



**INDIAN RIVER COUNTY, FLORIDA**  
**AGENDA ITEM**  
**Community Services Department / Human Services Division**

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**Date:** January 17, 2025  
**To:** The Honorable Board of County Commissioners  
**Thru:** John A. Titkanich, Jr., County Administrator  
Michael C. Zito, Deputy County Administrator  
Cindy Emerson, Community Services Director  
**From:** Megan Kendrick, Human Services Manager  
**Subject:** Children Services Advisory Committee - Annual Report, FY 2023-2024

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**BACKGROUND:**

The Children's Services Advisory Committee (CSAC) met on December 10, 2024, and approved the Annual Report for FY 2023-2024. The report provides an overview of the committee's work and the impact of CSAC-funded programs during the fiscal year. It includes the following:

- Names of CSAC members, including those serving on the Grant Review and Needs Assessment Subcommittees.
- A summary of CSAC's history, mission, and goals.
- Highlights of the funds awarded and expended for children's services in Indian River County.
- Detailed agency year-end reports that include:
  - Grant funds awarded and utilized.
  - The number of children and families served.
  - Program outcomes aligned with the goals outlined in grant applications.

**DESCRIPTION AND CONDITIONS:**

The FY 2023-2024 Annual Report underscores the critical role of CSAC in identifying and addressing the needs of children and families in Indian River County. This year, CSAC-funded programs achieved notable outcomes:

- **98.3% Utilization of Allocated Funds:** Agencies demonstrated fiscal accountability, ensuring efficient use of the \$2.5 million allocated.
- **Over 20,000 Touchpoints:** Programs provided vital services to children and families, including health, education, and behavioral support.
- **Significant Program Impact:**
  - 88% of programs met or exceeded their performance outcomes.
  - Highlights include improved kindergarten readiness, enhanced parenting skills, and reduced risky behaviors among youth.

These accomplishments reflect CSAC's dedication to fostering a collaborative, data-driven approach to improving the well-being of children and families in the county.

A copy of the full report is available for review in the County Commission office.

**FUNDING:**

There is no funding required for this item.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommend the Board accept the Children Services Advisory Committee's Annual Report for FY 2023-2024, as submitted.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

Children's Services Advisory Committee's FY 2023-2024 Annual Report

**APPROVED AGENDA ITEM FOR JANUARY 28, 2025**