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Preschool Services Department Administration

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PY 2024-2025 Head Start Grant Award (09CH011719-05)

Submitted to the Policy Council and Shared Governance Board

Preschool Services Department (PSD) would like to propose the submission of 1303 applications for the following Head Start sites to be able to complete the PY24-25 funded major renovation projects and facility purchases. Approval of these projects will enable PSD meeting Head Start Performance Standards and requirements of facility acquisitions / major renovations. The project details are as follows:

Arrowhead Grove

The Fontana Unified School District, a contracted partner, is closing its early education program, resulting in 16 EHS children losing placement this year.

The Housing Authority of the County of San Bernardino informed PSD that approximately 1.200 square feet of interior space became available for lease at the current Arrowhead Grove site campus at 1151 N. Crestview Avenue, San Bernardino. PSD proposes to modify the existing lease to expand the campus and renovate the additional facility located at 1163 and 1169 N. Crestview Avenue, adding two EHS classrooms with supporting spaces and a playground to accommodate the displaced children from the Fontana USD site.

The current estimated one-time cost of playground and parking improvements as well as classroom renovations is about \$ \$1,292,000 with an OHS approved funding in PY 24-25.

Rancho Cucamonga

The current PSD Administration building does not meet departmental needs as administrative staff have been relocated to other locations due to a shortage of both office and of parking spaces. In addition, PSD needs a training center for teachers, parents and volunteers along with a Child Development Center for the community.

PSD has identified a suitable building located at 8163 Rochester Avenue, Rancho Cucamonga which will accommodate the administrative staff, a Child Development and Training Center as well as potential future programs.

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Upon completion of the acquisition, PSD proposes to renovate the new building by adding a Child Development Center, playground and remodeling the office space.

The acquisition, addition of a Child Development Center, playground and office renovations are budgeted to cost \$17,276,070 within an OHS approved one-time funding in PY24-25.

Victorville Anacapa

Preschool Services Department (PSD) has leased the current site at 15309 and 15321 Anacapa Road, Victorville since 1999 and the landlord has decided to sell this facility. Negotiations to purchase this property are currently in process with the County Real Estate Department.

Upon completion of the acquisition, PSD proposes a minor renovation of the classrooms and improvements to the existing playground to include fencing, bike path, play equipment and surface material upgrades.

Playground improvements and classroom renovations are budgeted to cost \$2,725,768 with an OHS approved one-time funding in PY24-25.

Whitney Young

PSD currently leases 1,512 square feet of interior space plus 18,100 square feet of land at the Whitney Young Center site. The existing interior space is used as office space for current staff and a kitchen area for warming meals for the children. Additionally, PSD constructed two modular buildings with a total of four HS classrooms and a playground on the leased land area.

Recently, 4,530 square feet of interior space became available for lease at this site. PSD proposes to modify the existing lease to expand into this area and renovate the facility to add two EHS classrooms with supporting spaces as well as add an EHS playground and perimeter security fencing to this site to meet the underserved needs of this service area.

Site improvements and facility renovations are budgeted to cost \$3,937,000 with an OHS approved one-time funding in PY 24-25.

<u>Yucaipa</u>

Preschool Services Department (PSD) currently leases interior space plus land for two playgrounds at 12236 California Street, Yucaipa. The current site has foundation issues which would require the site to close for repair and displace 80 children. There are also barriers to access which are not feasible for the landlord to remove.

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Recently, PSD is work with the County Real Estate Department on the preschool relocation. Once the lease contract is signed, PSD will renovate the classrooms, add a Family Learning Center and staff office areas as well as playground and parking improvements.

Classrooms and playground construction are budgeted to cost \$4,237,728 with an OHS approved one-time funding in PY 2024-25.

Approval of 1303 submissions for the above facility projects will enable PSD to serve more children and be able to improve the Head Start program quality by providing more staff/parent training, safe environment for all enrolled children and staff. This request is presented to the Policy Council and the Shared Governance Board at their respective meetings on March 17th and March 20th of 2025 for their approval.

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