



COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

August 1, 2018

San Joaquin County Public Health Services

1601 E. Hazelton Avenue

Stockton, CA

1. Commencement of Meeting - Roll Call

Chair Evans opened the meeting at 8:04 a.m. Roll was called.

Commissioners Present: de Polo, Dei Rossi, Evans, Messer, Miller, Park, Toliver

Commissioners Excused: Ruhstaller, Villapudua

2. Announcement of Recusals

Chair Evans called for announcement of recusals. Commissioners Dei Rossi & de Polo had questions guarding recusals. Kim Johnson (Counsel), provided clarification to the Commissioners on why they are required to be recused from agenda items that are for open discussion and not for a specific agency to be funded. Counsel explained how Proposition 10 and the Conflict of Interest laws dictate the categories that are considered conflicts. Counsel indicated that Agenda Item #5, not only was going to be a discussion, it was also asking the Commission to vote on options that would direct funding to specific agencies, and that would cause a conflict of interest based on the legislation stated in Prop 10 and Conflict of Interest laws. Commissioners publicly announced the following recusals:

de Polo

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Evans

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3. **Executive Director's Report**

Lani Schiff-Ross, Executive Director (ED), introduced Lisa Vela, the new Senior Vice President of Operations, at El Concilio. ED highlighted updates to the communication plan, and visits to the First 5 preschool graduations at Sequoia and Lincoln, Summer Bridge Program at Tracy Unified and Oral Health Awareness Society (OHAS) oral health screening at Gleason Head Start, one of the IMPACT sites. ED informed the Commission that Runyon Saltzman, Inc. (RSE) and First 5 San Joaquin (F5SJ) will soon be presenting the WeedFreeBaby.com campaign on a call sponsored by California Department of Public Health. Over the next few months, the priority for F5SJ will be applying for the funding for San Joaquin Treatment & Education on Teeth & Health (SJ TEETH) expansion and California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) Home Visitation Initiative (HVI) program. Lani also highlighted the National Quality Rating and Improvement System Conference she attended recently, with issues of racial equity and messaging being key themes at the conference.

4. **Presentation – Harder + Company - Help Me Grow and 2-1-1 Evaluation Newsletter**

Monica Braughton, Research Associate, presented the Help Me Grow (HMG) San Joaquin program updates for 2017-2018. Five agencies received funding from a variety of sources. HMG provides outreach to families and providers, with a centralized access point with 2-1-1 Call Center, in order to connect with providers that offer screening, assessments, treatment and other services across the county. In 2016, 90 percent of the calls into HMG Call Center were successfully connected to at least one service. Tiffany Phovixay, Program Manager for HMG/2-1-1 Call Center, provided background and success stories on the program at Family Resource & Referral Center (FRRC). Debbie Link, Project Director at United Cerebral Palsy, discussed the Great Beginnings program, the importance of Early Intervention and shared success stories from this program. She also thanked the Commission for the many years of funding. Commissioner Park shared about her work with providing developmental assessments. Lani Schiff-Ross thanked San Joaquin County Human Services Agency for the funding for this program, and also recognized Tiffany Phovixay and First 5 staff Kelly Mraz for their work on this project. They are frequently asked to present at National and State conferences because the model in the county is well respected.

5. **Discuss and Provide Direction on an Option for the Distribution of Funding from the San Joaquin County Human Services Agency for the California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids Home Visitation Initiative Program and Release a Request for Qualifications for Services Targeting the African-American Community**

ED provided overview of funding from a Request for County Plan, that will be available from the California Department of Social Services, to provide Home Visitation (HV) services to CalWORKs families. Currently, Family Resource & Referral Center (FRRC) and The Catholic Council for the Spanish Speaking of the Diocese of Stockton (El Concilio) are providing similar services through the CalWORKs Helping to Enhance Parents' Potential (CalHEPP) program. Two options were presented to Commissioners, as well as a request to release a Request for Qualifications (RFQ). The RFQ was not to exceed 25 percent of the funding total and will target the African-American community. Option 1 keeps funding with the currently funded CalHEPP agencies, FRRC and El Concilio. Option 2 spreads the funding across other F5SJ funded HV programs (dependent upon their agency's interest).

Chair Evans asked for Public Comments.

Edith Robles, Program Manager at El Concilio, discussed how this funding could expand their currently funded CalHEPP program and allow for more families to be reached.

Chair Evans asked for motion to **Discuss and Provide Direction on an Option for the Distribution of Funding from the San Joaquin County Human Services Agency for the California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids Home Visitation Initiative Program and Release a Request for Qualifications for Services Targeting the African-American Community.**

Motion was made by Commissioner Messer to change the request to be: **Option 1 with the provisions that the RFQ does not have a 25 percent cap of funding, and should more funding become available, the Commission would revisit the options of how to distribute the additional CalWORKs HV funding.** Motion was made and seconded. **(Messer/Evans) 3/2**

Commissioner Toliver requested clarification on the motion and asked to have another vote based on his understanding: **Option 1 with the provisions that the RFQ does not have a 25 percent cap of funding, and should more funding become available, the Commission would revisit the options of how to distribute the additional CalWORKs HV funding.**

Chair Evans asked for motion on the revised Option 1. Motion made and seconded. **(Messer/Evans) 4/1.** Motion carries with recusals noted.

Option #1: Keep funding with the currently funded CalHEPP agencies and only propose To use allocated funds between the two agencies

Option #2: Provide an opportunity for other agencies, in addition to FRRC and El Concilio, to receive CHVI allocations by making funds available to all currently funded F5SJ home visitation agencies

regardless of the direction of the Commission regarding Option 1 or Option 2. The amount of the RFQ will be, but not exceed, 25 percent of the total amount of funding received from the RFCP and will outline specific, culturally appropriate services to encourage African American families to enroll and participate in CalWORKs home visitation services.

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6. **Motion on Consent Calendar**

Chair Evans asked for public comments and none noted. Chair Evans called for **Motion on Consent Calendar. (Toliver/Messer) 7/0** – Motion carries with recusals noted.

- 6.1 Approve Commission Minutes May 24, 2018
- 6.2 Approve Breastfeeding Initiative Mini-Grants
- 6.3 Approve \$5,000 for the Community Health Needs Assessment to Dignity Health

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7. **Commission Communications**

ED reviewed the RSE Communications Plan Fact Sheet and the Stockton Scholars Scholarship Program, as well as the upcoming workshops being held in the next few months.

8. **Public Comments**

Chair Evans asked for public comments.

Ann Johnston, Executive Director of Read to Me Stockton!, informed the Commission that the Imagination Library now reaches all zip codes in Stockton.

Tamesha Valverde, Breastfeeding Coalition of San Joaquin County, thanked the Commission for continuing to support breastfeeding in San Joaquin County.

9. **Commission Comments**

Chair Evans asked if there were any Commission comments.

Commissioner Messer discussed that he has left the Manteca Unified School District, but will continue to be on the Commission as a community member as he becomes a small business owner.

Commission Toliver had questions on quorums, and Counsel provided clarification on the regulations behind a quorum and the voting requirements.

10. **Adjournment to 8:00 a.m., October 25, 2018, San Joaquin County Public Health Services, 1601 E. Hazelton Avenue, Stockton, CA**

Commission Vision:

All San Joaquin County children will thrive in supportive, nurturing and loving environments, enter school healthy and ready to learn and become productive, well-adjusted members of society.

Consent Calendar:

Items calendared for consent will be approved in one motion unless a member of the Children and Families Commission, staff or interested person requests that the item be removed from the consent calendar and treated as a regular agenda item.

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