

**REPORT/RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
OF SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY  
AND RECORD OF ACTION**

July 27, 2021

**FROM**

**JACQUELYN GREENE, Interim Director, Preschool Services Department**

**SUBJECT**

Non-Financial Memorandum of Understanding with Ontario-Montclair School District for Disability Services

**RECOMMENDATION(S)**

Approve non-financial **Memorandum of Understanding No. 21-560** with Ontario-Montclair School District, to provide disability services for eligible preschool children, for the contract period of August 1, 2021 through July 31, 2024.

(Presenter: Jacquelyn Greene, Interim Director, 383-2025)

**COUNTY AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER GOALS & OBJECTIVES**

**Provide for the Safety, Health and Social Service Needs of County Residents.**

**Pursue County Goals and Objectives by Working with Other Agencies.**

**FINANCIAL IMPACT**

The recommended Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is non-financial in nature and as such, does not impact Discretionary General Funding (Net County Cost).

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Head Start Performance Standards and the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) require collaboration in the form of formal non-financial agreements with school districts, referred to as Local Educational Agencies (LEA), that provide disability services for children. The primary objective of the agreement is to provide tools that will assist a child to effectively progress through the school system.

Children who are suspected of having, or are at risk of having, developmental delays or disabilities may be referred by family members, doctors, or school providers to the LEAs for a comprehensive evaluation and identification of the appropriate service needs as deemed necessary. The Preschool Services Department (PSD) and the LEA work together in a coordinated effort to increase a disabled child's ability to learn.

LEA will provide children ages 3 to 5 deemed disabled an Individual Education Plan (IEP), any needed programs, aids, and services, which may include enrollment for state preschool at a LEA in addition to PSD's Head Start classroom. The LEAs directly serve any child considered to be moderately to severely disabled as they are better equipped to provide educational services. The IEP includes an assessment of the child's present level of development and instructions considered necessary for the child's progress. The effectiveness of the services will be assessed by the LEA annually and any necessary changes to the IEP will be made at that time.

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All PSD enrolled children will be monitored for progress across all domains, such as cognitive and social emotional to align with the progress identified in the IEP.

PSD provides Head Start, Early Head Start, and State Preschool programs that include comprehensive child development and family services comprised of education, health, nutrition, parent involvement, and psychological services for children ages 0 to 5 and their families. Head Start and State Preschool programs have been operating in San Bernardino County since 1965. Since 1999, PSD has provided these programs through a combination of direct and contracted services. The overall goal of pHead Start programs is to increase the health and school readiness of disadvantaged children and increase the self-sufficiency of low-income families.

**PROCUREMENT**

N/A

**REVIEW BY OTHERS**

This item has been reviewed by Human Services Contracts (Becky Giroux, Contracts Manager, 388-0241) on July 7, 2021; County Counsel (Adam Ebright, Deputy County Counsel, 387-5455) on July 12, 2021; Finance (Christopher Lange, Administrative Analyst, 386-8392) on July 8, 2021; and Human Services Finance and Administration (Tanya Bratton, Deputy Executive Officer, 388-0332) on July 8, 2021.

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**APPROVED (CONSENT CALENDAR)**

Moved: Dawn Rowe Seconded: Col. Paul Cook (Ret.)

Ayes: Col. Paul Cook (Ret.), Janice Rutherford, Dawn Rowe, Curt Hagman, Joe Baca, Jr.

Lynna Monell, CLERK OF THE BOARD

BY   
DATED: July 27, 2021



cc: PSD- Gitonga w/agree  
Contractor- C/O PSD w/agree  
File- w/agree  
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