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Contra Costa County

To: Board of Supervisors

From: Marla Stuart, Employment and Human Services Director

Date: January 10, 2023

Subject: Approval to submit a funding application to the State for General Childcare and Development Expansion

RECOMMENDATION(S):

RATIFY the Employment and Human Services Department General Child Care and Development Expansion Funding Application through the California Department of Social Services and APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the Employment and Human Services Director to accept the funds in the amount of \$1,712,195 for the period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Funding is by the California Department of Social Services. No County match. (100% State)

BACKGROUND:

The California Department of Social Services (CDSS) Child Care and Development Division (CCDD) announced on November 21, 2022 the availability of General Child Care and Development (CCTR) program funds to provide direct services for eligible children as defined in California Welfare and Institutions Code (W&IC) Section 10213.5(i). Priority for providing direct services will be given to those applicants with infants and toddlers in underserved areas as identified by the Local Planning Council (LPC). The CDSS will

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Action of Board On: 01/10/2023	✓ 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	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 10, 2023		
Ken Carlson, District IV Supervisor Federal D. Glover, District V Supervisor	Monica Nino, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors		
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allocate funding by County, based on a statewide comparison of need and resources. Need is established by data and will be determined by families at or below 85 percent of the state median income by County.

The intent of submitting the Expansion Funding Application is to expand full-day/full-year CCTR services to eligible toddlers. Based on the needs of the community, Contra Costa County Employment & Human Services is applying for a total of 48 slots in the amount of \$1,712,195 at the following centers:

BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

Center	Slots	Zip Code	LPC Priority for Infant/Toddler
Lavonia Allen	16	94565	1
Los Nogales	16	94513	2 (1for preschool)
Fairgrounds	8	94509	
Kid's Castle	8	94565	1
Total	48		

Applying for this CCTR contract expansion aligns with the Community Services Bureau 2023 Head Start Program goal of adapting to the shift in community need for infant and toddler services and in light of the California implementation of Transitional Kindergarten. The Board approved the year-five Head Start and Early Head Start continuation grant application on September 20, 2022 (C.40). The continuation grant application proposed a slot conversion to include a reduction of 202 Head Start slots and increase of 50 new Early Head Start slots will result in the following program modifications:

- A reduction in class size of Head Start classrooms in an effort best meet the need of younger children as we enroll more three year olds; and
- The conversion of select classrooms from part-day, part-year to full-day, full-year to best meet community need; and
- An increase of 50 new Early Head Start slots to respond to community needs by increasing the availability of infant/toddler services.

Approval of submission of the expansion application in the amount of \$1,712,195 will allow Contra Costa County Employment and Human Services Department to apply for and accept funds to expand services to toddlers for FY 2023-2024.

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

If not approved, eligible Contra Costa toddler children will not receive General Child Care and Development Services. CHILDREN'S IMPACT STATEMENT:

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