

# COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

## Family and Social Services

FESIA A. DAVENPORT  
Acting Chief Executive Officer



**DATE:** Wednesday, October 21, 2020  
**TIME:** 1:30 PM

**DUE TO THE CLOSURE OF ALL COUNTY BUILDINGS, MEETING PARTICIPANTS AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WILL NEED TO CALL IN TO PARTICIPATE:**

**Teleconference Call-In Number: (323) 776-6996/ Conference ID: 599 009 090#**

### AGENDA

Members of the Public may address agenda item. Three (3) minutes are allowed for each item.

- I. Call to Order
- II. **Presentation/Discussion Items:**
  - a. **Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS)/Department of Mental Health/Probation Department:** Continuum of Care Reform Quarterly Update.
- III. Informational Items:
  - a. **Department of Public Social Services:** Recommendation to Accept Grant Funds and Enter into a Contract for the Community Services Block Grant Program.
  - b. **DCFS:** Notice of Intent to Negotiate a New Sole Source Amendment to the Tutoring and Education Support Services Contract.
- IV. Items continued from a previous meeting of the Board of Supervisors or from a previous FSS Agenda Review meeting.
- V. Public Comment
- VI. Adjournment



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November 10, 2020

The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
500 West Temple Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**RECOMMENDATION TO ACCEPT GRANT FUNDS AND ENTER INTO A  
CONTRACT FOR THE COMMUNITY SERVICES BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM  
(ALL DISTRICTS - 3 VOTES)**

**SUBJECT**

Authorize the Director of the County of Los Angeles (County) Department of Public Social Services (DPSS), or her designee, to accept the Program Year (PY) 2021 Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) funding and enter into a State Standard Agreement with the California Department of Community Services and Development (CSD).

**IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:**

1. Authorize the Director of DPSS or her designee to accept the PY 2021 CSBG funding from CSD, which is estimated to be \$6,291,644 and any additional CSBG funding allocations.
2. Delegate authority to the Director of DPSS or her designee to execute all State Standard Agreements for PY 2021 CSBG funding.
3. Delegate authority to the Director of DPSS or her designee to execute any CSD required term extensions, modifications, and/or amendments to all State Standard Agreements referenced in recommendation number two (2) above, and to accept additions or reductions of the anticipated CSBG grant award. Amendments will be executed only after approval by County Counsel.

## **PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

The CSBG Program is administered by DPSS, which serves as the local Community Action Agency for the County. Each calendar year, the County receives CSBG grant funding from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services through CSD based on the latest census data on poverty populations. In order to obtain CSBG funds, DPSS must execute Standard Agreements with CSD.

The CSBG Program is designed to provide services to assist low-income individuals to attain the skills, knowledge, and encouragement necessary to achieve self-sufficiency. The program provides low-income individuals with a variety of services under the following six core service categories: employment services, child and family development services, emergency services, domestic violence services, legal services, and seniors and/or disabled adult services.

The recommended actions will ensure the full utilization of available 2021 CSBG Program funding by the County.

## **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

The recommended actions are consistent with the principles of the Countywide Strategic Plan, Goal II, Foster Vibrant and Resilient Communities: Our investments in the lives of County residents are sustainable only when grounded in strong communities. We want to be the hub of a network of public-private partnering entities supporting vibrant communities.

## **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

Services provided under the CSBG Program are fully funded by the federal government and are authorized annually on a PY basis (January through December) through CSD. CSD has instructed the Community Action Agency that the 2021 CSBG allocation is estimated to be the same as the PY 2020 CSBG allocation of \$6,291,644, including additional CSBG Discretionary funding allocations. The federal government is expected to finalize the PY 2021 CSBG allocation by June 2021. There is no impact on net County cost.

## **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

The agreement will be between the Los Angeles County DPSS and CSD for PY 2021, commencing January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021, for the provision of CSBG services to low-income individuals. The agreement will be approved by County Counsel.

All contractors, current and prospective, are, and will be, in compliance with all Board, CEO, and County Counsel requirements.

The 2021 CSBG Standard Agreement will not result in the unauthorized disclosure of confidential information and will be in full compliance with federal, State, and County regulations and requirements.

### **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES**

Approval of the recommended actions will enable DPSS to continue providing CSBG services to low-income residents in all Supervisorial Districts of Los Angeles County, through its CSBG network of qualified community-based agencies. Approval of these recommendations will avoid any interruption of services.

The cities of Los Angeles, Long Beach, Pasadena, South Pasadena, Duarte, Monrovia, Sierra Madre, Arcadia, and portions of Altadena receive CSBG funds directly. Residents in these areas will not be served under the County's CSBG Program, but rather by their own Community Action Agencies.

### **CONCLUSION**

Upon Board approval, the Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors, is requested to return one (1) adopted stamped Board Letter to the Director of DPSS.

Respectfully submitted,

Antonia Jiménez  
Director

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c: Chief Executive Office  
Executive Office, Board of Supervisors  
County Counsel



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October 8, 2020

To: Supervisor Kathryn Barger, Chair  
Supervisor Hilda L. Solis  
Supervisor Mark Ridley-Thomas  
Supervisor Sheila Kuehl  
Supervisor Janice Hahn

From:  for  
Bobby D. Cagle  
Director

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO NEGOTIATE SOLE SOURCE AMENDMENT TO THE  
TUTORING AND EDUCATION SUPPORT SERVICES CONTRACT**

This is to notify the Board that the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) and the Probation Department (Probation) intend to negotiate a new sole source contract amendment to the current Tutoring and Education Support Services contract to extend the contract for three years past their anticipated term.

In accordance with Board of Supervisors Policy 5.100, County departments must provide advance written notice and justification to the Board for amendments to extend existing contracts when the departments do not have delegated authority to execute such amendments.

**BACKGROUND**

The Tutoring and Education Support Services contract provides tutoring and education support services, countywide, for in-home and placed out-of-home DCFS school age and Probation youth.

**JUSTIFICATION**

The current Tutoring and Education Support Services contract will expire on November 30, 2020. It is DCFS' and Probation's intent to execute a new sole source contract amendment for a period of one year plus two one-year options, effective December 1, 2020 through November 30, 2023. The Maximum Contract Sum for the contract is \$3,900,000. The estimated Annual Contract Sum is \$1,300,000, of which

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DCFS will contribute \$975,000 and Probation will contribute \$325,000. Probation will only commit to the first year of funding at \$325,000. The option years will be re-evaluated at the time of renewal and Probation can opt-out if funding is not available. A Board letter will be forthcoming.

The Los Angeles County Office of Education (LACOE) is the contractor, and it is the governmental entity best qualified to continue to provide these services. LACOE is agreeable to continuing to act in this capacity and the amendment continues the services for one year with two one-year options for renewal. This will allow DCFS, Probation and LACOE to plan accordingly in allocating necessary resources.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact me or your staff may contact Aldo Marin, Board Liaison, at (213) 351-5530.

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Attachment

c: Chief Executive Officer  
County Counsel  
Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors