



Interoffice Memorandum

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AGENDA ITEM

February 4, 2015

TO: Mayor Teresa Jacobs  
and  
Orange County Board of County Commissioners

FROM: Lonnie C. Bell, Jr., Director *Lonnie C. Bell*  
Family Services Department

SUBJECT: Consent Agenda Item – February 24, 2015  
Designation of funding to Community Coordinated Care for  
Children (4C) - Early Head Start Program (EHS)

Community Coordinated Care for Children (4C) has been preliminarily awarded \$3.9 million dollars from the Office of Head Start (OHS) to operate the Early Head Start-Child Care Partnership program (EHS-CC). Funding for this initiative originated in the Office of the President of the United States, through the Appropriations Act of 2014 and calls for an expansion of high quality early learning opportunities for infants and toddlers living in poverty. OHS has begun to award five year EHS-CC grants to entities that have demonstrated their current capacity to be a high quality Early Head Start program partnering with licensed child care centers and family child care homes.

4C will also partner with the Early Learning Coalition of Orange County (ELCOC) utilizing federal child care subsidy dollars (also known as school readiness funds) to provide full day, full year care for eligible children. Extensive services will be provided in the 32805 area of Orlando (Parramore/Holden Heights) which is a designated federal Promise Zone. Approximately 210 children will be enrolled from the ELCOC's child care wait list, currently standing at 2,115 infants and toddlers (wait list number excludes other age groups waiting to receive care).

4C is required to raise 20% of the federally awarded amount of \$3.9 million in cash and in-kind match. This amount is almost one million dollars. It is requested that a portion of this requirement come from the Orange County Family Services budget in the amount of \$30,000 in cash and \$10,000 in in-kind services. Cash and in-kind services will be utilized in Orange County and in accordance with program rules and regulations.

**Action Requested:** Approval to provide Community Coordinated Care for Children (4C) with \$30,000 in cash and \$10,000 in in-kind services as part of the 20% match requirement for their \$3.9 M grant award to operate the Early Head Start Child Care Partnership Program (EHS-CC).

C: George A. Ralls, M.D., Deputy County Administrator  
Yolanda Brown, Fiscal Manager, Fiscal Division