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## City of Beloit receives funding to support childcare supply strategic plan

July 18, 2023 - We are excited to announce that City of Beloit has been selected as a member of the International City/County Management Association (ICMA)'s Economic Mobility and Opportunity (EMO) Cohort! ICMA is a professional local government organization that provides leadership, innovation, ethics, and management best practices to local government professionals across the globe.

As a member of the cohort, City of Beloit will receive a \$30,000 grant to advance local activities designed to boost upward mobility for our residents. Support to the International City/County Management Association to make the work possible comes from the <u>Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation's Economic Mobility and Opportunity (EMO) program</u>. Our efforts over the next several months will focus on developing a plan to address the childcare crisis in our community.

In addition to supporting our local work, a team of officials and staff will have opportunities to meet with our peers from local governments working on similar issues, as well as technical experts in this field. Through participation in this cohort, we look forward to learning more about drivers of mobility and opportunity and what is working in terms to move the needle for the security, health, and welfare of vulnerable residents in communities across the country.

We will share more about ways for community members to engage with this effort as the work unfolds. For now, please join us in celebrating City of Beloit, as well as our local government peers on taking this important step towards increased economic mobility for our residents:

- 1. City of Beloit, Wisconsin
- 2. Chesterfield County, Virginia
- 3. City of Dubuque, Iowa
- 4. El Paso County, Texas
- 5. City of Grand Island, Nebraska
- 6. City of Gresham, Oregon
- 7. City of Meadville, Pennsylvania
- 8. City of Morgan Hill, California
- 9. San Juan County, Utah
- 10. Town of Tarboro, North Carolina

For more information on the initiative, visit the ICMA website at icma.org/emo.