

July 11, 2023

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HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute all documents necessary to amend Contract No. 36515 with Community Partners, as the fiscal agent for the Mayor's Fund for Education of Long Beach, CA, for the Early Childhood Education Enrollment Hub program, to increase the contract amount by \$300,000, for a revised contract amount not to exceed \$900,000. (Citywide)

DISCUSSION

City Council approval is requested to amend Contract No.36515 with Community Partners as the fiscal agent for the Mayor's Fund for Education, to expand services outlined in the Early Childhood Education (ECE) Hub contract and continue supporting the local workforce's ability to return to work and the stabilization of the childcare industry as both workers and childcare programs recover from COVID-19, through the ECE Hub and tuition assistance.

On July 19, 2022, the City Council adopted Resolution No. RES-22-0121 to execute an 18-month contract with Community Partners to develop and pilot the ECE Hub program in an amount not to exceed \$600,000.

The requested action increases the contract authority with Community Partners by \$300,000 for a revised contract amount not to exceed \$900,000. On September 13, 2022, City Council voted to adopt the City of Long Beach (City) Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year (FY) 2023, which included the Mayor's recommendation to allocate \$300,000 toward per-K tuition assistance, technology, and administration by partnering with the ECE partnership. Amending Contract No. 36515 is necessary to allocate the funds according to the adopted budget.

The ECE Hub Program was created as a Long Beach Recovery Act program to develop efficiencies for both parents and ECE providers. Childcare assistance has been made available through the Hub system. Both the tuition assistance and the Hub stabilization supports the local workforce's ability to return to work and the stabilization of the childcare industry as both workers and childcare programs recover from COVID-19. The Hub increases access to essential early childhood electronic enrollment systems. The ECE Hub is capable of utilizing and allocating not only existing childcare funding streams to the benefit of parents and childcare providers but also potentially harnessing new funding as it becomes available to support equitable access to child care and sustainability and with a shared service model is a critical step to creating equitable access to high-quality

early education and creating opportunities for child care industry growth to meet growing needs of families with young children.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Marsha Yasuda on June 5, 2023, Purchasing Agent Michelle Wilson on May 26, 2023, and Budget Analysis Officer Greg Sorensen on June 1, 2023.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action to amend Contract No. 36515 is requested on July 11, 2023, to ensure there is no interruption to services.

LEVINE ACT

This item is subject to the Levine Act. The Mayor, Councilmembers, and Commissioners who have received a contribution of more than \$250 within 12 months prior from a party, participant, or their representatives involved in this proceeding may do either of the following: (1) disclose the contribution on the record and recuse themselves from this proceeding; OR (2) return the portion of the contribution that exceeds \$250 within 30 days from the time the elected official knew or should have known about the contribution and participate in the proceeding.

All parties, participants, and their representatives must disclose on the record of this proceeding any contribution of more than \$250 made to the Mayor or any Councilmembers within 12 months prior to the date of the proceeding. The Mayor, Councilmembers, and Commissioners are prohibited from accepting, soliciting, or directing a contribution of more than \$250 from a party, participant, or their representatives during a proceeding and for 12 months following the date a final decision is rendered.

EQUITY LENS

The City has incorporated the Equity Toolkit in this recommendation, as requested by the City Council on April 21, 2020. Providing this action will allow for a streamlined process to efficiently implement Long Beach Recovery Act programming intended for community recovery from the effects of the pandemic. Long Beach residents, workers, and business owners are faced with economic and social impacts that require action and assistance from the City, especially for the communities of color that were disproportionately impacted by the pandemic.

Program data will be tracked by the Program Managers/Administrators and be reported as a part of the LB Recovery Act throughout the program's implementation. For more information, please visit the Long Beach Recovery Act Reporting and Data page: <https://longbeach.gov/recovery/reporting-data/>.

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FISCAL IMPACT

The requested action increases the contract authority with Community Partners by \$300,000. The total amount of the contract will not exceed \$900,000. Sufficient appropriation is budgeted in the General Fund Group in the Health and Human Services Department. As part of the FY 23 Adopted Budget, one-time funding of \$300,000 in the General Fund Group in the Health and Human Services Department was allocated to support this effort. This recommendation has no staffing impact beyond the normal budgeted scope of duties and is consistent with existing City Council priorities. There is no local job impact associated with this recommendation.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



KELLY COLOPY
DIRECTOR
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

APPROVED:



THOMAS B. MODICA
CITY MANAGER

LEVINE ACT DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

California Government Code Section 84308, commonly referred to as the "Levine Act," prohibits any Long Beach City Councilmember, the Mayor, and Commissioner ("City Officer") from participating in any action related to a proceeding if they receive any political contributions totaling more than \$250 within the previous twelve months, while a proceeding is pending, and for 12 months following the date a final decision in a proceeding concerning a license, permit, entitlement, franchise or, contract (collectively "license, permit, or contract") has been made, from the person or company awarded the said license or contract. The Levine Act also requires a City Officer that has received such a contribution to disclose the contribution on the record of the proceeding.

City Officers are listed at the following sites:

- The Mayor and Councilmembers - <https://www.longbeach.gov/officials/>
- Harbor Commissioners - <https://polb.com/commission>
- Water Commissioners - <https://lbwater.org/about-us/current-water-commissioners/>
- Planning Commissioners - <https://www.longbeach.gov/mayor/action/commissions/>
- Parks and Recreation Commissioners - <https://www.longbeach.gov/mayor/action/commissions/>
- Board of Examiners, Appeals, and Condemnation - <https://www.longbeach.gov/mayor/action/commissions/>
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- Long Beach Community Investment Company - <https://www.longbeach.gov/lbds/hn/lbcic/>

Proposers are responsible for accessing these links to review the names prior to answering the following questions.

1. Have you or your company, or any agent on behalf of you or your company, made any political contributions of more than \$250 to any City Officer in the 12 months preceding the date of the submission of your proposals or the anticipated date of any City Council, Board, or Commission action related to this license, permit, or contract?

YES

NO

If yes, please identify the City Officer(s):

2. Do you or your company, or any agency on behalf of you or your company, anticipate or plan to make any political contribution of more than \$250 to any City Officer in the 12 months following any City Council, Board, or Commission action related to this license, permit, or contract?

YES

NO

If yes, please identify the City Officer(s):

Answering yes to either of the two questions above does not preclude the City of Long Beach from awarding a license, permit, or contract to your firm or any taking any subsequent action related to the said license, permit, or contract. It does, however, preclude the identified City Officers from participating in any actions related to this license, permit, or contract.

June 20, 2023

Date

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Alicia Lara

Signature of authorized individual

Alicia Lara

Type or write name of authorized individual

Community Partners

Type or write name of company

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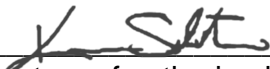
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Date



Signature of authorized individual

Type or write name of authorized individual

Type or write name of company