

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF STANISLAUS
ACTION AGENDA SUMMARY

DEPT: CHILDREN AND FAMILIES FIRST COMMISSION

BOARD AGENDA # *B-8

Urgent _____ Routine _____

AGENDA DATE January 9, 2001

CEO Concurs with Recommendation YES NO _____
(Information Attached)

4/5 Vote Required YES _____ NO _____

SUBJECT:

APPROVAL OF ESTABLISHMENT OF THE CHILDREN AND FAMILIES FIRST
COMMISSION BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2000/2001, INCLUDING SALARIES AND
POSITIONS.

STAFF
RECOMMEN-
DATIONS:

1. AUTHORIZE THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND THE AUDITOR-
CONTROLLER TO ESTABLISH THE BUDGET UNIT AND MAKE THE
NECESSARY BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS PER THE ATTACHED TRANSACTION
FORM.
2. AMEND THE SALARY AND POSITION ALLOCATION RESOLUTION TO REFLECT
THE NEW POSITIONS RECOMMENDED.

FISCAL
IMPACT:

The total budget for the Children and Families First Commission is \$3,206,200. This budget unit will be funded by Proposition 10 funds with a current balance of approximately \$13.0 million held in a trust fund.

BOARD ACTION

No. 2001-24

On motion of Supervisor Mayfield, Seconded by Supervisor Blom,
and approved by the following vote,

Ayes: Supervisors: Mayfield, Blom, Simon, Caruso, and Chair Paul

Noes: Supervisors: None

Excused or Absent: Supervisors: None

Abstaining: Supervisor: None

1) Approved as recommended

2) _____ Denied

3) _____ Approved as amended

Motion:

REMOVED FROM CONSENT AND PLACED ON NON-CONSENT
FOR DISCUSSION

Christine Ferraro

File No.

BD-69-6

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DISCUSSION: The voters, on November 3, 1998, approved Proposition 10, known as the California Children and Families First Act of 1998. The Act recognized a need in California to create and implement a comprehensive system of services to support childhood development from the prenatal stage to five (5) years of age. The monies are generated by an increase in the tobacco tax, and are divided among counties based on the number of live births, annually, in the county. Stanislaus County is projected to receive in excess of \$7,000,000 annually.

In December 1998, the Board implemented the provisions of Proposition 10 by adopting an urgency ordinance, which set up the Stanislaus County Children and Families First Commission. It also appointed the first five (5) commissioners: (1) Member of the Board of Supervisors (Pat Paul); (2) Community Services Agency Director (Jeff Jue); (3) Health Services Agency Director (Bev Finley); (4) Director of Mental Health, now Behavioral Health and Recovery Services (Larry Poaster, Ph.D.); and (5) County Health Officer (now John Walker, M.D.). In the spring/summer of 1999 recruitment for the remaining four (4) positions took place (the Act allows for no more than nine (9) members). In late August 1999 the Board appointed the following community members from a pool of twenty-six (26) applicants: (1) Sallie Perez (District 2); (2) Beatrice Acosta (District 3); and (3) Nathaniel Green (District 5). There currently exists one vacancy.

In October 1999 the Office of the Attorney General determined that although local commissions exist wholly at the option of the County Board of Supervisors, the intent of the Act gave the following powers to a County Commission:

1. To contract in its own name;
2. To act as a decision-making entity;
3. To expend money;
4. To appoint employees;
5. To operate autonomously from the County Board of Supervisors; and
6. To sue and be sued.

The Act also makes it clear that "the manner of appointment selection, or removal of members of the County Commission, and the duration and number of terms County Commissioners shall serve" are matters left to the discretion of the County Board of Supervisors. Additionally, an enabling ordinance may include "any other matter that the Board of Supervisors deems necessary or convenient for the conduct of County Commission's activities".

On April 1, 2000, with approval of the Board of Supervisors, a Professional Services Agreement was signed by the Stanislaus County Children and Families First Commission and the County of Stanislaus. By this

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agreement, the County, through the Chief Executive Office, County Counsel, Auditor-Controller and Treasurer-Tax Collector agreed to perform a series of administrative, fiscal, deposit and disbursement, insurance payment and legal services, on behalf of the Commission. However, this agreement did not clarify a clear legal entity for the Stanislaus County Children and Families First Commission.

At its meeting of July 5, 2000 the Stanislaus County Children and Families First Commission unanimously agreed to pursue and negotiate with Stanislaus County an organizational structure that would establish the Commission as an agency of Stanislaus County, having independent authority over the Strategic Plan required by Proposition 10 and the Trust Fund created by the Proposition.

Assembly Bill 1910, enacted July 21, 2000, provided the explicit authority in statute to permit County Commissions to be established by County Boards of Supervisors as either (1) a legal entity separate from the County or (2) an agency of the County with independent authority over the Strategic Plan and the local Trust Fund. Thus, on August 8, 2000 the Board of Supervisors unanimously approved the establishment of the Children and Families First Commission as an agency of Stanislaus County, having independent authority over the Strategic Plan required by the California Children and Families First Act (Proposition 10) and over the Trust Fund created by this Act.

At its regularly scheduled meeting of August 30, 2000, the Commission conducted a hearing on and received public comment on the Strategic Plan 2000-2005. The Commission unanimously adopted the Stanislaus County Children and Families First Commission Strategic Plan 2000-2005.

Since the fall, the Administrative Committee of the Commission has worked with the Chief Executive Office and the Auditor-Controller to operationalize the actions of the Board of Supervisors and the Commission. Thus, on November 29, 2000, the Commission unanimously approved the recommendations of the Administrative Committee that their proposed 2000/2001 Operational Budget be presented to the Chief Executive Office and the Auditor-Controller for any additional changes, and then submit it to the Board of Supervisors to be included in the 2000/2001 County Budget.

The Chief Executive Office and Auditor-Controller have worked with the Children and Families First Commission in preparing a budget for the remainder of FY 2000/2001. The projected revenues and expenditures should adequately meet the needs of the Commission to begin implementing the recommendations of the Strategic Plan 2000-2005. The four positions (Manager III, Confidential Assistant III, Accountant II and

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Staff Services Coordinator) should be more than adequate to implement the actions of the Commission.

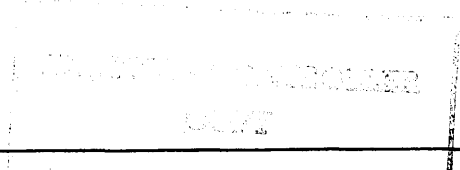
POLICY
ISSUES:

The Board of Supervisors is the ultimate authority to make inclusions into the County Budget and to approve positions and salaries within that Budget.

STAFFING
ISSUES:

This will add the following four (4) positions to the Children and Families First Legal Budget Unit of the County Budget: 1- Manager III, 1- Confidential Assistant III, 1-Accountant II and 1-Staff Services Coordinator.

AUDITOR-CONTROLLER BUDGET JOURNAL



BUDGET JOURNAL SCREEN



Budget Organization: **Stanislaus Budget Org**
 Budget: **LEGAL BUDGET**
 Accounting Period From: **Jul-00**
 To: **Jun-01**

BATCH SCREEN

Journal Batch: **BO --**
 Category: **Budget**

Line	Coding Structure						Period	Description	
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2			50000			.0	100,000		
3			50020			.0	10,000		
4			52010			.0	7,500		
5			53000			.0	4,000		
6			53020			.0	3,500		
7			54000			.0	750		
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9			61600			.0	500		
10			62400			.0	3,000		
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12			62730			.0	2,000		
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17			65000			.0	1,000		
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19			65780			.0	3,000		
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21			67040			.0	2,000		
22			67120			.0	3,000		
23			67125			.0	2,500		
24			74010			.0	600		
25	↓		74020			.0	900		
Totals								6386150.	

Explanation: *Establish budget for Children and Families First Commission*

Requesting Department <i>Veronica Pro. Field</i> Signature 1/3/01 Date	CEO _____ Signature _____ Date	Auditors Office Only <i>Stephen Arriaga</i> Prepared By 1/3/01 Date Admin Approval (\$75K+) _____ Date
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**AUDITOR-CONTROLLER
BUDGET JOURNAL**

APPROVED
DATE

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3			74100				.0	500		
4			74130				.0	1,000		
5			74370				.0	600		
6			75040				.0	5,000		
7			74110				.0	100		
8			74250				.0	4,200		
9			74300				.0	100		
10			74301				.0	1,000		
11			74302				.0	500		
12			74880				.0	5,000		
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Totals									26,250.00	

Explanation: *Establish budget for Children and Families Trust Commission*

Requesting Department	CEO	Auditors Office Only	
<i>Thomas W. Reid</i>	Signature	<i>Steph. Smith</i>	Admin Approval (\$75K+)
1/3/01	Date	1/3/01	Date