



**Contra
Costa
County**

To: Board of Supervisors

From: Kathy Gallagher, Employment & Human Services Director

Date: September 12, 2017

Subject: Head Start Program Improvement Grant

RECOMMENDATION(S):

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the Employment and Human Services Department director, or designee, to submit an application to and accept funding from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Head Start, in an amount not to exceed \$175,600 for a supplemental, one-time grant to provide quality enhancement improvements at Head Start program centers.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The County will receive a one-time federal grant in an amount not to exceed \$175,600. As Grantee, the County is required to generate a 20% non-federal match, however the Department will seek a waiver of the match requirement. The match is usually achieved through collaboration with State Child Development programs and the volunteer hours accrued by Head Start parents and community partners. With this grant, there will be no community or parent involvement. Historically, the Department has been successful in receiving match waivers for similar grant programs.

Federal Amount (80%): \$175,600

Match Amount (20%, seeking waiver): \$43,900

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **09/12/2017** ☒ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

VOTE OF SUPERVISORS

AYE: John Gioia, District I Supervisor

Candace Andersen, District II Supervisor

Diane Burgis, 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: September 12, 2017

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

By: June McHuen, Deputy

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cc: Nasim Eghlima, Haydee Ilan, Christina Reich

Total (100%): \$175,600

CFDA #93.600

BACKGROUND:

Contra Costa County submits an application annually to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Head Start, as the Head Start grantee. This board order presents an opportunity for the County to apply for a supplemental, one-time grant to support health and safety quality improvements at County Head Start and Early Head Start programs. The funding term will be for a one year project period, but the specific term has yet to be determined.

If the grant is received, the funds are proposed to be use on the following projects:

- Surveillance and door release systems at six various centers (Richmond, Concord, Pittsburg);
- Repair fall cushion area at Crescent Park Children's Center (Richmond);
- Install wooden kick board along cyclone fencing at Los Nogales Children's Center (Pittsburg);
- Resurface main playground at Balboa Children's Center (Richmond); and
- Install new pour and play surface at Riverview Children's Center (Bay Point)

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

If not approved, the County will be unable to apply for a grant to cover the cost of implementing facility and safety improvements.

CHILDREN'S IMPACT STATEMENT:

The Community Services Bureau of the Employment & Human Services Department's Head Start program supports three of Contra Costa County's community outcomes - Outcome 1: "Children Ready for and Succeeding in School," Outcome 3: "Families that are Economically Self-sufficient," and, Outcome 4: "Families that are Safe, Stable, and Nurturing." These outcomes are achieved by offering comprehensive services, including high quality early childhood education, nutrition, and health services to low-income children throughout Contra Costa County.

ATTACHMENTS

Budget narrative