



Board of Supervisors

Family & Social Services

Cluster Agenda Review Meeting

DATE: January 14, 2026

TIME: 1:30 PM

MEETING CHAIRS: Anthony Cespedes, 1st Supervisorial District

CEO MEETING FACILITATOR: Claudia Alarcon

THIS MEETING IS HELD UNDER THE GUIDELINES OF BOARD POLICY 3.055.

To participate in the meeting in-person, the meeting location is:

Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration

500 West Temple Street

Los Angeles, California 90012

Room 140

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Members of the Public may address the Family & Social Services Cluster on any agenda item during General Public Comment.

The meeting chair will determine the amount of time allowed for each item.

THIS TELECONFERENCE WILL BE MUTED FOR ALL CALLERS. PLEASE DIAL *6 TO UNMUTE YOUR PHONE WHEN IT IS YOUR TIME TO SPEAK.

- I. **Call to Order**
- II. **Consent Item(s)** (Any Information Item is subject to discussion and/or presentation at the request of two or more Board offices):
-- No items --
- III. **Presentation/Discussion Items:**
 - a) **Department of Children and Family Services:** Request for Approval to Reallocate Funds and Increase the Maximum Annual Contract Amount for Three Partnerships for Families' Contracts Above 50 Percent.
- IV. **Public Comment**
- V. Standing item(s) and those continued from a previous meeting of the Board of Supervisors or from a previous FSS Agenda Review meeting.
-- No items --
- VI. **Adjournment**

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO EMAIL A COMMENT ON AN ITEM ON THE FAMILY & SOCIAL SERVICES CLUSTER AGENDA, PLEASE USE THE FOLLOWING EMAIL ADDRESS AND INCLUDE THE AGENDA NUMBER YOU ARE COMMENTING ON:

Family_Social_Services@ceo.lacounty.gov

**BOARD LETTER/MEMO
CLUSTER FACT SHEET**

Board Letter

Board Memo

Other

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| CLUSTER AGENDA REVIEW DATE | 1/14/2026 | | | | | |
| BOARD MEETING DATE | 2/10/2026 | | | | | |
| SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT AFFECTED | <input type="checkbox"/> All <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1 st <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2 nd <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3 rd <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4 th <input type="checkbox"/> 5 th | | | | | |
| DEPARTMENT(S) | Child and Family Services | | | | | |
| SUBJECT | Request for Approval to Reallocate Funds and Increase the Maximum Annual Contract Amount for Three Partnerships for Families' Contracts Above 50 Percent | | | | | |
| PROGRAM | Partnerships for Families | | | | | |
| AUTHORIZES DELEGATED AUTHORITY TO DEPT | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | | | | | |
| SOLE SOURCE CONTRACT | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No If Yes, please explain why: | | | | | |
| SB 1439 SUPPLEMENTAL DECLARATION FORM REVIEW COMPLETED BY EXEC OFFICE | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No – Not Applicable If unsure whether a matter is subject to the Levine Act, email your packet to EOLevineAct@bos.lacounty.gov to avoid delays in scheduling your Board Letter. | | | | | |
| DEADLINES/ TIME CONSTRAINTS | Effective date of reallocation is March 1, 2026. | | | | | |
| COST & FUNDING | Total cost: \$2,008,015.23 | | | Funding source: 2011 State Realignment. | | |
| | TERMS (if applicable): N/A | | | | | |
| | Explanation: 100 percent State Realignment. | | | | | |
| PURPOSE OF REQUEST | To reallocate funds above 50 percent of the maximum annual contract amount for three Partnerships for Families (PFF) contractors. | | | | | |
| BACKGROUND (include internal/external issues that may exist including any related motions) | On September 8, 2025, DCFS received a letter from Children's Institute, Inc. requesting to sunset their PFF contracts in SPA 6 and SPA 8, effective December 19, 2025. As a result, DCFS offered the PFF contractors providing services in adjoining SPAs the opportunity to provide the PFF services in SPA 6 and SPA 8. Para Los Ninos (SPA 4), The Help Group (SPA 5), and Human Services Association (SPA 7), agreed to provide services in SPA 6 and SPA 8. | | | | | |
| EQUITY INDEX OR LENS WAS UTILIZED | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Link to ARDI's Equity Lens: https://ceo.lacounty.gov/ardi/ If Yes, please explain how: | | | | | |

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| FAMILY FIRST PREVENTION SERVICES ACT (FFPSA) LENS WAS UTILIZED | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No If Yes, please explain how: |
| SUPPORTS ONE OF THE NINE BOARD PRIORITIES | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Link to BOS Priorities: https://ceo.lacounty.gov/category/priorites-initiative/ If Yes, please state which one(s) and explain how: Child Protection Focus Area - Prevention Provide children and families with the upfront supports and services they need to prevent them from entering the child welfare system, and/or limit their involvement with the system once they are known to it. |
| DEPARTMENTAL CONTACTS | Name, Title, Phone # & Email: Aldo Marin, DCFS Board Liaison 213-351-5602 marina@dcfs.lacounty.gov |



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February 10, 2026

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

Dear Supervisors:

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL TO REALLOCATE FUNDS AND INCREASE THE MAXIMUM ANNUAL CONTRACT AMOUNT FOR THREE PARTNERSHIPS FOR FAMILIES' CONTRACTS ABOVE 50 PERCENT (ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)

SUBJECT

The Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) requests the Board's approval to reallocate funds above 50 percent of the maximum annual contract amount for three Partnerships for Families (PFF) contractors.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

1. Delegate authority to the Director of DCFS, or designee, to execute amendments to PFF contracts with Para Los Ninos, The Help Group, and Human Services Association, substantially similar to Attachment A, to reallocate funds from an agency providing services in Service Planning Area (SPA) 6 and SPA 8, who did not renew its contracts after December 19, 2025, forgoing the remaining two option years. The total funding to be reallocated is \$2,008,015.23 per year, effective March 1, 2026, and in the subsequent contract term. Funding is included in the DCFS FY adopted budget 2025-2026 and will be included in the subsequent budget requests. Please see Attachment B for detailed funding information.
2. Delegate authority to the DCFS Director, or designee, to negotiate and execute additional amendments to PFF contracts where the contractor is able to perform services previously performed under expired or terminated contracts by increasing the maximum annual contract amount not to exceed 50 percent. Such increase is to be reallocated among the

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remaining contracts providing services for current and future extension periods, provided that: (a) funding is available; (b) County Counsel approval is obtained prior to executing the amendments; and (c) DCFS notifies the Board and the Chief Executive Officer (CEO), in writing, within 10 business days of executing the amendments.

3. Delegate authority to the DCFS Director, or designee, to negotiate and execute amendments to the PFF contracts for necessary changes to meet program needs, or for any mergers, acquisitions, or changes in ownership; for any revisions required by changes in local, State and Federal regulations; or for necessary changes to meet the needs of the County's PFF program provided that: (a) County Counsel approval is obtained prior to execution of such amendments; and (b) DCFS notifies the Board and the CEO, in writing, within 10 business days after execution.
4. Delegate authority to the DCFS Director, or his designee, to terminate contracts for convenience provided that: (a) County Counsel approval is obtained prior to termination; and (b) DCFS notifies the Board and the CEO, in writing, within 10 business days after execution.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The initial term of the PFF contracts started January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023, with four optional one-year periods from January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2027.

On September 8, 2025, DCFS received a letter from Children's Institute, Inc. requesting to sunset their PFF contracts in SPA 6 and SPA 8, effective December 19, 2025. As a result, DCFS offered the PFF contractors providing services in adjoining SPAs the opportunity to provide the PFF services in SPA 6 and SPA 8. Para Los Ninos (SPA 4), The Help Group (SPA 5), and Human Services Association (SPA 7), agreed to provide services in SPA 6 and SPA 8.

IMPLEMENTATION OF STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS

The recommended actions are consistent with the principles of the County Strategic Plan North Star #1, Make Investments That Transform Lives – By investing in solutions that address our most complex societal challenges (health, jobs, housing, food insecurity, and recidivism) affecting our most vulnerable communities – one person at a time.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The total funding to be redistributed is \$2,008,015.23, per year. This funding is financed using 100 percent State Realignment. Please refer to Attachment B for detailed funding information.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The PFF services are short-term home visitation services designed to support and strengthen parent-child relationships with a focus on children zero to five (0-5) years old, to support and strengthen the protective factors of families, and to prevent new or subsequent involvement with child protective services. The PFF contract includes eight SPA-based contracts and two Countywide contracts serving American Indian and Asian Pacific Islander families.

On December 20, 2022, the Board granted delegated authority to the DCFS Director to execute amendments to contractors willing to perform work left from an agency that chooses to sunset or terminate their contract by increasing the maximum annual contract amount not to exceed 50 percent. This request to reallocate funds and increase the maximum annual contract amount for the contractors is above 50 percent of the base allocation for Calendar Year 2026, thus requiring Board approval.

Attachment A, Amendment, has been approved as to form by County Counsel.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

The recommended actions will allow children and families to continue receiving PFF services in SPA 6 and SPA 8.

CONCLUSION

Upon approval by the Board of Supervisors, it is requested that the Executive Officer/Clerk of the Board send an adopted stamped copy of the Board letter and attachments to DCFS.

Respectfully submitted,



BRANDON T. NICHOLS
Director

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LTI:AO:CK:as

Attachments

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



AMENDMENT NUMBER XXX

PARTNERSHIPS FOR FAMILIES

CONTRACT NUMBER _____

WITH

SERVICE PLANNING AREA

(SPA)

**AMENDMENT NUMBER XXX
PARTNERSHIPS FOR FAMILIES
CONTRACT NUMBER _____**

This Amendment Number _____ ("Amendment") to the Partnerships for Families (PFF) Contract ("Contract") is made and entered into by and between the County of Los Angeles ("COUNTY") and _____ ("CONTRACTOR"), in Los Angeles, California, this _____ day of _____, 202X.

WHEREAS, COUNTY and CONTRACTOR are parties to the Contract adopted by the Board on December 20, 2022, and February 10, 2026, and CONTRACTOR has been providing Partnerships for Families Services to the COUNTY Department of Children and Family Services, Service Planning Area ____;

WHEREAS, this Amendment is prepared pursuant to the provisions set forth in SECTION 8.0, **STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS**, sub-section 8.1 Amendments;

WHEREAS, this Amendment revises, deletes, and adds language to the contract, to comply with County policies in various sections under **STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS**;

WHEREAS, this Amendment reallocates funding from a contractor in SPA 6 that terminated their PFF contract effective December 19, 2025. The funding reallocation allows for the continuation of PFF services to the children and families in SPA 6 by the provision of additional units of service by this Contractor effective January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2026;

WHEREAS, this Amendment reallocates funding from a contractor in SPA 8 that terminated their PFF contract effective December 19, 2025. The funding reallocation allows for the continuation of PFF services to the children and families in SPA 8 by the provision of additional units of service by this Contractor effective January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2026;

NOW, THEREFORE, COUNTY and CONTRACTOR mutually agree to amend the contract as follows:

1. Section 5.0, Contract Sum, Subsection 5.1, is amended to add Subsection 5.1.3 to read as follows:

5.1.3 The maximum amount payable under this Contract for each of the Contract years shall not exceed:

For Year 2023: \$ XXX,XXX.XX

For Year 2024: \$ XXX,XXX.XX

For Year 2025: \$ XXX,XXX.XX

For Year 2026: \$ XXX,XXX.XX

AMENDMENT NUMBER _____
PARTNERSHIPS FOR FAMILIES
CONTRACT NUMBER _____

2. **Exhibit C, Line-Item Budget and Narrative**, for the period of January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2026, are attached to this amendment and incorporated as part of the Contract Exhibits.

EXCEPT AS AMENDED HEREIN, ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THIS CONTRACT SHALL REMAIN IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT.

**AMENDMENT NUMBER _____
PARTNERSHIPS FOR FAMILIES
CONTRACT NUMBER _____**

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Board of Supervisors of the COUNTY of Los Angeles has caused this Amendment Number _____ to be subscribed on its behalf by the Director of the Department of Children and Family Services and the CONTRACTOR has caused this Amendment Number _____ to be subscribed on its behalf by its duly authorized officer(s) as of the day, month and year first above written. The person(s) signing on behalf of the CONTRACTOR warrants under penalty of perjury that he or she is authorized to bind the CONTRACTOR in this Contract.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

**BRANDON T. NICHOLS, DIRECTOR
Department of Children and Family Services**

CONTRACTOR

By:

Name:

Title:

Tax Identification Number

**BY THE OFFICE OF COUNTY COUNSEL
DAWYN R. HARRISON, COUNTY COUNSEL**

BY _____
David Beaudet, Senior Deputy County Counsel

Attachment B**Partnerships For Families Funding Reallocation for SPA 6 and SPA 8**

| SPA | NAME OF AGENCY | Contract Number | Current Contract Total Allocation effective 01/01/2026 | SPA 6 Contract Reallocation Increase effective 03/01/2026 | SPA 8 Contract Reallocation Increase effective 03/01/2026 | SPA 6 & SPA 8 Reallocation Increase Total effective 03/01/2026 |
|---------------|----------------------------|-----------------|---|--|--|---|
| 4 | Para Los Ninos | 23-01-04 | \$ 1,053,833.01 | \$ 535,779.86 | \$ 0.00 | \$ 535,779.86 |
| 5 | The Help Group | 23-01-05 | \$ 718,898.83 | \$ 367,673.22 | \$ 793,832.05 | \$ 1,161,505.27 |
| 7 | Human Services Association | 23-01-07 | \$ 1,945,303.64 | \$ 143,685.16 | \$ 167,044.92 | \$ 310,730.08 |
| TOTAL: | | | \$ 2,478,690.33 | \$ 1,047,138.24 | \$ 960,876.97 | \$ 2,008,015.23 |