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THE BFD REPORT



{{FirstName or 'Friend'}},

We're thrilled to have so many new folks joining our BFD Report list! Thank you for making donations and taking action in a BIG way in 2022. You made sure we could start the year strong and head into Oregon's 2023 legislative session with the momentum we need.

YOUR WINS

- Your continued support has ensured we're ready to pass a robust <u>2023 Care Agenda</u> in Oregon. This is our largest ever legislative agenda, with nearly 20 priority bills to pass in the next six months.
- Our new Governor named <u>child care as a priority in her inaugural</u> <u>address</u>. This is your doing! More below on how monumental this is for our movement.
- The equity changes we fought to pass in Oregon's public day care program (ERDC) are in effect! Because of your support, we were able to put together a graphic series in <u>English</u> and <u>Spanish</u> to help spread the word.

YOUR IMPACT

"Imagine an Oregon where every child has a safe place to receive a high-quality public education, and every working family has access to affordable child care." —Oregon's Governor, Tina Kotek, in her inaugural address on January 9, 2023

All those hours canvassing, making phone calls, and sending texts to elect a child care champion are paying off! Governor Kotek made clear in her inaugural address that addressing Oregon's child care crisis is a top priority for her as Governor. We are so excited to work with Governor Kotek in the coming years to make universal child care for every family, with living wages for all providers, a reality in Oregon.

This movement has been working so hard for so long, and we're seeing real change happen. It's a beautiful moment and we hope you take time to celebrate it!

But we have to hold our elected leaders accountable to their words and promises if we are to really achieve racial, gender, and economic justice. Your continued support ensures that impacted moms, parents, and caregivers are able to advocate directly for these policies with lawmakers.

Over the next six months, we'll work together to make major changes and investments in our child care system; expand mental health care access; support families financially; ensure basic needs are being met; and more.

That's a BFD.



Amy Hojnowski Development Director & Mom of Two Family Forward Action

P.S. You're invited! Join us (virtually) to lobby lawmakers in support of our priority bills on child care on Monday, February 20. Learn more and register here: childcarefororegon.org/lobby







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