

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



FROM: Supervisor Tavaglione

SUBMITTAL DATE:
February 15, 2005

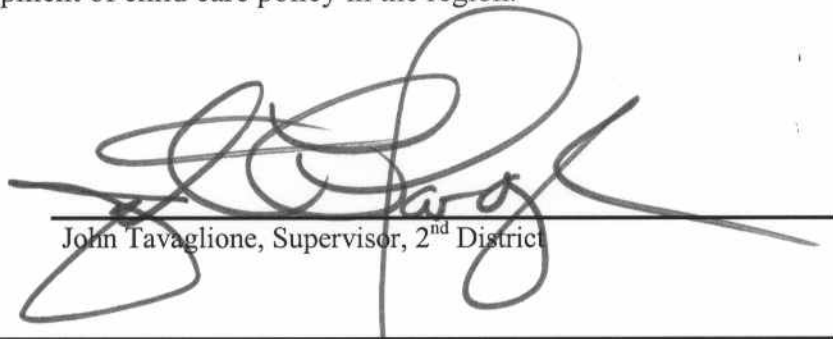
SUBJECT: Allocation of funds from County's Youth Protection Trust Fund to Riverside County Children's and Family Commission (First 5 Riverside)

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board authorize a distribution of \$9,000 from the Youth Protection Trust Fund to the Riverside County Children and Families Commission as Riverside County's contribution to the Economic Impact Report of the AbCd Task Force.

BACKGROUND: On September 14, 2004, this Board endorsed and supported the Riverside County Children and Families Commission in the AbCd Task Force activities. (Item 3.76 on September 14, 2004 agenda)

The AbCd Task Force has been convened and is presently working on the development of an Economic Impact Report for Riverside County. These reports, when used in other counties, have proven to be an excellent resource for information regarding the business and fiscal benefits of the child care industry, thereby playing an integral role in the development of child care policy in the region.

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SOURCE OF FUNDS: Youth Protection Trust Fund

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The AbCd Task Force has conducted a competitive bidding process for a consultant to develop an Economic Impact Report for Riverside County regarding childcare in the county. The National Economic Development and Law Center (NEDLC) have been selected as the contractor for this project.

The total cost of the contract with NEDLC is \$45,000. To date, funding commitments for the project have been secured from the following sources:

Riverside County Children and Families Commission	\$27,000 anticipated grant match
Riverside County Office of Education	\$ 4,000 committed
Riverside County Child Care Consortium	\$ 5,000 committed

****It is anticipated that The Riverside County Children and Families Commission (Riverside First 5) will formally approve their contribution of \$27,000 at their February meeting. Riverside First 5 has applied for and is in the final process of receiving grant approval from the State First 5 Commission. Which requires matching funds from the Riverside County Children and Families Commission for the activities associated with child care facilities development. Part of the matching funds of the Riverside County Children and Families Commission will cover the funding for the economic impact report.

In order to address the remaining \$9,000.00 funding shortfall, I would ask the Board to join me in supporting the project from funds available in the Youth Protection Trust Fund.

Riverside County has a critical shortage of childcare providers; therefore, it is essential that we begin the process of formulating a more readily available system of childcare.