



**Contra
Costa
County**

To: Board of Supervisors

From: Kathy Gallagher, Employment & Human Services Director

Date: September 22, 2020

Subject: 2021 Early Head Start Continuation Grant

RECOMMENDATION(S):

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the Employment and Human Services Department Director, or designee, to accept grant funding from the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Head Start, in an amount not to exceed \$3,877,134 for Early Head Start Program services for the period of January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021 and AUTHORIZE the Chair Board of Supervisors to sign the grant application.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Funding for the period January 1 through June 30, 2021 is included in the Department's FY 2020-21 budget. Funding for the period July 1 through December 31, 2021 will be included in the Department's proposed FY 2021-22 budget. The County, as Grantee, is required to generate a non-federal match of 20% of the total project budget. For 2021, the match requirement is \$969,284 which will be achieved through collaboration with State Child Development programs and the volunteer hours acquired by Early Head Start parents and community partners. CFDA #93.600. (100% Federal)

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **09/22/2020** ☒ 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 22, 2020

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

By: Laura Cassell, Deputy

Contact: Elaine Burres
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cc:

BACKGROUND:

Early Head Start is a federal program that serves low-income pregnant women and families with infants and toddlers from birth to age three. It is designed to support and nurture healthy attachments between the child and the child's family. Early Head Start programs provide quality child care, child development, and other services such as medical, mental health and dental. Head Start/Early Head Start also provides comprehensive services which include health, nutrition, social and other services determined as necessary via family needs assessments. Services are designed to be responsive to each child and family's ethnic, cultural, and linguistic heritage. Services are provided through a variety of service models including: centers or schools that children attend part or full day, family childcare homes and/or the children's own homes wherein a Head Start staff visit once per week to provide in-home services. Children who receive home-based services gather periodically with other enrolled families for group learning experiences facilitated by Head Start staff. Contra Costa County submits an application annually to U.S. Health and Human Services Department, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Head Start, as the Head Start grantee. The annual application includes newly identified goals and objectives for the program. This is year 3 of a 5 year grant cycle. This application was reviewed and approved by the Head Start Policy Council on 08/19/2020. Approval of this board order request will allow the continued provision of Early Head Start services to program eligible children and families.

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

If not approved, County will not receive funding to operate early Head State childcare centers.

CHILDREN'S IMPACT STATEMENT:

The Community Services Bureau of the Employment & Human Services Department's Early 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 pregnant women and families throughout Contra Costa County.

ATTACHMENTS

EHS Funding Letter

EHS Budget Narrative