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Legislation Text

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Library Director recommending the Board authorize the Chair to sign grant funding Contract No. 077-F1411 with First 5 El Dorado in the amount of \$212,500, for the period July 1, 2013, through June 30, 2014, 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	\$ 212,500
Funding.....	
Budgeted.....	
New Funding.....	\$ 212,500
Savings.....	
Other.....	
Total Funding Available.....	
Change To Net County Cost.....	\$ 212,500

Fiscal Impact/Change to Net County Cost

No Change to Net County Cost.

Background

First 5 El Dorado has contracted with the Library over the last six years to provide early literacy services and programs to over 2,000 children and their caregivers at all six library branches, 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 achieve its mission to promote literacy and education.

Reason for Recommendation

This agreement continues the Ready to Read @ the Library program. The FY 2013-14 Recommended Budget anticipated \$212,500 in First 5 funding for the Library. Funding will provide four 0.7 FTE permanent Early Childhood Literacy Specialists for the libraries in El Dorado Hills, Cameron Park, Placerville and South Lake Tahoe as well as part-time employees. Books and supplies are also provided by the grant funding.

Action(s) to be taken following Board approval

1) Clerk of the Board will obtain signature of Chair and return one (1) original to the Library for routing

to First 5 El Dorado.

2) Library to implement First 5 early literacy programming.

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Concurrences: County Counsel and Risk Management