

# SBCEO UPK Support March 2, 2023



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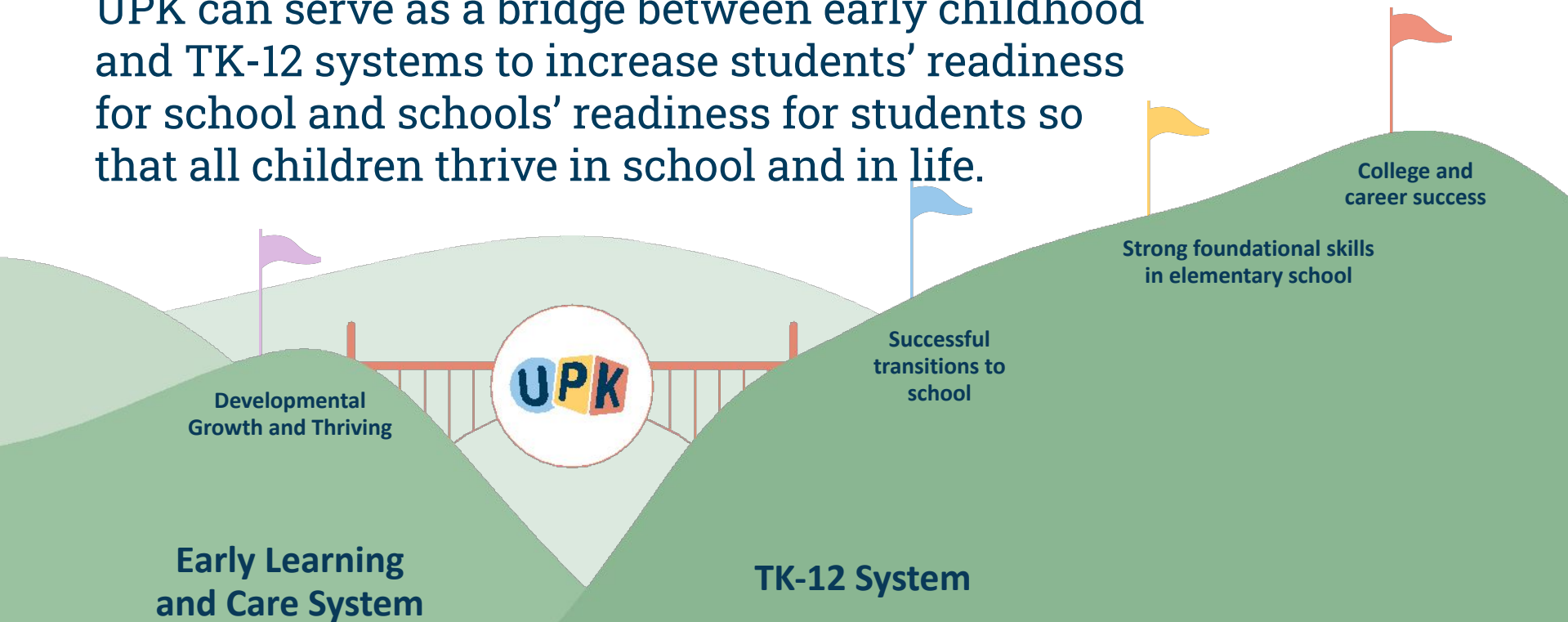
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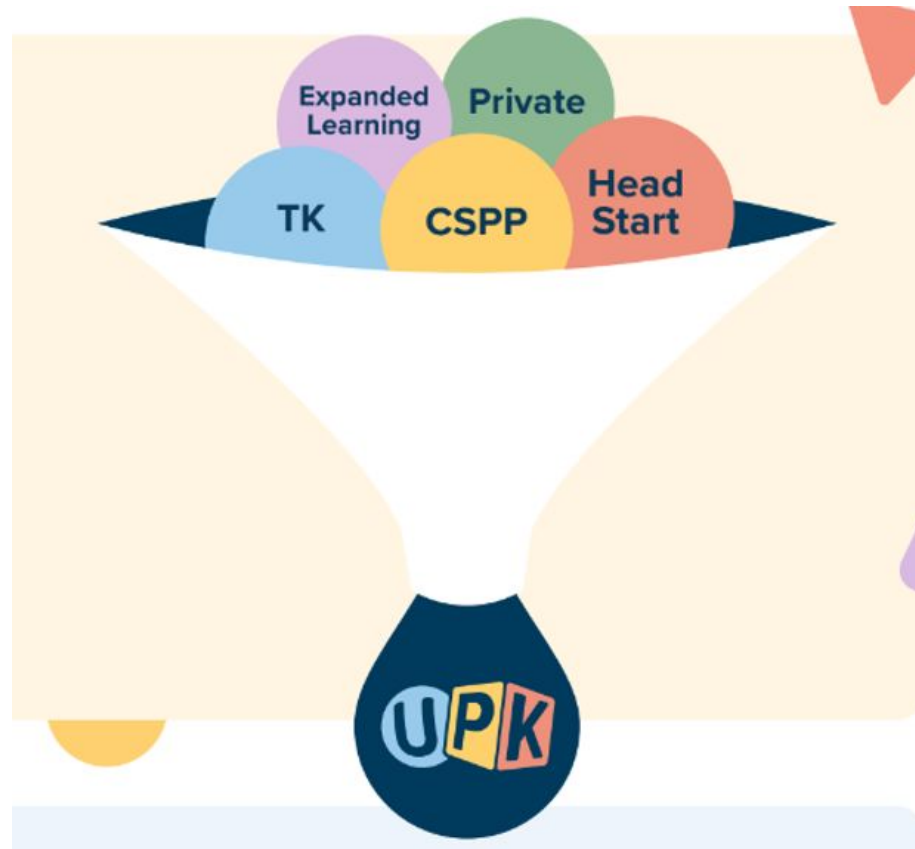
Universal PreKindergarten (UPK) is the expansion of the state's mixed delivery system to meet the early education needs of 3 and 4-year-old children and their families, including Transitional Kindergarten which will be available for free to all 4-year-olds by 2025-2026.

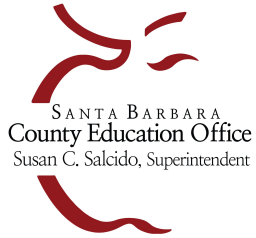
UPK is an essential part of transforming California's schools and giving every student in California a great start.

UPK can serve as a bridge between early childhood and TK-12 systems to increase students' readiness for school and schools' readiness for students so that all children thrive in school and in life.



# Parent Choice





# SBCEO Supports

**Provide  
Preschool &  
Early Care**

**Support Early  
Educators  
  
Providers/  
Teachers**

**Support LEAs  
who Provide  
TK**



# UPK Planning & Implementation Focus Areas

A. Vision, Clarity, and  
Coherence

B. Partnerships and Community  
Engagement

C. Workforce, Recruitment &  
Professional Learning

D. Curriculum & Instruction

E. Facilities and Operations

## **Vision & Coherence**

**UPK Planning & Implementation Plans**

**UPK Network**

**P-3 Credential Updates**

## **Community Engagement**

**Create Partnerships**

**Community Resilience Model**

**CCPC (Child Care Planning Council)**

## **Workforce & PL**

**Early Education Development Teacher Grant**

**ECE Workforce Pathway- Stipend**

**Professional Learning**

## **Curriculum Instruction**

**Power of Play Teaching Pyramid & MTSS**

**UPK Community of Practice**

**UPK Teachers Collaborative**

## **Facilities & Operations**

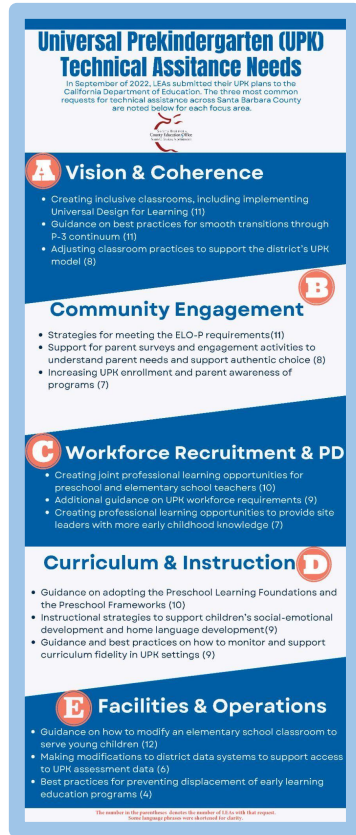
**Community Schools Planning & Implementation Grants**

**Mixed Delivery Grant**

# Vision and Coherence



# UPK Planning & Implementation



Supported every LEA's plan development

UPK Survey & Program Report

Summary and Analysis of all Responses in our County

Technical Assistance Needs

# Local Impact on Statewide Practice

- Facilitated Collaboration - CDE/DSS and our County
  - UPK Task Force - Janelle Willis, Representative
    - Provide recommendations on the requirements for County Offices to support UPK implementation
  - UPK Quality & Access Work Group - Christian Patterson, Representative
    - Provide recommendations on best practices for increasing access to high-quality universal preschool
    - Provide recommendations to update preschool standards
    - Ensure that recommendations are in alignment with the work of the Master Plan for Early Learning and Care



# Community Engagement

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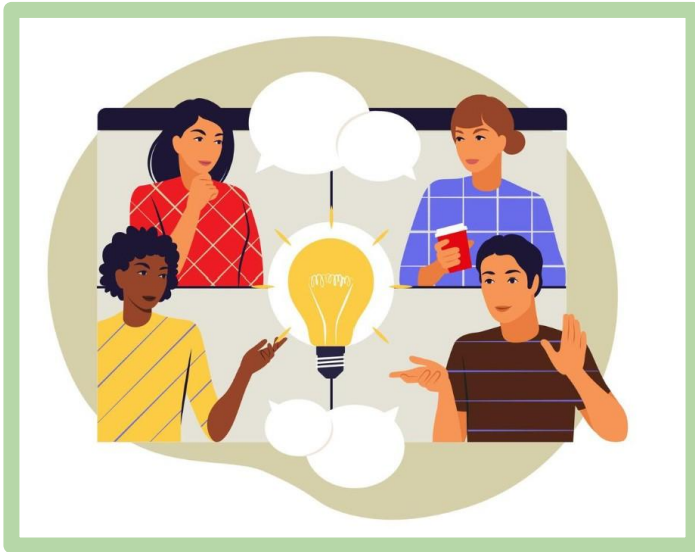
# Child Care Planning Council (CCPC)

Santa Barbara County Child Care Planning Council is a forum made up of community partners which supports planning and actions to promote a quality education system that meets the needs of all children and families ages birth to age 12.



- Leadership Professional Development
- Workforce Development
- Stipends
- Facilities
- Community Partnership
- Advocacy

# ECE Collaborative Networks



Network for ECE leaders to share policies and procedures, collaborate with licensing, and support each other.

# UPK Community of Practice

A countrywide network of  
district leaders, administrators,  
& community-based leaders

Build Relationships

Share implementation  
successes & progress.



# Parent Education

- Child Development Resources
- Education on High Quality Programs
- Parenting Classes
  - Teaching Pyramid for Families
  - Family Strengthening Training
  - Inclusion- training, resources, and advocacy (ALPHA Partner)
- Volunteer Opportunities to build knowledge of child development.

Education on choices for young children's education (UPK)



# Workforce and Professional Learning



# ECE Workforce Professional Development

Infant -Toddler Teachers  
Preschool Teachers  
TK Teachers  
Private Centers  
Family Child Care Providers (FCC)  
Family Friend and Neighbor  
Administration



Between 70-100 Free Trainings a Year  
Offer Individualized Trainings  
Coaching



Early Care  
& Education




# UPK Professional Development

Wednesday March 1 &  
Wednesday May 10

SBCEO Auditorium



The workshop, a free book,  
and substitute costs are  
supported by Early Education  
Teacher Development Grant



## Playful Transformation with the use of Loose Parts\*

*\*a collection of unpredictable objects that expand upon children's wonder and play*

**M**iriam Belogovsky, a professor of early childhood education is a play advocate, author, and coach. Her work engages, inspires, and motivates audiences worldwide to explore the power of play and embrace play as a vehicle that transforms lives.



**Audience:**  
All Preschool, TK, Kindergarten teachers, & administrators who support our students in Santa Barbara County

**March 1, 2023  
AND  
May 10, 2023  
8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.**

**Location: Auditorium, SBCEO  
4400 Cathedral Oaks Rd.**

**Cost: \$35 per session**  
-Includes breakfast & lunch

Each participant will receive a free copy of Miriam's book, *Loose Parts*

The workshop, book, and substitute costs are supported by Early Education Teacher Development Grant Fund

**REGISTRATION**  
March 1  
[Click here to register](#)  
May 10  
[Click here to register](#)

**March 1: Loose Parts-Inspiring Play in Children**  
Participants will:  
• Engage in hands-on, interactive opportunities that explore a wide variety of Loose Parts  
• Understand the research, theory, and value of Loose Parts  
• Discover how to incorporate Loose Parts into the learning environment

**May 10: Using Loose Parts to Create Culturally Sustainable Environments**  
Participants will:  
• Learn components of Loose Parts to design environments that foster cultural sustainability  
• Explore the elements that create equitable and inclusive ecosystems  
• Focus on how to extend the play and learning opportunities for children with diverse abilities

For more information, please contact:  
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# Early Education Teacher Development Grant

**2022-23 Early Education Teacher Development Grant (EETDG) REQUIREMENTS**  
APPLICATIONS ARE DUE BY APRIL 30, 2023

**REQUIREMENTS FOR TRANSITIONAL KINDERGARTEN & MULTIPLE SUBJECT TEACHERS**  
The Santa Barbara County Education Office is now accepting applications from teachers for reimbursement for the Early Teacher Development Grant (EETDG). This program is available to current 2022-2023 Transitional Kindergarten teachers and Multiple Subject teachers who want to be eligible to teach TK, who work in the classroom directly with children in Santa Barbara County. The intent of this program is to support early childhood educators in meeting TK compliance requirements and to further their education, thus enhancing the quality and continuity of care and education for the children of Santa Barbara County.

For this program, fees are defined as cost of tuition, registration fees, and classroom course materials. All courses must be specifically related to child development and/or early care and education. The date range for courses spans from July 1, 2022- June 30, 2023.

The rules and regulations of the grant are as follows:

- The total amount available in the grant for each fiscal year July 1 to June 30, shall be based on the provisions as set forth by the California Department of Education (CDE)
- This program will function as a reimbursement system in paying for tuition, registration fees, books, materials, and costs of approved child development/and or early childhood education courses only.
- Reimbursement will be made upon successful completion as demonstrated by a grade card, transcript copy or other acceptable method of verification of pass or grade of "C" or better.

**PROCEDURES**

1. Complete and submit the Early Education Teacher Development Grant Application and W-9 form by April 30, 2023
1. Appropriate original receipts and coursework transcripts and/or grade card must be submitted by June 30, 2023 or within 4-6 weeks of course completion.

Documents can be submitted by one of the following options:

(a) Mailed to: Santa Barbara County Education Office  
Attn: Cristina Ortega  
4400 Cathedral Oaks Road  
Santa Barbara, CA 93110

OR

(b) Submitted electronically to: Cristina Ortega - cortega@sbceo.org

If you have questions or for additional information, please contact:  
Cristina Ortega, Director, Early Learning Support, Santa Barbara County Education Office  
(805) 964 4719 x5471 cortega@sbceo.org

\$1.02M funding to serve our county

PK and TK teachers need additional coursework for certification

Reimbursement for ECE units, registration fees, books and materials.

# Curriculum and Instruction

# Link to TK - 12 Standards

*Adapted from The Alignment of the California Preschool Learning Foundations with Key Early Education Resources*

## K - 12 California Standard

**Health Education, Mental, Emotional, & Social Health**



**English-Language Arts**



**English-Language Development**



**Mathematics**



**Visual and Performing Arts**



**Physical Education**



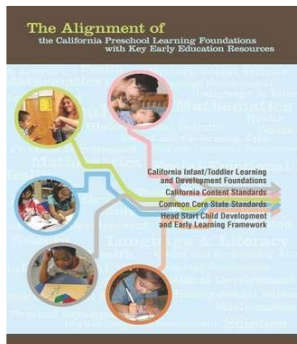
**Health Education**



**History-Social Science**



**Science**



## CA Preschool Learning Foundations

**Social-Emotional Development**

**Language and Literacy**

**English-Language Development**

**Mathematics**

**All Domains**

**Perceptual & Motor Development  
Cognitive Development**

**Health**

**History-Social Science**

**Science**

## Infant & Toddler

**Social-Emotional Development**

**Language Development**

**Language Development**

**Cognitive Development**

**Visual and Performing Arts**

**Physical Development**

**All Domains**

**Social-Emotional Development**

**Cognitive Development  
Language Development**

# UPK Teachers Collaborative



An open forum for  
Preschool, TK, &  
Kindergarten teachers

Discuss and share relevant  
best practices, research,  
resources, and new  
learning.

# Facilities and Operations

# Mixed Delivery Grant



- Plan for UPK options in a mixed delivery system aligned with Title 5 standards, coordinated services, and referrals for families to health and social support services
- Plan for increasing inclusion of children with exceptional needs in UPK
- Plan for workforce development

## Emerging Needs

Facilities  
Staffing



# Provider Meetings

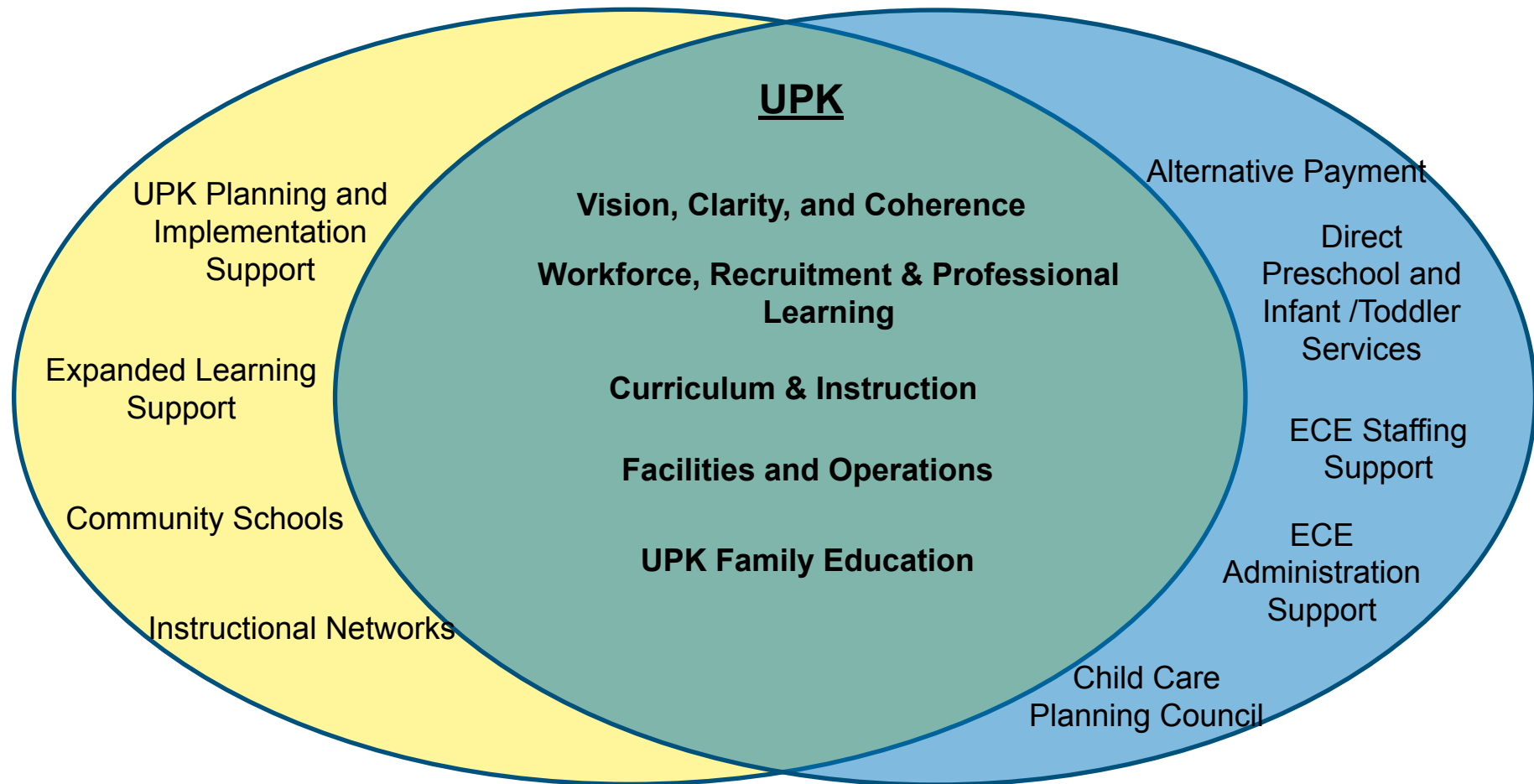
Countywide meeting for CSPP  
(State Preschool) and CCTR  
(General Childcare) providers.

Supports providers in  
maintaining compliance with  
state regulations.



# C & I

# ECE



This is an exciting new direction for California, but implementation will require time and grace, as multiple systems shift to meet the challenge.

