



# Contra Costa County

To: Board of Supervisors  
From: David Twa, County Administrator  
Date: January 6, 2015

Subject: Correct Terms of Office of four members of the Family and Children's Trust Committee (FACT)

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## **RECOMMENDATION(S):**

APPROVE correction of the terms of office of the four members of the Family and Children's Trust Committee (FACT) appointed by Board action of September 23, 2014 (Item C.19) to end on September 30, 2016.

## **FISCAL IMPACT:**

None

## **BACKGROUND:**

The Family and Children's Trust Committee (FACT), was established in 1982 by the Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors to make funding recommendations on the allocation of a variety of funds for prevention and intervention services to reduce child abuse and neglect, provide supportive services to families and children, and promote a more coordinated, seamless system of services for families. Funding for FACT supported projects derived from federal and state program legislation, and donations to the County's Family and Children's Trust Fund.

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

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Action of Board On: **01/06/2015** ☒ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

## **VOTE OF SUPERVISORS**

AYE: John Gioia, District I Supervisor  
Candace Andersen, District II Supervisor  
Mary N. Piepho, District III Supervisor  
Karen Mitchoff, District IV Supervisor  
Federal D. Glover, District V Supervisor

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.

ATTESTED: January 6, 2015

David Twa, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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Every two years, the members of the FACT establish a series of county priorities for the use of these funds through review of existing data and reports and by holding Public Hearings in

## BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

various areas of the county. The Committee then develops a competitive bidding process to select non-profit, community-based agencies that can best provide the services determined to be most important. Program recommendations are made to the Board of Supervisors which makes the final funding decisions. The Committee continues to evaluate these funded programs to ensure continued provision of quality service and achievement of stated goals. Programs currently being supported include countywide parenting classes, therapeutic day care for emotionally disturbed children, treatment for families, young children and teens with both substance abuse and child abuse issues, services for homeless families, and projects to support children whose mothers have been victims of domestic violence and sexual assault.

The FACT has up to fifteen members who are appointed by the Board and include citizens with expertise in children's issues, education, law, non-profit agency management, public health, and program research/evaluation. In addition, the Director of the Child Abuse Prevention Council sits as ex-officio member of the Committee and participates in all matters except actually voting on funding recommendations. Terms for all Commission seats are two years.

At Large seat vacancies on the FACT have been assigned for Family & Human Services Committee (F&HS) review since 2003. In 2011 the Board of Supervisors, by resolution, expanded the FACT seats assigned for review by F&HS to include all non-Supervisory District seats. As a result of the policy change and rotation in staffing assignments for the FACT, nominations to fill expiring seats were not scheduled for timely F&HS review. If seats are not filled this month, the FACT will be unable to achieve a quorum and convene in October.

The appointments of four FACT committee members (Belinda Lucey, Seat 2 – Schools/Education; Ruth Fernandez, Seat 3 – Child Development; Karin Kauzer, At Large 1; Simone Gikanga, At Large 5) were inadvertently made for three year terms (ending September 30, 2017) instead of two year terms (ending September 30, 2016) as required by FACT Bylaws. This action will correct that error made by Board Order on September 23, 2014, Item No. C.19, and change these committee members' terms to end on September 30, 2016.

## CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

Board Action of September 23, 2014 (Item C. 19), will remain in effect and the term dates will be incorrect.

## CHILDREN'S IMPACT STATEMENT:

None