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AGENDA ITEM: Regional Partnership Councils recommended Government Agreements and Procurement Awards.

BACKGROUND: The attached table provides information on the strategies being implemented by government agreements and procurement awards. The table includes recommendations for 2011 funding plans for the Central Pima, North Pima, South Pima, Pinal, Northeast Maricopa, Southeast Maricopa, Southwest Maricopa, Central Maricopa, Northwest Maricopa, Cocopah, Central Phoenix, North Phoenix, and La Paz/Mohave, for a total of $2,148,360.

RECOMMENDATION: FTF staff recommends approval of these agreements by the Board.

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Regional Partnership Council
Recommended Government Agreements,
Procurement Awards and Amendments to Statewide Grant Agreements

August 31, 2010

Government Agreements: $ 1,734,360		
Regional Partnership Councils with Strategies to Increase Quality, Access or Affordability of Early Care and Education		
South Pima Regional Partnership Council	Expand the number early care and education centers/homes in the community of Ajo by providing a planning grant to: gauge the need and demand for child care; assess the feasibility of success including community support and additional funding for building modification/expansion/ construction.	Government to government agreement with Pima County - Community Development and Neighborhood Conservation, including a sub-contract with Pro Neighborhoods to carry out the work. Amount: $70,000 Expansion: Increase slots in regulated classrooms/homes and capital One planning grant, targeting the Community of Ajo Agreement Period: September 1, 2010 – June 30, 2011

Regional Partnership Councils with Family Support Strategies		
Pinal Regional Partnership Council	Provide community based literacy programs using a research-based curriculum and materials developed by Parents as Teachers through mobile outreach services. The curriculum includes two primary components: 1) Child Development (Encouraging Literacy) and 2) Supporting Children's Play (Playing To Learn). The curriculum addresses language, intellectual, social-emotional, and motor development. Through understanding of healthy development and by encouraging appropriate and intentional activities and opportunities, the program provides parents with the opportunity to support the development of strong literacy skills in their children. The communities to be served are: Superior, Casa Grande, Florence, Coolidge, Maricopa, Oracle, San Manuel, Eloy, Arizona City, Kearny, Mammoth, San Tan Valley area, Ak-Chin Indian Community and Apache Junction.	Government to Government agreement with Apache Junction Library – City of Apache Junction Amount: $300,000 Community Based Literacy Service Number: 2,500 families/children within the age of 0-5 in Pinal County and Ak-Chin Tribal Community Agreement Period: August 1, 2010 – June 30, 2011
Southwest Maricopa Regional Partnership Council	Enhance the capacity of the Town of Buckeye's Community Resource Center to serve families with children birth through five in Buckeye and areas further west. The Community Resource Center will: provide access to information and support necessary to strengthen family and community life; enhance the healthy development of children through activities; provide parenting education, early language and literacy; provide food assistance to families in crisis.	Government to Government agreement with Town of Buckeye Amount: $143,810 Family Resource Centers Service Number: 1,950 families/children within the age of 0-5 Agreement Period: September 1, 2010 – June 30, 2011
Central Maricopa Regional Partnership	Expand/enhance family resource centers to provide families with access to the information and support necessary to strengthen family and community life, enhance the healthy growth and development of children through parenting education, early literacy development, social support opportunities and access to additional community resources.	Government to Government agreement with Chandler Unified School District Amount: $376,757 Family Resource Centers Service Numbers: 3118 Agreement Period: September 1, 2010 – June 30, 2011

Agreement with DES for administration of Healthy Families Arizona Accreditation • Central Phoenix • North Phoenix • South Phoenix • La Paz/Mohave • Central Pima • North Pima • South Pima • Central Maricopa • Northeast Maricopa • Southeast Maricopa	First Things First has awarded grants to 14 Healthy Families sites. As a component of the program, organizations are required to remain accredited as part of the national Healthy Families model. ADES is the administrative home responsible for maintaining the Healthy Families Arizona Accreditation and providing the core components required by the national model. First Things First will be entering into an agreement with ADES for the accreditation, training, and technical assistance provided to the Healthy Families programs funded by FTF. The 14 awarded programs have included the costs for accreditation in the renewal budget to First Things First.	Interagency Service Agreement with the Arizona Department of Economic Security Amount: $143,793 Agreement Period: July 1, 2010 – June 30, 2011
Regional Partnership Councils with Health Strategies		
Southwest and Northwest Maricopa Regional Partnership Councils	Provide oral health education, dental screenings and fluoride varnish for up to 9,000 children ages birth through five at the following sites: • Maricopa County Women, Infants, and Children's (WIC) Center at 5141 W. La Mar, Glendale, Arizona, • the County Women, Infants, and Children's (WIC) Center at 5422 W. Thunderbird Rd., Ste. #6, Glendale, Arizona • the County Women, Infants, and Children's (WIC) Center at 950 E. Van Buren, Avondale, Arizona. In addition, oral health education, dental screenings and fluoride varnish for children birth through five will be provided at up to 30 Quality First Centers. The County will sub-contract with Delta Dental Foundation of Arizona to provide oral health education, dental screenings, and fluoride varnish to a minimum of 1,000 preschool students in two Northwest Maricopa School Districts	Government to Government with Maricopa County Department of Public Health, Office of Oral Health Amount: $700,000 $500,000 from Northwest Maricopa Regional Partnership (71.43%) and $200,000 from Southwest Maricopa Regional Partnership (28.57%) Oral Health Service Number: 9,000 families/children age 0-5 Agreement Period: September 1, 2010- June 30, 2011

Procurement: $414,000		
Cocopah Tribe Regional Partnership Council	In-region Early Childhood Conference to provide outreach, enrollment assistance, and child development information to parents, caregivers and educators of young children in the region. The Cocopah Resort & Conference Center is located on the Cocopah Indian Reservation and is providing the following: Conference center space, event planning and meeting organizing, meals and snacks for participants, hotel rooms for participants and presenters at the discounted government rate, outside tent space for car seat installation demonstrations, stuffing and mailing invitations, managing RSVP and guest lists, preparing name tags, welcome bags, and special guest considerations.	Vendor Agreement with Cocopah Resort & Conference Center Funding Amount: $8,350 Community Awareness Service Number: 100 Conference Participants Agreement Period: September 1, 2010 – June 30, 2011
Cocopah Tribe Regional Partnership Council	The Regional Partnership Council's appointed Conference Advisory Committee Members will work with the FTF staff in completing the following: Solicit proposals, select, and pay the presenters and guest speakers for the conference, design and print invitations and announcement flyers, acquire Cocopah storytellers and bird singers, plan and organize the conference agenda, and coordinate volunteer participation.	Professional Service Agreement Funding Amount: $5,650 Community Awareness Service Number: 100 Conference Participants Agreement Period: September 1, 2010 – June 30, 2011
Central Phoenix Regional Partnership Council	The Regional Partnership Council approved a Food Insecurity Strategy to address the needs of children birth to age five and their families who are at risk for hunger in the Central Phoenix Region. In June 2010 the Regional Council approved the use of St. Mary's Food Bank Alliance, from the state vendor list, to provide services in FY 2011.	Procurement Agreement St. Mary's Food Bank Alliance Funding Amount: $400,000 Food Insecurity Agreement Period: September 1, 2010-June 30, 2011