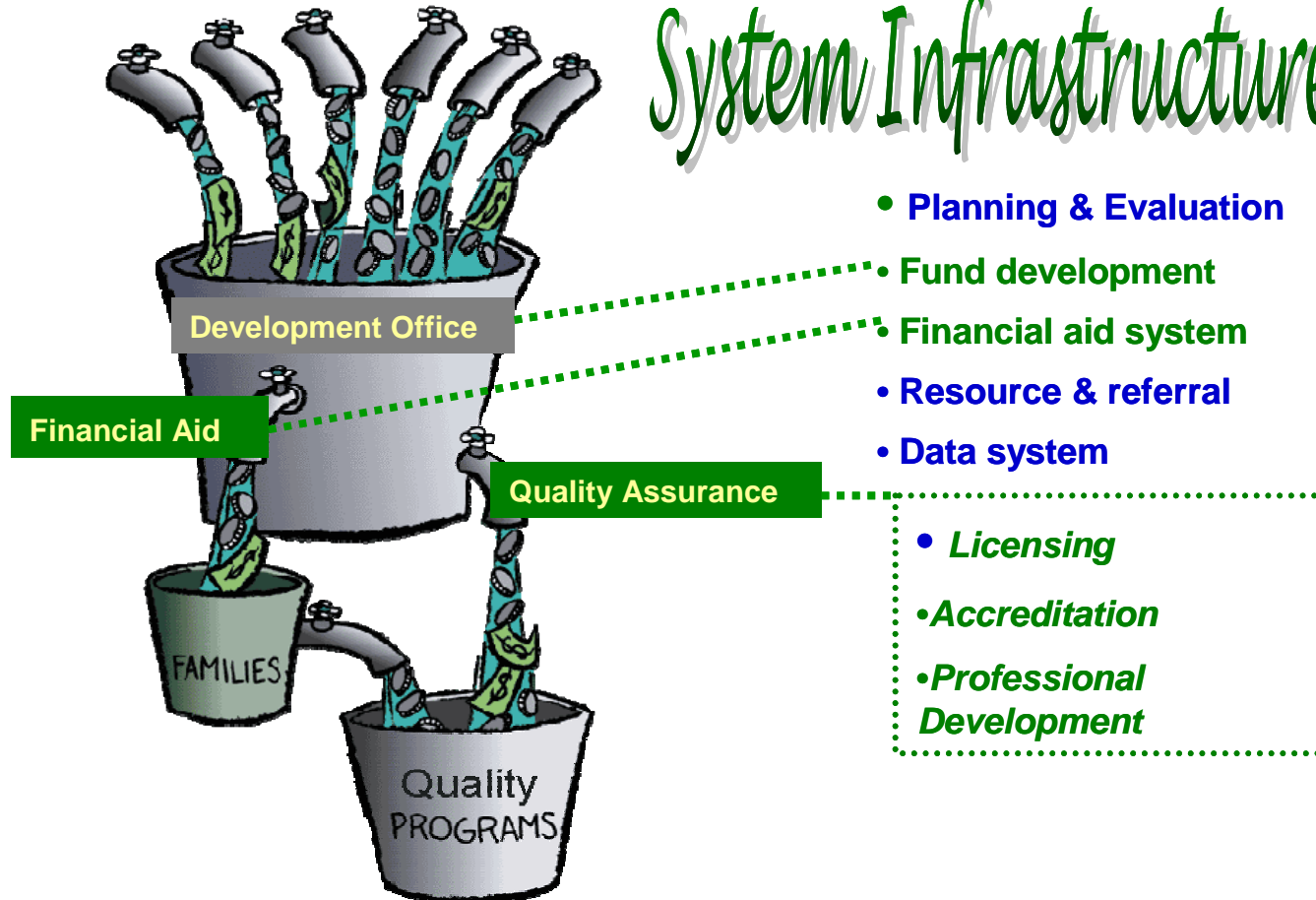


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System Infrastructure



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The bucket is a metaphor for the financing challenge for partnerships.

For example, if your partnership goal is to increase family access to high quality programs, it may help to:

- Identify all of the current funding streams, or spigots;
- Make sure they are turned up as high as they will go; and
- Add some additional “spigots” or funding streams.

To achieve intended outcomes, it may need to figure out:

- How the funding will flow;
- Who the partners are; and
- What the infrastructure is that will need to be put in place.