Agenda Item #: 3E-12

PALM BEACH COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Meeting Date: Se	otember 11, 2012	[X]	Consent]]	Regular
Department		[]	Ordinance]]	Public Hearing
Submitted By:	Community Servi	ces				
Submitted For:	Head Start/Early	Head S	Start & Children's	<u>s Servi</u>	ces	

I. EXECUTIVE BRIEF

Motion and Title: Staff recommends motion to approve: Delegate Agency Amendments to the FY2012 Delegate Agency Agreements, for the period October 1, 2011, through September 30, 2012, for a permanent Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) increase:

- A) Amendment No. 001 to Florence Fuller Child Development Centers, Inc. (R2011-1899) for \$4,159 for a new total amount not to exceed \$1,009,878; and
- **B)** Amendment No. 001 to Hispanic Human Resources Council, Inc. (R2011-1892) for \$6,957 for a new total amount not to exceed \$1,689,604; and
- C) Amendment No. 001 to The Young Women's Christian Association of Palm Beach County, Florida (R2011-1891) for \$2,239 for a new total amount not to exceed \$543,871.

Summary: The Delegates will utilize the COLA award to increase salary and fringe benefits as submitted in the funding application and contingent upon approval by the Region IV Office of Head Start and the grantee. County obligations under this agreement are subject to receipt of Notice of Award. No County funds are required. (Head Start) <u>Countywide (TFK)</u>

Background and Justification: The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) informed Head Start and Early Head Start grantees of the opportunity to apply for additional funding for a permanent COLA increase. The COLA application was due to the HHS by July 1, 2012. The application request went to the Board of County Commissioners for the emergency signature process on June 29, 2012.

Attachments: Three (3) Head Start Delegate Agency Agreement Amendments

Recommended By Directo Approved By: ounty Administrator

II. FISCAL IMPACT ANALYSIS

A. Five Year Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Fiscal Years	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Capital Expenditures	:		······································		
Operating Costs	13,355				
External Revenue	(13,555)				
Program Income	N.				
In-Kind Match (County)			······································		
NET FISCAL IMPACT	0				

ADDITIONAL FTE POSITIONS (Cumulative)

Is Item Included In Current Budget? Yes <u>No X</u> Budget Account No.:Fund <u>1002</u> Dept <u>147</u> Unit <u>1451/1457/1458/1464/1465</u> Object <u>Various</u> Program Code <u>Various</u> Program Period <u>Various</u>

- B. Recommended Sources of Funds/Summary of Fiscal Impact: Notice of Award submitted on September 11, 2012 Agenda. No County funds are required.
- C. Departmental Fiscal Review:

Taruna Malhotra, Director, Financial & Support Svcs.

III. REVIEW COMMENTS

A. OFMB Fiscal and/or Contract Development and Control Comments:

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B. Legal Sufficiency:

Chief Assistant County Attorney

C. Other Department Review:

Department Director

This summary is not to be used as a basis for payment.

AMENDMENT 001 TO HEAD START DELEGATE AGENCY AGREEMENT

THIS AMENDMENT 001 TO THE HEAD START DELEGATE AGENCY AGREEMENT dated December 6, 2011 (R2011-1899), made and entered into on this day of

______, by and between Palm Beach County, a Political Subdivision of the State of Florida herein referred to as the COUNTY, and Florence Fuller Child Development Centers, Inc., a corporation authorized to do business in the State of Florida, herein referred to as the DELEGATE AGENCY.

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the need exists to amend the AGREEMENT to increase the Agreement amount by \$4,159 for the period of October 1, 2011 through September 30, 2012, to reflect the Fiscal Year 2012 Department of Health and Human Services permanent Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA). County obligations under this agreement are subject to receipt of Notice of Award.

NOW, THEREFORE, the above named parties hereby mutually agree that the AGREEMENT is hereby amended as follows:

- I. So much as Article 3 reads One Million Five Thousand, Seven Hundred Nineteen Dollars (\$1,005,719) is amended to read One Million Nine Thousand, Eight Hundred Seventy-Eight Dollars (\$1,009,878) in accordance with the budget set forth herein as Exhibit B1 hereof.
- II. The existing Exhibit "B" Schedule of Payment and Budget Data is deleted in its entirety and Exhibit "B1" attached hereto is substituted in its stead.

OTHER PROVISIONS

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this 1 page Amendment to be executed by their officials thereupon duly authorized.

ATTEST:

Sharon R. Bock, Clerk & Comptroller

By: **Deputy Clerk**

WITNESS:

Signature Wera dia

Name (type or print)

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY

By:_

County Attorney

PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA BY ITS BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

By: _

Shelley Vana, Chair

DELEGATE AGENCY: FLORENCE	FULLER
CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTERS,	, INC.

By: Signature

Ellyn Okrent Name (type or print)

Chief Executive Officer Title

APPROVED AS TO TERMS AND CONDITIONS

By: _

Department Head

FOR PAYMENT AND BUDGET DATA FOR REIMBURSABLE SCHEDULE EXPENSES ONLY FOR DELEGATE AGENCY AGREEMENT WITH: FLORENCE FULLER CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTERS, INC.

BILLING RATE: 25.99563		on Maximum Enrollment Children
MONTH OF	DAYS	<u>BILLING RATE</u> PER MONTH
October 2011	21	\$85,161.68
November 2011	20	\$81,106.37
December 2011	17	\$68,940.41
January 2012	21	\$85,161.68
February 2012	21	\$85,161.68
March 2012	22	\$89,217.00
April 2012	21	\$85,161.68
May 2012	22	\$89,217.00
June 2012	21	\$85,161.68
July 2012	21	\$85,161.68
August 2012	22	\$89,217.00
September 2012	_19_	\$77,051.05
Total number of Care Days	248	\$1,005,718.93

BUDGET DATA

Payment will only be made for budgeted categories up to the maximum amount set forth below:

COST CATEGORY	<u>AUTH</u>	HORIZED AN	<u>/IOUNT</u>
To provide Head Start services for 156 children and their families for 248 days at a rate of \$25.99563 per child/per day for 3 & 4 year olds for a total of	\$1,0	005,718.93	
Permanent Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA)	\$	4,159.00	
MAXIMUM AMOUNT AUTHORIZED UNDER THIS AGREEMENT	\$1	,009,878	
day for 3 & 4 year olds for a total of Permanent Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA)	\$	4,159.00	

All payments are subject to availability to the COUNTY of funds from the various sources funding this Agreement:

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (Federal)	\$691,166
Palm Beach County (Non-Federal Match)	,	\$171,777
Palm Beach County (Non-Federal Overmatch)		\$146,935
	TOTAL	\$1,009,878

The <u>DELEGATE AGENCY</u> shall maintain records in auditable form that permit allocation of the expenses to the various funding sources.

1. In accordance with the Head Start Performance Standards Attendance guidelines (1305.8):

(A) The DELEGATE AGENCY will be paid for the full month care days and children as stated above in Exhibit B. **The COUNTY will be responsible for enrollment.** The DELEGATE AGENCY will not be penalized in the event of under enrollment. A child is considered enrolled (slot filled) up to 30 calendar days after officially terminated and the slot is not filled by another eligible child.

New Delegates/Child Care Providers/Contract_Providers will be paid for the full month care days and children as stated above in Exhibit B for the first two months of services provided to the children. Payment to the DELEGATE AGENCY will be evaluated on a monthly basis. The DELEGATE AGENCY should endeavor to reach enrollment capacity within this period.

(B) In catastrophic conditions which are beyond the control of the DELEGATE AGENCY which prevents the centers from being opened, the DELEGATE AGENCY may be paid for the full month care days and children as stated above in Exhibit B. Payment to the DELEGATE AGENCY will be evaluated on an individual basis with the potential that the termination clause (Article 5) could be invoked.

(C) In conditions when the monthly average daily attendance rate is below 85% the daily rate per child will be applied along with the following:

Pre-school children enrolled in the Head Start Program will be allowed six (6) days of paid absences. Infants and toddlers enrolled in the Early Head Start Program will be allowed seven (7) days of paid absences in any given month. Pre-school children, infants, toddlers and their families, are allowed absences above the six (6) or seven (7) day limit, but not exceeding thirty (30) consecutive days of absences, when children and families experience extenuating warrant payment above the six (6) or seven (7) day limit. Holidays will not circumstances that be counted as paid absences. These occurrences of extenuating circumstances must be documented and approved by the COUNTY. The following are categories of extenuating circumstances and some examples that will be considered for payment:

- 1 Child or other family members illness must be documented with a doctor's note (severe medical conditions with a doctor's note that identifies days absent);
- Transportation problems (car breaks down and family is unable to obtain other 2. means of transportation);
- Family emergencies/vacation (extensive travel to native country; other state/city for З, death or illness in family);
- 4. Crisis situation at home (mother on maternity leave and keeps child home or death in family locally);

Absence resulting from extenuating circumstances included on monthly payment requests must be supported by proper documentation. Proper documentation shall include but not be limited to:

- Α. Doctor's note:
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- Results of Family Services Specialist parent contact; (case notes) and/or Notarized statement from parent including dates of absence.

Documentation should not be submitted with the monthly payment requests, but maintained by the Family Services Specialist (FSS).

These instances will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis by the COUNTY.

After thirty (30) consecutive days of absences, the pre-school children, infant/toddler's slot may be terminated, and a vacancy will exist. In extenuating circumstances, the family is to be advised that the pre-school children infant/toddler will be given first priority once a slot is available for reenrollment. Reimbursement requests must include supportive documentation as listed above, and will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.

2. DELEGATE AGENCY will be paid at the daily rate set forth above for up to three (3) days 6 annual Pre-Service Training provided all staff is in attendance. It is mandatory that all Head Start and Early Head Start staff of all CONTRACT PROVIDERS and CHILD CARE PROVIDERS attend the Pre-Service Training! To verify staff attendance, the DELEGATE AGENCY will submit a written and signed memo with the names of the staff who attended training.

3. The DELEGATE AGENCY will be allowed up to three (3) Early Release Days during a contract/agreement period to be used for planning and in-service training. The DELEGATE AGENCY will inform the COUNTY which days are designated for Early Release.

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AMENDMENT 001 TO HEAD START DELEGATE AGENCY AGREEMENT

THIS AMENDMENT 001 TO THE HEAD START DELEGATE AGENCY AGREEMENT dated December 6, 2012 (R2011-1892), made and entered into on this day of

, by and between Palm Beach County, a Political Subdivision of the State of Florida herein referred to as the COUNTY, and Hispanic Human Resources Council, Inc., a corporation authorized to do business in the State of Florida, herein referred to as the DELEGATE AGENCY.

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the need exists to amend the AGREEMENT to increase the Agreement amount by \$6,957, for the period of October 1, 2011 through September 30, 2012, to reflect the Fiscal Year 2012 Department of Health and Human Services permanent Cost of Living Adjustment(COLA). County obligations under this agreement are subject to receipt of Notice of Award

NOW, THEREFORE, the above named parties hereby mutually agree that the AGREEMENT is hereby amended as follows:

- So much as Article 3 reads One Million, Six Hundred Eighty-Two Thousand, Six Hundred I. Forty- Seven Dollars (\$1,682,647) is amended to read One Million Six Hundred Eighty-Nine Thousand, Six Hundred Four Dollars (\$1,689,604) in accordance with the budget set forth herein as Exhibit B1 hereof.
- The existing Exhibit "B" Schedule of Payment and Budget Data is deleted in its entirety 11. and Exhibit "B1" attached hereto is substituted in its stead.

OTHER PROVISIONS

All provisions in the Agreement or Exhibits to the AGREEMENT in conflict with this Amendment and Exhibits or Attachments thereto are hereby changed to conform to this Amendment.

All provisions not in conflict with the Amendment are still in effect and are to be performed at the same level as specified in the AGREEMENT.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this 1 page Amendment to be executed by their officials thereupon duly authorized.

By:

ATTEST:

Sharon R. Bock, Clerk & Comptroller

By: Deputy Clerk

WITNESS:

Signature Name (type or print)

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY

By:

County Attorney

PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA BY ITS BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

DELEGATE AGENCY: HISPANIC HUMAN RESOURCES COUNCIL, INC.

Shelley Vana, Chair

By:

Signature

Jorge Avellana Name (type or print)

Executive Director Title

APPROVED AS TO TERMS AND CONDITIONS

By: _

Department Head

SCHEDULE FOR PAYMENT AND BUDGET DATA FOR REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES ONLY FOR DELEGATE AGENCY AGREEMENT WITH: HISPANIC HUMAN RESOURCES COUNCIL, INC.

BILLING RATE: 25.99566		Based on Maximum Enrollment of 261 Children	
MONTH OF	DAYS	<u>BILLING RATE</u> PER MONTH	
October 2011	21	\$142,482.21	
November 2011	20	\$135,697.35	
December 2011	20	\$135,697.35	
January 2012	20	\$135,697.35	
February 2012	21	\$142,482.21	
March 2012	22	\$149,267.08	
April 2012	19	\$128,912.48	
May 2012	21	\$142,482.21	
June 2012	21	\$142,482.21	
July 2012	21	\$142,482.21	
August 2012	22	\$149,267.08	
September 2012	20	\$135,697.35	
Total number of Care Days	248	\$1,682,647.08	

BUDGET DATA

Payment will only be made for budgeted categories up to the maximum amount set forth below:

COST CATEGORY	<u>AUT</u>	HORIZED AMOL	INT
To provide Head Start services for 261 children and their families for 248 days at a rate of \$25.99566 per child/per day for 3 & 4 year olds for a total of	\$1,6	682,647.08	
Permanent Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA)	\$	6,957.00	
MAXIMUM AMOUNT AUTHORIZED UNDER THIS AGREEMENT	\$1	,689,604	

All payments are subject to availability to the COUNTY of funds from the various sources funding this Agreement:

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (F	ederal)	\$1,156,373
Palm Beach County (Non-Federal Match)	·	\$ 287,396
Palm Beach County (Non-Federal Overmatch)		<u>\$ 245,835</u>
	TOTAL	\$1,689,604

The <u>DELEGATE AGENCY</u> shall maintain records in auditable form that permit allocation of the expenses to the various funding sources.

- 1. In accordance with the Head Start Performance Standards Attendance guidelines (1305.8):
 - (A) The DELEGATE AGENCY will be paid for the full month care days and children as stated above in Exhibit B. **The COUNTY will be responsible for enrollment.** The DELEGATE AGENCY will not be penalized in the event of under enrollment. A child is considered enrolled (slot filled) up to 30 calendar days after officially terminated and the slot is not filled by another eligible child.
 - New Delegates/Child Care Providers/Contract_Providers will be paid for the full month care days and children as stated above in Exhibit B for the first two months of services provided to the children. Payment to the DELEGATE AGENCY will be evaluated on a monthly basis. The DELEGATE AGENCY should endeavor to reach enrollment capacity within this period.

(B) In catastrophic conditions which are beyond the control of the DELEGATE AGENCY which prevents the centers from being opened, the DELEGATE AGENCY may be paid for

the full month care days and children as stated above in Exhibit B. Payment to the DELEGATE AGENCY will be evaluated on an individual basis with the potential that the termination clause (Article 5) could be invoked.

(C) In conditions when the monthly average daily attendance rate is below 85% the daily rate per child will be applied along with the following:

Pre-school children enrolled in the Head Start Program will be allowed six (6) days of paid absences. Infants and toddlers enrolled in the Early Head Start Program will be allowed seven (7) days of paid absences in any given month. Pre-school children, infants, toddlers and their families, are allowed absences above the six (6) or seven (7) day limit, but not exceeding thirty (30) consecutive days of absences, when children and families experience extenuating circumstances that warrant payment above the six (6) or seven (7) day limit. Holidays will not be counted as paid absences. These occurrences of extenuating circumstances must be documented and approved by the COUNTY. The following are categories of extenuating circumstances and some examples that will be considered for payment:

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AMENDMENT 001 TO HEAD START DELEGATE AGENCY AGREEMENT

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WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the need exists to amend the AGREEMENT to increase the Agreement amount by \$2,239, for the period of October 1, 2011 through September 30, 2012 to reflect the Fiscal Year 2012 Department of Health and Human Services permanent Cost of Living Adjustment(COLA). County obligations under this agreement are subject to receipt of Notice of Award.

NOW, THEREFORE, the above named parties hereby mutually agree that the AGREEMENT is hereby amended as follows:

- I. So much as Article 3 reads Five Hundred Forty-One Thousand, Six Hundred Thirty-Two Dollars (\$541,632) is amended to read Five Hundred Forty-Three Thousand, Eight Hundred Seventy-One Dollars (\$543,871) in accordance with the budget set forth herein as Exhibit B1 hereof.
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ATTEST: Sharon R. Bock, Clerk & Comptroller PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA BY ITS BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

By:

Deputy Clerk

Ву: ____

FLORIDA

By: ;

Shelley Vana, Chair

DELEGATE AGENCY: THE YOUNG WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION of PALM BEACH,

NI.

Signature

Suzanne Turner Name (type or print)

Executive Director Title Linal

WITNESS:

in

Name (type or print)

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY

By:

County Attorney

APPROVED AS TO TERMS

AND CONDITIONS

By: _

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Department Head

SCHEDULE FOR PAYMENT AND BUDGET DATA FOR REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES ONLY FOR DELEGATE AGENCY AGREEMENT WITH: THE YWCA.

BILLING RATE: 26.00

Based on Maximum Enrollment of 84 Children

MONTH OF	DAYS	BILLING RATE
		PER MONTH
October 2011	21	\$45,864.00
November 2011	20	\$43,680.00
December 2011	17	\$37,128.00
January 2012	20	\$43,680.00
February 2012	21	\$45,864.00
March 2012	22	\$48,048.00
April 2012	21	\$45,864.00
May 2012	22	\$48,048.00
June 2012	21	\$45,864.00
July 2012	21	\$45,864.00
August 2012	23	\$50,232.00
September 2012	19	\$41,496.00
Total number of Care Days	248	\$541,632.00

BUDGET DATA

Payment will only be made for budgeted categories up to the maximum amount set forth below:

COST CATEGORY	AUTHORIZED AMOUNT
To provide Head Start services for 84 children and their families for 248 days at a rate of \$26.00 per child/per day for 3 & 4 year olds for a total of	\$541,632
Permanent Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA)	\$ 2,239
MAXIMUM AMOUNT AUTHORIZED UNDER THIS AGREEMENT	\$543,871

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U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (Federal)	\$372,166
Palm Beach County (Non-Federal Match)		\$ 92,495
Palm Beach County (Non-Federal Overmatch)		<u>\$ 79,210</u>
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