

**Contra Costa County Employment & Human Services Department
Community Services Bureau
2015 Early Head Start-Child Care Partnerships Funding Application**

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
INCOMING FUNDS NARRATIVE STATEMENT**

1. PROJECT/PROGRAM TITLE. Early Head Start-Child Care Partnerships Funding Application for Budget Period January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015.

2. FUNDING AGENCY. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families (ACF), Office of Head Start (OHS).

3. SUBMITTAL STATUS. This is a submission of application for Early Head Start Child Care Partnership grant funding for FY 2015.

4. PROPOSED TERM. Funding must be requested annually. The standard one year budget period is from January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015. The budget summary is below.

5. CURRENT FUNDING. Funding for Early Head Start is provided by federal dollars. Contra Costa County, as Grantee, is required to generate a 20% non-federal match of the total project budget, which may be in cash or in-kind contributions, fairly valued.

6. FUTURE FUNDING. An application for continuation grant funding must be submitted each year.

7. BUDGET SUMMARY

Budget Categories:	FY 2015 EHS Program Operation
Personnel	\$ 263,261
Fringe Benefits	\$ 207,713
T & TA	\$ 25,907
Travel	\$ - 0 -
Supplies	\$ 14,400
Contractual	\$ 436,800
Other	\$ 59,600
Sub-Total of Direct Charges	\$1,007,681
Indirect Costs	\$ 54,495
Total Federal Amount Being Requested	\$1,062,176
Non-Federal Share	\$ 265,544
Total Federal and Non-Federal	\$1,327,720

8. STAFFING REQUIREMENTS. As Grantee, Contra Costa County operates the Head Start Program, which is administered and staffed by the Employment & Human Services Department, Community Services Bureau.

9. PROGRAM NEED. The Community Services Bureau serves the needs of low-income children (3-5 years of age under Head Start, and prenatal - 3 yrs under Early Head Start) and their families, by providing quality childcare, child development, and other services such as medical, mental health and dental needs.

10. RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS. The Community Services Bureau's Head Start program combines Federal Head Start and State Child Development funding into one cohesive program. The Bureau also has strong collaborations with other departments within the County and partners with community based organizations, local private businesses, schools, non-profits, and volunteer organizations.

11. PROJECT GOALS. (Same goals and objectives for both Head Start and Early Head Start)

Goal 1: Poor health and nutrition are significantly correlated to children and families living in poverty. CSB will address the need to improve indicators of nutritional health through increased education, and physical activity.

Goal 2: Disabilities and mental health needs continue to trend upwards. CSB will expand mental health and disabilities assessment, treatment and case management linkage opportunities for children and families.

Goal 3: Exposure to violence has a lasting impact on children's development including their emotional, mental and physical health. CSB seeks to provide positive and enduring change that increases child attachment by providing services to promote the safety and well-being of children and families.

Goal 4: CSB will provide ongoing learning opportunities to enhance employees' career development and assist in meeting new job requirements.

12. STATED OBJECTIVES.

- By July 2015, CSB will engage in an obesity prevention and early intervention program which will focus on physical activity and healthy eating habits.
- By July 2015, CSB will implement a family education component to its curriculum that focuses on the importance of being physically active and eating nutritious meals and snacks.
- By July 2015, CSB will collaborate with community partners to provide classroom-based support in understanding and supporting the social-emotional development of children.
- By December 2014, CSB will implement the use of Otoacoustic Emissions (OAE) screenings for all infants/toddlers and preschool-age children who are non-responsive to audiometric screenings.
- By July 2016, CSB will implement an autism screening in an effort to link children and families to the appropriate interventions.
- By December 2014, CSB will implement an in-reach program at the Contra Costa

County Detention Facilities in partnership with Contra Costa County Probation and the County Office of Education.

- By July 2016, CSB will enhance its violence prevention and safety program for children, families, and staff.
- By December 2014, CSB will begin the Family Development Credential training program to Comprehensive Services staff.
- Through September 30, 2018, CSB will continue to support teaching staff in pursuit of their degrees through leveraging of resources and ongoing partnerships with community colleges.

13. ACTIVITY SUMMARY. Program continues to provide high-quality services.

14. EVALUATION METHOD(S). Measurable, results-based child and family outcomes have been implemented, such as the required State of California's Desired Results Developmental Profile, for programs providing services through collaboration with the State of California Department of Education.

15. CHANGES COMPARED TO PRIOR YEAR (if any). Goals and Objectives cover FY 2013 – FY 2018. Policy Council has been involved in the development, review and evaluation process of the goals and objectives.

16. POTENTIAL CONTROVERSIAL ISSUES. None. Public perception of the Head Start and Early Head Start programs remain positive. The Policy Council executive committee will approve submission of this grant at their August 12, 2014 meeting and the full Policy Council body will ratify the approval at their September 17, 2014 meeting.