

Legislation Text

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Approve a revenue contract with First 5 California for up to \$200,000 for the period of October 1, 2020 through June 30, 2022 for First 5 California Home Visiting Coordination (HVC) funding; and Authorize the First 5 Solano Executive Director to execute the revenue agreement and any future amendments that remain within budgeted appropriations

Published Notice Required?	Yes	No <u>X</u>
Public Hearing Required?	Yes	No <u>X</u>

DEPARTMENTAL RECOMMENDATION:

First 5 Solano recommends that the Board of Supervisors approve a revenue contract with First 5 California for up to \$200,000 for the period of October 1, 2020 through June 30, 2022 for First 5 Home Visiting Coordination (HVC) funding and authorize the First 5 Solano Executive Director to execute the revenue agreement and any future amendments that remain within budgeted appropriations.

SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

In October 2019, the First 5 California State Commission approved up to \$24 million in funding for five years through FY2024/25 to help counties create a sustainable, unified system that supports families through home visiting services. The funding is meant to promote: 1) increased cross-agency understanding of local population needs and readiness to collaborate on local home visiting services, 2) coordinated and sustainable local home visiting that serves more families more effectively, 3) interconnected local early childhood systems with home visiting embedded as a vital component leading to strong family outcomes, and 4) networks of cross-county collaboration that promote shared learning and capacity-building, resource sharing, and expertise to strengthen local systems change efforts.

First 5 California released a Request for Applications in May 2020 for counties to apply for Stage 1 of Home Visiting Coordination funding through June 30, 2022. As First 5 Solano and Health & Social Services, Public Health Division share common interests to ensure families have the knowledge, skills, and resources to support children's optimal development, both entities partnered on completing the grant application with First 5 Solano applying as the lead agency. First 5 Solano received the full funding requested.

This item brings forward a recommendation to approve the revenue agreement with First 5 California to receive the funding. Upon the Board's approval of this agreement, a Memorandum of Understanding shall be executed with Health and Social Services, Public Health to manage the process for improving the home visiting system throughout Solano County and a contract with Applied Survey Research shall be executed to conduct the needs assessment and draft the action plan. Some activities expected to be completed with this funding include the implementation of a countywide home visiting Action Plan, identifying new partners to participate in the Home Visiting Community Advisory Board, and development of a joint policy demonstrating alignment of home visiting programs across the county.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The funding from First 5 California was anticipated prior to its approval, and funding for both the revenue and expenditure was included in the FY2020/21 Adopted Budget. First 5 Solano and Public Health will provide in-

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kind services via already funded positions and programs to fulfill the match requirement. There is no impact the County General Fund. The cost associated with preparing this Board item is nominal and absorbed by the Department's FY2020/21 Adopted Budget.

ALTERNATIVES:

The Board could not approve the revenue agreement with First 5 California. This is not recommended as the funding will assist in improving home visiting services in Solano County.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

The revenue contract has been approved by County Counsel and grant funded services will be coordinated with Health & Social Services, Public Health who partnered with First 5 on completing the grant application.

CAO RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE DEPARTMENTAL RECOMMENDATION