

## The Outcome

The West Village Community Drop-In is not simply another childcare program; it is a pilot of a cooperative, community-led early learning and care model rooted in mutual aid, responsive pedagogy, access, and community empowerment. Its focus on affordability, equity, community ownership, high-quality early learning, and replicability offer a local solution to a national childcare and early education crisis — the systemic lack of affordable, equitable, and sustainable care and learning options for families across the U.S.