



Agenda 03-10
March 3, 2010

Agenda Item 2

Subject	Prop 10 Outreach and Information
Recommendations	Receive information on Prop 10 outreach efforts (Affected Districts: All) (Presenter: John Pi, Supervisor, 387-1526)
Background Information	<p>Less than eight months ago, California voters overwhelmingly rejected Prop 1D which aimed to divert and/or cut First 5 funds from critical local children's health and education programs to backfill gaps in the state budget. Despite that defeat, the Governor has proposed going back to the ballot this June and asking voters the very same thing.</p> <p>The Governor's proposed budget includes a one-time sweep of \$308 million from state and county First 5 funds, regardless of the current commitments for those funds, and another \$242 million every year for five years. That is a take-away of \$1.5 billion -- \$1.2 billion of which will come directly from local children's programs. For San Bernardino County, that means a loss of about \$50 million in revenue that will reduce health and education programs for more than 100,000 infants, toddlers and preschoolers. Also an estimated 380 jobs are supported by FIRST 5 San Bernardino funds, such as: public health nurses, preschool teachers, mental health clinicians and the community based organizations that provide these services.</p> <p>First 5 is a primary source of funding for child abuse prevention programs, home visiting for at-risk newborns, and specialized prenatal care for women at risk of poor birth outcomes. Our funding supports preschool, school readiness activities, family literacy, and enhanced child care programs.</p> <p>Supervisor Ovitt and Supervisor Gonzales on behalf of San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors submitted a letter to Senator Denise Ducheny, Chair of Senate Budget and Fiscal Review Committee on February 4, 2010 opposing legislation or budget actions that eliminates or compromises local control over Proposition 10 funds. Supervisor Gonzales has also invited Commissioners from the Southern California Region to come together and work in partnership across counties. We want to thank and applaud the Board of Supervisors, Supervisor Ovitt, and Supervisor Gonzales for your continued support and commitment to the children and families of San Bernardino County.</p>
Financial Impact	None
Review	Regina Coleman, Commission Counsel

Report on Action as taken
Action:
Moved: _____ Second: _____
In Favor:
Opposed:
Abstained:
Comments: _____
Witnessed: