



**AGENDA ITEM 10**  
**OCTOBER 24, 2012**

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<b>Subject</b>	CARES Plus Contract Amendment
<b>Recommendations</b>	<p>Approve Amendment A1 to Contract Number SI004 with the San Bernardino County Child Care Planning Council (CCPC) under the umbrella of San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools to rollover unexpended funds from year two into year three in the amount of \$279,815 for FY 2012-2013 for the CARES Plus program. (Affected Districts: All) (Presenter: Mary Alvarez, Staff Analyst II, 909-387-1508)</p>
<b>Background Information</b>	<p>On December 1, 2010 the Children and Families Commission approved to provide the local county match for the First 5 California CARES Plus Request for Proposal (RFP). The Commission also approved that San Bernardino County Child Care Planning Council (CCPC) which, under the umbrella of San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools, would serve as the lead agency for the San Bernardino County CARES Plus program.</p> <p>CARES Plus is a statewide professional development program for early educators working with children ages 0 to 5. The program is designed to retain the childcare workforce, including teachers and caregivers working in licensed and licensed-exempt settings. Retention efforts include providing professional development incentives for existing and future education, specialized trainings on researched based resources for improved children’s outcomes and quality improvement.</p> <p>The program was selected for funding under the First 5 California RFP and the Commission approved the 3-1 local cash match Contract (SI004) to support the CARES Plus project for year 2 and 3 for FY 2011-12 and FY12-13 on June 15, 2011.</p> <p>In FY11-12, 273 participants were served and high interest in participation generated a waitlist for participation in FY12-13. Due to a delay at the state level in year one for project planning, further delay was caused in implementation in FY11-12 (year 2), resulting in \$279,815 in unexpended funds.</p> <p>First 5 California offers opportunity for program and budget modifications in instances where funds were not fully expended within any fiscal year of the contract period. Based on that opportunity, the high interest in participation and a balance in unexpended funds from FY11-12, the contract is brought forth to request Commission approval to “rollover” the unexpended funds from FY11-12 (year 2) into FY12-13 (year 3). Pending Commission approval, these funds would enable 100-150 additional participants to complete the program.</p>
<b>Financial Impact</b>	\$1,799,852 for fiscal years 2012-13. This allocation is included in the long range financial plan/budget under Systems Integration focus area.
<b>Review</b>	Regina Coleman, Commission Counsel

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<b>Report on Action as taken</b>
<b>Action:</b>
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