



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

Date: January 23, 2024
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: Amie Rutherford, Human Services Manager
Subject: 2024-2027 Children's Services Advisory Committee's Needs Assessment

BACKGROUND:

Children's Services Advisory Committee (CSAC) met on January 9, 2024 and accepted the Needs Assessment Subcommittee's Recommendation to change the funding priorities for children's services based on the outcomes of the 2024-2027 Needs Assessment. The 2024-2027 Needs Assessment encompasses the following information:

- Names of members of CSAC Needs Assessment Subcommittee
- An explanation of the role of the subcommittee and how their work supports the service of children in Indian River County
- An overview of Indian River County and its demographics
- A summary of the funding priorities as they were identified through the assessment and the framework through which community impact can be monitored
- The data used to identify needs and drive the necessity for the priorities

The CSAC Needs Assessment Subcommittee met on the following dates listed below and worked through the steps needed to complete the 2024-2027 CSAC Needs Assessment

- August 22, 2023: Collect Data (1.5 HOURS)
- September 11, 2023: Data Deep Dive (2 HOURS)
- November 8, 2023: Analyze Ordinance, Outcomes, & Priorities (6 HOURS)
- November 28, 2023: Identify NEW Priorities (4 HOURS)
- December 18, 2023: Organize & Define the Priority Framework (2 HOURS)
- January 5, 2024: Finalize Recommendation of Funding Priorities (1 HOUR)

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FUNDING:

There is no funding associated with this item, as it is just approval of the Needs Assessment Report.

Each year, the Board of County Commissioners approves a funding allocation for Children's Services which can be up to the maximum millage cap of 0.2500 mills. Currently, the Children's Services funding has not been established for fiscal year 2024-2025.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the Board accept the Children's Services Advisory Committee's 2024-2027 Needs Assessment, as submitted.

ATTACHMENTS:

2024-2027 Children's Services Advisory Committee's Needs Assessment (available for viewing in the BCC office or at www.indianriver.gov)

APPROVED AGENDA ITEM FOR JANUARY 23, 2024