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Chairman Lynn and Members of the Board  
First Things First  
4000 N. Central Avenue, Suite 800  
Phoenix, Arizona 85012

Dear Chairman Lynn and Members of the Board:

On behalf of the South Pima Regional Partnership Council, I am writing to request a modification to the South Pima Fiscal Year 2012 Regional Funding Plan previously submitted for your approval. The specific change for your consideration is outlined below.

Government Agreements:

The South Pima Regional Partnership Council requests approval to implement the Pre-Kindergarten Scholarship program in the community of Amado. This program will provide mentoring services as well as full day preschool education for approximately 18 children ages 3-5. As part of the multi-region contract within First Things First, the Sahuarita Unified School District will enter into an agreement with the Arizona Department of Education to carry out this program. The South Pima Regional Partnership Council approved an allotment of \$108,000 for this agreement.

The South Pima Regional Partnership Council respectfully requests your consideration of approval for this modification. The Pre-Kindergarten Scholarship partnership between the Sahuarita Unified School District and the Arizona Department of Education will address the Regional Council's goal of increasing access to high quality early education throughout the entire region.

Sincerely,

Fran Driver  
South Pima Regional Council Chair