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| <u>802 Opportunity</u>                                   | family AGI less than \$75,000              | CCV   |  | tuition and \$100 fee                   | FAFSA & VT state grant      | X                   |
| <u>CDD Tuition Assistance Grant</u>                      |  |   | employed at least 3 months by a CDD regulated child care program | tuition only (maximum \$1,000/semester) | FAFSA & VT state grant      | X                   |
| <u>Critical Occupations</u>                              | income less than \$150,000                 | CU, CCV, NVU, VTC                                       |  | tuition                                 | FAFSA & VT state grant      | X                   |
| <u>Degree Completion</u>                                 | income up to 300% of federal poverty level | CU, CCV, NVU, VTC                                       |  | tuition and fees                        | FAFSA & VT state grant      | X                   |
| Let's Grow Kids Scholarship for Aspiring Early Educators | demonstrate financial need                 | accredited VT institution eligible for Title IV funding | intention to work in VT for a minimum of 2 years after education | up to \$1,500 (three available awards)  | FAFSA, VT state grant & USA | X                   |
| <u>Student Loan Repayment Assistance Program</u>         | annual salary less than \$50,000           |   | work in a CDD regulated program for 30 hours/week for 48 weeks   | up to \$4,000/annually to reduce debt   |                             | X                   |



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| <u>T.E.A.C.H. Early Childhood@ Vermont</u>   | priority to modest income Vermonters (when there is a waitlist) | CCV, NVU, CU, Champlain, Springfield College, SMC | work at least 30 hours/week for 3 months at a regulated program      | Tuition, books, Access Stipend, Bonus                          | FAFSA & VT state grant                  |                     |
| <u>Vermont Early Childhood Education Apprenticeship Program</u>                                    | priority to modest income Vermonters (when there is a waitlist) | CCV   | work at least 30 hours/week for 3 months at a regulated program      | Tuition, books, Access Stipend, Bonus                          | VT Advancement Grant                    | X                   |
| <u>VSAC Scholarship for Prospective Early Childhood Educators (interest free forgivable loan).</u> | priority to modest income Vermonters                            | CU, CCV, NVU, other institutions                  | work in VT at a regulated program one year for every year of funding | Tuition only   | FAFSA, VT state grant, USA, & prom note | X                   |
| <u>VT Advancement Grant</u>  | depends on financial need                                       | CU, CCV, NVU, VTC, other institutions             |  | up to \$7,500  | VT Advancement grant                    |                     |
| <u>VT State Grant</u>  | depends on enrollment and financial need                        | CU, CCV, NVU, VTC, other institutions             |  | \$500 - \$14,000 depending on enrollment and eligibility       | FAFSA & VT state grant                  |                     |
| <u>Welcome Home</u>  |   | CU, CCV, NVU, VTC                                 |  | up to \$5,000 per year for full time and \$3,000 for part time | FAFSA & VT state grant                  | X                   |