



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

Date: April 19, 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: Megan Kendrick, Human Services Manager
Subject: Children’s Services Contingency Funding for Fiscal Year 2023-2024

BACKGROUND:

On June 20, 2023, the Board of County Commissioners approved the Children Service’s program funding allocations for fiscal year 2023-2024. The approved funding included an additional allocation to two specific children’s programs should contingency funds become available due to default, noncompliance, or early termination of an awarded contract.

DESCRIPTION AND CONDITIONS:

For the fiscal year 2023-2024, the Substance Awareness Center was awarded \$50,000 for the Adolescent Substance Use Outpatient Treatment program. However, the agency has faced challenges in utilizing these funds due to difficulties in hiring qualified staff to deliver the program. Consequently, on April 2, 2024, the agency formally notified the Children’s Services Advisory Committee (CSAC) of their decision to terminate the program contract, resulting in the de-obligation of the grant funding.

On April 2, 2024, the CSAC approved reallocating the de-obligated funding as designated in the approved program funding allocations for fiscal year 2023-2024. The programs are prioritized based on the approved funding allocation as follows:

Agency/Program	Funding Request	Funding Awarded	Contingency Amount
1. Helping Hands South County - Summer Program	\$20,000	\$0	\$20,000
2. Childcare Resources - Children in Centers	\$300,000	\$250,000	\$30,000

FUNDING:

Contingency funding in the amount of \$50,000 is available in the FY23/24 Children’s Services budget through Account #00112869-088153.

Account Name	Account Number	Amount
Substance Awareness Center – Adolescent Substance Use Outpatient Treatment	00112869-088153	\$50,000

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the Board approve the CSAC's recommendation to award contingency funding for the children's programs and authorize the County Administrator to execute the agreements after review and approval by the County Attorney as to form and legal sufficiency.

ATTACHMENTS:

Amendment to Grant Contract – Childcare Resources
Grant Contract – Helping Hands South County
CSAC Approved Program Funding FY 24
Consent Staff Report to approve funding
Notice from Substance Awareness Center

APPROVED AGENDA ITEM FOR May 7, 2024