FIRST THINGS FIRST

AGENDA ITEM: Amendments for First Things First Grant Awards

BACKGROUND: The First Things First Board approves grant awards and other procurement agreements throughout the year. At various times during a grant award period there is a need for a change in the agreement that requires formal notification.

RECOMMENDATION: The staff recommendation to approve the proposed amendments

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Amendments Recommended for First Things First Board Approval

Regional Partnership Council or Statewide	*Grantee*	*Background/Rationale for Amendment*	*Impact/Action of Amendment*
Inclusive of: • Coconino • Arizona Department of Economic Security	Overall the amendments necessary included multiple agencies, most of which were presented for Board consideration in August. The Coconino Regional Council presented a renewal at the August Board meeting that impacts the Arizona Department of Economic Security Agreement for Healthy Families programs. The grantee agency to be amended is: • Coconino County Public Health Services District	With the addition of the Coconino Regional Council and Board approved renewal there are now 15 total Healthy Family awards. Program implementation requires inclusion of costs necessary for the programs to remain accredited as part of the national Healthy Families model. All grantees have included the costs for accreditation in the renewal budget to First Things First. In working with the Arizona Department of Economic Security, First Things First will be entering into 1 agreement for these costs and will need to enter into an amendment with each grantee to identify those costs to be provided to DES for accreditation.	Award information is as follows: • Coconino County Public Health Services District (Coconino): Decrease $6,435 resulting in an amended award amount of $217,160. The Arizona Department of Economic Security: • Increased the original award amount of $143,793 by $6,435.
Inclusive of: • Colorado River Indian Tribes • Gila River Indian Community	The University of Arizona Evaluation, Research and Development Unit (ERDU)	This amendment reflects the desire of the Colorado River Indian Tribes Regional Council to ask the agency that has conducted the Needs & Assets base report work to do additional work specific to the Colorado River Indian Tribes regional area. This amendment reflects the desire of the Gila River Indian Community Regional Council to have this agency complete the Needs & Assets work necessary to complete important elements of the overall Needs & Assets report for the	For the Colorado River Indian Tribes Regional Council, the additional work represents a total of $14,560. Funds for this are available through the identification of administration cost savings for the Regional Council to dedicate to this important effort. For the Gila River Indian Community Regional Council the work represents a total of $5,780. Funds for this are available through the unexpended funds dedicated through the baseline report and Regional Council Funding Plan.

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		regional area to be presented to the Board.	
Inclusive of: • Coconino • Central Phoenix	The University of Arizona – University Consortia	This amendment reflects the desire of the Coconino Regional Partnership Council and the Central Phoenix Regional Partnership Council for additional work within each regional area for the child care demand and child care accessibility studies. The Child Care studies and work to be completed by the University of Arizona University Consortia was approved by the Board in May, 2010.	The amendment reflects an additional $30,000 for the Coconino Regional Council to bring total participation in the project to $80,000. The amendment reflects participation for the Central Phoenix Regional Council for a total of $120,140.
Inclusive of: • Navajo/Apache	North Country HealthCare Healthy Steps Program	This amendment reflects an increase in the Healthy Steps strategy approved at the May 2010 Board meeting.	The amendment reflects an additional $10,000 for the Healthy Steps Program for the Navajo/Apache Regional Council to bring the total funding to $66,000.
Inclusive of: • Central Pima • South Pima • North Pima • State/Quality First	United Way of Tucson & Southern Arizona	This amendment is to allow for a deliverable based payment schedule. This will allow the grantee to maintain timely payments to numerous subgrantees and partners who are actively continuing First Things First regional programs and the statewide Quality First! Initiative.	The amendment reflects a request for the grantee to establish deliverable based payment mechanism with First Things First. These deliverable payments are structured in a way that makes expenditure reporting specific to the deliverable and the approved budget on a monthly basis. . These deliverable payments are also contingent upon regular narrative and data reporting requirements of First Things First. Expenditure reporting will be monitored to ensure that deliverable payments are being made according to the approved line item budget. There is no increase of funding to the grantee.
Inclusive of: • State/REWARD$	Valley of the Sun United Way	This amendment is to allow for a deliverable based payment schedule. This will allow the grantee to maintain a large distribution of incentive payments to child care center providers, higher education institutions, and	The amendment reflects the ability of the grantee to set in place a deliverable based payment system where payment is based on deliverables that provide expenditure reporting for monthly. These deliverable payments are contingent upon regular narrative and data reporting requirements of

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		participants in the REWARD$ program.	First Things First. Expenditure reporting will be monitored to ensure that deliverable payments are being made according to the approved line item budget. There is no increase of funding to the grantee.
Inclusive of: • Central Maricopa	Tempe Community Council	This amendment reflects the desire of the Central Maricopa Regional Partnership Council to contract with this existing Family Resource Center funded in the region with the capacity to add the additional services for Health Insurance Outreach and Enrollment Assistance.	The amendment reflects an additional $81,989 for the Health Insurance Outreach and Enrollment Assistance strategy component to bring the total funding to $529,854.
Inclusive of: • Central Maricopa	Catholic Healthcare West	This amendment reflects the desire of the Central Maricopa Regional Partnership Council to expand the services of the existing Oral Health provider funded in the region. An RFGA was released in 2011 Phase 1 to offer fair competition to additional providers in the region with no providers responding to that RFGA. The existing grantee demonstrates the capacity and willingness to expand their current services to reach a larger number of children and families.	The amendment reflects an additional $200,000 for Oral Health services to bring the total funding to $390,333.
Quality First Related Grantees	Multiple – please see below	The Regional Partnership Councils participating in the Quality First program from time to time decide to modify the level of participation in the program. When participation in the Quality First program is modified this has an impact on the Quality First grantees inclusive of Assessment, Coaching & Incentives, TEACH, and Child Care Health Consultation. When there is occasion for Regional Partnership	See Below

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		Councils to alter the participation in Quality First programming an amendment becomes necessary to the grantee agencies providing services for Quality First Centers and Homes and this includes Coaching & Incentives, Assessment, TEACH, and Child Care Health Consultation.	
Quality First – Assessment	Southwest Human Development	This grantee provides the initial and on-going Assessment of Centers and Homes in the Quality First program for the entire State. .	• Southwest Human Development Decrease $45,100 amended award amount $3,079,998 (previous total award $3,125,098) to account for changes in targeted Centers/Homes and availability of Regional Funds.
Quality First – Coaching & Incentives	Valley of the Sun United Way	This grantee provides Coaching & Incentives for the Maricopa, Phoenix, Northeast, and Central East Regional Areas.	• Valley of the Sun United Way Decrease $166,550 amended award amount $8,387,076 (previous total award $8,535,626) to account for changes in targeted Centers/Homes and availability of Regional Funds.
Quality First – Coaching & Incentives	United Way of Tucson & Southern Arizona	This grantee provides Coaching & Incentive for the Southeast and West Regional Areas.	• United Way of Tucson & Southern Arizona Decrease $35,400 amended award amount $4,482,883 (previous total award $4,518,283) to account for changes in targeted Quality First Centers/Homes and availability of Regional Funds.
Quality First – T.E.A.C.H.	Association for Supportive Child Care	This grantee provides the T.E.A.C.H. program for the entire State.	• Association for Supportive Child Care Decrease $184,440 from available scholarship pool amended award amount $7,257,281 (previous total award $7,441,721)
Quality First – CCHC	Maricopa County Health Department	This grantee provides the Child Care Health Consultation services for the Phoenix and Maricopa Regional Areas.	• Maricopa County Health Department Decrease $16,666 amended award amount $2,771,667 (previous total award $2,788,333) to account for changes in targeted Quality First Centers/Homes
Quality First – CCHC	University of Arizona Cooperative	This grantee provides the Child Care Health	• University of Arizona Cooperative Extension - Pinal

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	Extension - Pinal County	Consultation services for Pinal Regional Area.	County (State & Pinal Regional Partnership Council) Decrease $3,333 amended award amount $360,000 (previous total award $363,333) to account for changes in targeted Quality First Centers/Homes
Quality First – Coaching & Incentives	United Way of Tucson & Southern Arizona	There are ongoing operational items that were part of the original agreement but in working with the grantees and First Things First evaluation, final performance measures have been formally identified to be added to the grant award. Additionally, general programmatic guidance has evolved and information to help grantees in their management role with specific requirements.	No Financial impact, this is a programmatic change related to guidance for incentives and performance measures and program guidance.
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