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**Candace Wong, Member**

Candace is the Director of the California Child Development Programs at the Low Income Investment Fund (LIIF), a national community development financial institution (CDFI) that provides capital opportunities for people to lift themselves out of poverty, such as affordable homes, high-performing schools and child care-- projects that have high social value but may not have access to the services offered by traditional financial institutions.

Candace oversees the Child Care Facilities Fund, a national award winning program that provides child care facilities development grants and loans, with facilities and business capacity building programs. She has over 20 years of experience in the nonprofit sector directing programs for families that included child care, parent education and support services, serving young children with special health care needs, immigrant families and English language learners. In addition to her role at LIIF, Candace is appointed to the Our Children, Our Families Council, an advisory body co-led by the Mayor and San Francisco Unified School District Superintendent that aims to align city, school district, and community efforts to improve outcomes for children, youth, and families. Candace has a B.S. in Business Administration from San Francisco State University.

