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View the full press release [HERE](#) to learn more about this partnership and Build Up for San Mateo County's Children.



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Initiative supported by a grant from Chan Zuckerberg Initiative to help preserve and expand child care and preschool facilities in Redwood City and North Fair Oaks

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Redwood City 2020 is Build Up's first partnership with a community collaborative that works in close partnership with local government. The City of Redwood City serves as Redwood City 2020's fiscal agent and core partner. As a leading city in San Mateo County, Redwood City understands the challenges working families face in securing child care in the community, and is working to model best practices that help alleviate the child care and preschool shortage. This new partnership is supported by a grant from the Chan Zuckerberg Initiative.

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About Build Up
Build Up for San Mateo County's Children formed as a collaborative cross-sector initiative in 2018 to address a critical shortage of affordable, high-quality child care and preschool options. Build Up engages local companies to encourage them to create child care facilities for their employees, tracks local real estate projects for child care opportunities, identifies resources to

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