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REPORT/RECOMMENDATION TO THE CHILDREN'S POLICY COUNCIL OF SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

September 15, 2023

FROM:

Mia Moore, Assistant Director Children and Family Services (CFS)

Kristin Hinds, Interim Network Officer Children's Network

SUBJECT:

THE STATE ANNUAL REPORT FOR CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION, INTERVENTION AND TREATMENT (CAPIT), COMMUNITY-BASED CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION (CBCAP), AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA)-CBCAP, PROMOTING SAFE AND STABLE FAMILIES (PSSF) AND THE COUNTY CHILDREN'S TRUST FUND (CCTF) FOR FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2022/23.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Children's Policy Council approves the Annual Report for CAPIT, CBCAP, ARPA-CBCAP, PSSF and the CCTF for FY 2022/23.

Affected Districts: All

Presenters:

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BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The Children's Policy Council is San Bernardino County's official Child Abuse Prevention Council (CAPC) and has the responsibility – in conjunction with the Board of Supervisors (BOS) – as the designated agency for PSSF and CAPIT administration, for overseeing the implementation and utilization of these programs.

The California Department of Social Services (CDSS) issued All County Information Notice (ACIN) NO. I-37-23 on July 28, 2023 to provide instructions to counties on the data collection of required annual expenditure information and submission process for the Fiscal Year (FY) 2022-23 Office of Child Abuse Prevention (OCAP) Annual Report.

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State and federally-required data for CBCAP, ARPA-CBCAP, CAPIT, PSSF, and CCTF funds are gathered in the OCAP Annual Report.

The required components of the report, along with data detailing the number and composition of the population served, will be submitted to the State's Office of Child Abuse Prevention (OCAP) on or before September 29, 2023, through the OCAP's Apricot software system.

CAPIT, PSSF and CCTF funds are used to underwrite the costs of a wide variety of services to prevent and treat child abuse and stabilize at-risk families in every region of San Bernardino County. Eighty percent (80%) of PSSF and CAPIT combined funds are used for individual, group and family therapy for those involved in the Child Welfare System (CWS) and those with prior or potential involvement. San Bernardino County continued to receive CBCAP funding during FY 2022/23 and continues to use the one-time, three-year supplemental CBCAP funding, obtained through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)-CBCAP of 2021. ARPA-CBCAP funding is for direct prevention services and planning activities that can be used for allowable purposes under the CBCAP program. Other services include parent education and support, anger management, sexual abuse services. Specialized and supportive services are also provided, such as basic life skills/independent living programs.

The provision of services is completed primarily through contracted non-profit community-based organizations and Children and Family Services (CFS) retains a portion of PSSF funds for Post Adoption Services. San Bernardino County's Efforts-to-Outcomes (ETO) software system and monthly reports are used to collect data for the CAPIT/CBCAP/ARPA-CBCAP/PSSF/CCTF Annual Report. The data indicates 713 children and 2,369 parents (3,082 total individuals) received services under these programs in FY 2022/23. ETO data supports previous reports indicating services are being provided with an emphasis on serving racial and ethnic monitories.

The Annual Report is also the vehicle used by the CDSS to capture updates and modifications to the OCAP portion of the integrated System Improvement Plan (SIP).

The Annual Report (reporting period of July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023) CAPIT, CBCAP, ARPA-CBCAP, PSSF, and CCTF is attached.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Failure to adhere to reporting requirements may lead to withholding of funds or affect future allocations.