



San Bernardino County

Legislation Text

File #: 4494, Agenda Item #: 27

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

July 13, 2021

FROM

JACQUELYN GREENE, Assistant Director, Preschool Services Department

SUBJECT

Amendment to Contract with Child Care Resource Center to Provide Subsidized Childcare Through the Early Head Start - Child Care Partnership Program

RECOMMENDATION(S)

Approve Amendment No. 3, effective July 1, 2021, to Contract No. 20-493 with Child Care Resource Center to provide subsidized childcare as part of the Early Head Start-Child Care Partnership Program, increasing the total contract amount by \$923,811, from \$4,634,706 to \$5,558,517, for cost-of-living adjustments, facility projects, and continued childcare services, with no change in the total contract period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2023.

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

COUNTY AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER GOALS & OBJECTIVES

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

FINANCIAL IMPACT

This item does not impact Discretionary General Funding (Net County Cost). The increase of \$923,812 for subsidized childcare is 100% federally funded by supplemental grant funding from the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families (ACF). Adequate appropriation and revenue have been included in the Preschool Services Department's (PSD) 2021-22 budget and will be included in the 2022-23 recommended budget.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The overall goal of Early Head Start programs is to increase the health and school readiness of disadvantaged children and increase the self-sufficiency of low-income families. The recommended amendment to the contract will enable Child Care Resource Center (CCRC) to provide a 1.2% COLA for its personnel and complete facility projects for the installation of shade structures at Family Child Care centers that were delayed due to Safer at Home Orders during the COVID-19 pandemic. Additionally, the funding will allow for the purchase of technology equipment, office supplies, and training and travel costs for the continued provision of subsidized childcare services to infants, toddlers and their families who qualify for these services through the EHS-CCP Program.

Head Start, Early Head Start, and State Preschool programs provide comprehensive child development and family services that include education, health, nutrition, parent involvement, and psychological services for

children age 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 recommended amendment is being presented to the Board of Supervisors (Board) at this time, as PSD received the funding notices from ACF on April 22, 2021 for the 1.2% COLA funding on May 28, 2021 for the American Rescue Plan funding. The COLA funding is effective July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022. This is the first date available for presentation of these amendments following the required operational, fiscal, and legal reviews. Approval by the Board at this time, will have no impact on PSD's Head Start and Early Head Start Programs services and activities.

PROCUREMENT

On June 23, 2020 (Item No. 55), the Board of Supervisors (Board) approved Contract No. 20-493 with CCRC to provide subsidized childcare as part of EHS-CCP Program, in the amount of \$4,474,824 for the period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2023.

On October 27, 2020 (Item No. 55), the Board approved Amendment No. 1, effective July 1, 2020, to Contract No. 20-493 with CCRC, to provide subsidized childcare as part of EHS-CCP Program, increasing the total by \$95,812, from \$4,474,824 to \$4,570,636, with no change to the total contract period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2023. Amendment No. 1 increased the contract to reflect a 2% COLA, as well as CARES Act funding for COVID-19 related costs, such as distance learning equipment and safety supplies.

On April 6, 2021 (Item No. 31), the Board approved Amendment No. 2, effective July 1, 2020, to Contract No. 20-493 with CCRC, to provide subsidized childcare as part of EHS-CCP Program, increasing the total by \$64,070, from \$4,570,636 to \$4,634,706, with no change to the total contract period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2023.

REVIEW BY OTHERS

This item has been reviewed by Human Services Contracts (Becky Giroux, Contracts Manager, 388-0241) on June 25, 2021; County Counsel (Adam Ebright, Deputy County Counsel, 387-5455) on June 10, 2021; Finance (Paul Garcia, Administrative Analyst, 386-8392) on June 11, 2021; and County Finance and Administration (Tanya Bratton, Deputy Executive Officer, 388-0332) on June 25, 2021.