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Legislation Text

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Library recommending the Board authorize the Chair to sign grant funding contract with First 5 El Dorado in the amount of \$255,000 for the term ending June 30, 2012 to provide funding for early literacy programs and services for children 0-5 years old at the library branches and other sites throughout the county.

FUNDING: First 5 Grant.

BUDGET SUMMARY:		
Total Grant Amount		\$ 255,000
Funding		
Budgeted	\$ 444,002	
New Funding Amount	\$ 255,000	
Savings	\$	
Other	\$ <189,002>	to be adjusted in Addenda
Total Funding Available	\$ 255,000	
Change To Net County Cost		\$ 0

Fiscal Impact/Change to Net County Cost:

Funding from First 5 El Dorado was anticipated to be \$442,002 in the FY 2011/12 Recommended Budget approved by the Board in June. Due to state budget actions, First 5 El Dorado has reduced the grant contract amount by \$189,002. The Library will submit a budget adjustment in the FY 2011-12 Addenda process to reflect this change. This adjustment will result in no change to Net County Cost.

Background:

First 5 El Dorado has contracted with the Library over the last five years to provide early literacy services and programs to over 2,000 children and their caregivers at all six library branches and Northside School, as well as outreach services to early childhood education sites, medical clinics and offices and other community sites. With First 5 funding, Library staff have developed a variety of effective age-appropriate early literacy classes, known as Ready to Read @ the Library, that have successfully helped the library to achieve its mission to promote literacy and education.

Reason for Recommendation:

This agreement continues the Ready to Read @ the Library program. The FY 2011/2012 Recommended Budget anticipated \$444,002 in First 5 funding for the Library. Due to state budget actions, First 5 El Dorado has reduced this request by \$189,002 for a total grant of \$255,000. Funding will provide four 0.8 FTE permanent Early Childhood Literacy Specialists for the libraries in El Dorado Hills, Cameron Park, Placerville and South Lake Tahoe as well as extra help employees.

Books and supplies are also provided by the grant funding. The Library will submit a budget adjustment as well as the reduction of a 0.5 vacant position to reflect this change in funding in the Addenda process for the FY 2011/2012 budget.

Action to be taken following Board approval:
Library to implement First 5 programming.

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Concurrences: County Counsel and Risk Management