



**AGENDA ITEM 9  
SEPTEMBER 5, 2012**

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<b>Subject</b>	Countywide data collection/ sharing needs assessment project
<b>Recommendations</b>	Receive information from Harder+Co related to "Data Sharing Countywide Initiative" (Affected Districts: All) (Presenter: Scott McGrath, Supervisor, 387-1524)
<b>Background Information</b>	<p>First 5 San Bernardino's recent work with the Commission and the Advisory Committee has highlighted the need for better collaborative systems of data collection and sharing among organizations serving children 0 to 5 and their families in San Bernardino and the need for region specific data.</p> <p>With the guidance of our external evaluation consultant, Harder and Company Community Research, First 5 San Bernardino plans to launch a comprehensive needs assessment focused on county-level data systems in order to create a set of recommendations on how First 5 San Bernardino can play a lead role in supporting the collection and coordination of reliable, meaningful and actionable data related to the well-being of children 0 to 5 county-wide.</p> <p>This work would result in a report that clearly identifies existing sources and systems that could be leveraged to develop better data for understanding the needs and outcomes of children 0 to 5 in the county. Some activities anticipated being a part of the needs assessment include interviews with representatives of county and community-based organizations, a comprehensive inventory of currently available data sources, and a summary and analysis of efforts of other First 5 Commissions statewide to address this need and lessons learned in the process.</p> <p>It is the hope of First 5 San Bernardino that this report will inform continued work in improving data collection across stakeholders countywide and result in a comprehensive compendium of reliable data at the neighborhood, city, and regional levels of San Bernardino County.</p>
<b>Financial Impact</b>	None
<b>Review</b>	Regina Coleman, Commission Counsel

<b>Report on Action as taken</b>
<b>Action:</b>
<b>Moved:</b> _____ <b>Second:</b> _____
<b>In Favor:</b>
<b>Opposed:</b>
<b>Abstained:</b>
<b>Comments:</b> _____
<b>Witnessed:</b>