

Memorandum



Date: January 24, 2012

To: Honorable Chairman Joe A. Martinez
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

From: Carlos A. Gimenez 
Mayor

Subject: Supplement to Recommendation for Approval to Establish a Head Start Program Services Pool

Supplement to
Agenda Item No 8F8

On January 11, 2011, the Economic Development and Social Services (EDSS) Committee considered two items relating to Miami-Dade County's (County) Head Start Program. Commissioner Jean Monestime sponsored a resolution that was co-sponsored by Commissioner Barbara J. Jordan directing the County Mayor to require that the County pay the same average amount of funding for each Head Start/Early Head Start slot to every delegate agency that will provide Head Start/Early Head Start services for school year 2012-2013. Commissioner Rebeca Sosa sponsored agenda item 112699 authorizing the County Mayor to advertise a Request for Expressions of Interest (REI) and the subsequent Request for Applications (RFA) to establish a Head Start Program Services Pool. This second item, handwritten page 4, Background Section, indicated that the cost per slot would be finalized subsequent to discussion at the referenced EDSS Committee. Both items were moved forward to the Board of County Commissioners (Board) with a favorable recommendation.

The purpose of this supplement is to recommend that the Board amend agenda item 112699 to include the following per-slot costs that will be added to the Request for Expressions of Interest and the Request for Applications. Specifically, in agenda item 112699 Commissioner Sosa's sponsored item, it is recommended that the following paragraph on handwritten page 75, the second paragraph be deleted and replaced with the following:

"The County has established a standard per slot cost per Program year of \$6,700 for Head Start, \$13,500 for Early Head Start, and \$10,878 for Home-Based slots. Notwithstanding any proposed budget by a Delegate Agency (refer to Budget Narrative Forms), the County will not pay more than these stated standard per child amounts. If a Delegate Agency provides services at a rent-free County facilitated site, \$400 will be deducted from the standard per slot cost. Delegate Agencies will be required to provide a \$900 match per child by leveraging VPK revenue for each VPK eligible 4-year old. The County will use the budget proposed by the Delegate Agency divided by the number of children the Delegate Agency will serve, in order to determine that the proposed per slot cost is within the established standard slot cost."

Also, any other references in the Request for Expressions of Interest and the Request for Applications related to the cost per slot, including the applicable Budget Narrative Forms, will be amended in agenda item 112699 to clarify the County's intent, as stated herein.

Additionally, it is recommended that agenda item 112699 on handwritten page 9, section 7 be amended to replace the figure of \$15,662 to an amount not to exceed the maximum amount of \$44,475 (\$27,000

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for the annual rent and \$17,475 for utilities and maintenance) being paid by the County for an annual lease agreement.



Deputy Mayor