed, select “Submit”.

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Completion Survey

Completion Survey

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If you have already started, please click the "Edit" button to the right to continue.

If you have completed and would like to view or print, please click the "View" button to the right.

ⓘ Action Required

Open >

Completion Survey Submission

When every step in this submission is complete, the "Submit" button to the right will become green and clickable.

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Submit

You will receive your final reimbursement check for the 2nd half of your grant award
AFTER this is submitted.



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