# Childcare Program Update

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# Outline

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# 2023-2025 Community Assessment

Identifying Optimal Slot Locations
1. Estimated Age 0-5 Population (pp 17-18)
2. Estimated Available Childcare Slots (pp.83-91)
3. Estimated Age 0-5 Population Eligible for Head Start Slots (p. 117)
4. County Head Start Slots Locations

# Identifying Optimal Slot Locations

| District | 1. 0-5 Population | | 2. Childcare Availability | | 3. Eligibility for Head Start | | 4. County Slots | |
| | A | B | A | B | A | B | A | B |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | # 0-5 Population | % of COUNTY 0-5 Population | # 0-5 Slots \| Slots as % of 0-5 Population | % of COUNTY Slots | # 0-5 Population < 130% FPL ($32,318 for family of 3) | % of COUNTY 0-5 Population < 130% FPL | # County Slots \| Slots as % of 0-5 Population < 130% FPL | % of COUNTY Slots |
| 5 | 13,522 | 17.8% | 3,233 \| 23.9% | 11.8% | 5,758 \| 42.6% | 32.3% | 340 \| 5.9% | 20.5% |
| 1 | 15,689 | 20.6% | 5,090 \| 32.4% | 18.5% | 4,737 \| 30.2% | 26.6% | 640 \| 13.5% | 38.6% |
| 3 | 17,398 | 22.8% | 4,903 \| 28.2% | 17.9% | 3,956 \| 22.7% | 22.2% | 461 \| 11.6% | 27.8% |
| 4 | 14,093 | 18.5% | 5,312 \| 37.7% | 19.4% | 2,480 \| 17.6% | 13.9% | 168 \| 6.8% | 10.1% |
| 2 | 15,471 | 20.3% | 8,906 \| 57.6% | 32.5% | 891 \| 5.8% | 5.0% | 48 \| 5.3% | 2.9% |
| Total | 76,173 | 100% | 27,444 \| 36.0% | 100% | 17,822 \| 24.4% | 100% | 1,657* \| 9.3% | 100% |

*149 slots are county-wide Home Visiting Slots and 110 slots are unassigned (1,657 + 149 + 110 = 1,916)

# Possible Interpretations

1. Head Start funding does not fully meet the need for subsidized high-quality childcare for low-income families.

2. All Districts need more slots for low-income families.

3. Districts 5, 2, and 4 have disproportionally few slots and would benefit from expansion of slots for low-income families (Head Start + State funded).

| District | 3. Eligibility for Head Start | | 4. County Slots | |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
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# 2024-2028 Grant Application

Solicitation Details
Slots
Contractors as Partners
Extended Hours
Mental Health Supports

# Solicitation Details

- 29 forecasted notice of funding awards, 151 expected awards nationally
  - Anticipated release date: ~~September 5, 2023~~  Delayed per Region IX on 9/6/23
  - Estimated due date: ~~November 6, 2023~~  Will be 60 days
  - 1 competition in California
  - Expected number of awards = 6
  - Expected budget = $29,661,911

- Anticipated components of solicitation (notice of funding opportunity):
  - Project Description
  - Appendices, including Board Attestation, Policy Council Approval, Letters of support
  - Budget
  - Federal Financial Review

# 2023 Head Start Slots Cost

| | Head Start + State (Layered) | Head Start Only | Total |
|---|---|---|---|
| **State Only** | | | |
| 144<br>8% | 1,329<br>69% | 443<br>23% | 1,916<br>100% |
| | **1,772 Head Start**<br>92% | | |

FFY 2023 47% slots directly-operated, 53% slots contracted

FFY2023 Head Start Funds = $39,863,640
1,772 Head Start Slots
**$39,863,640 / 1,772 = $22,497**

25% required non-federal match
$22,497 * 25% = $5,624

$22,497 + $5,624 = $28,121

**$28,121 FFY2023 cost per slot**

# 2024 Head Start Slots Cost

1,772 Head Start Funded Slots in 2023 at $28,121 per slot
Expected FFY2024 Head Start Grant = $29,661,911 (compared to $39,863,640 in 2023)
**$29,661,911 / $28,121 = 1,318 Federal Slots**

| | 2024 Slot Scenarios | Funding | Operational Costs | Facilities | Slots |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Decreased Funding = Decreased Slots | ⇩ | ⇧ | = | **~1,318** |
| 2 | Level Funding = Decreased Slots | = | ⇧ | = | **~1318+?** |
| 3 | Increased Funding = Maintained Slots | ⇧ | ⇧ | = | **1,772** |
| 4 | Increased Efficiency = Maintained Slots? | = | ⇩ | = | **1,772?** |
| 5 | Increased Funding = Increased Slots | ⇧ | ⇧ | ⇧ | ⇧ |

# Contractors as Partners

**County Functions**

- Recruitment and Enrollment*
- Comprehensive Services*
  - Health
  - Nutrition
  - Family and Community Engagement
  - Mental Health and Disabilities
  - Program Information Report (PIR) *
- Contract Monitoring*

**Partner Functions**

- Facilities
- Attendance
- Meals
- Education and Child Development
  - Developmental screenings
  - Curriculum adoption and implementation
  - Desired Results Developmental Profile (DRDP)

**\* = different from existing Delegate contract**

# Extended Hours

|  |  |
|---|---|
| **Current Hours** | **Recommended Hours** |
| **7:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.** | **6:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.** |

- **Justification**
  - Meeting commuting schedule of parents/caregivers
- **Impacts**
  - Increased security costs
  - Increased facility and food costs
  - Increased staffing costs
  - Introduces shift work
  - Teacher recruitment incentive or disincentive?

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# Mental Health Supports

## Current Supports

Therapist Assessments

• Mental health assessments of children with Medi-Cal

• Classroom observations

• Parent support for children that qualify for mental health services

• Referrals to child and family mental health services

• Referrals to other community resources

Additional Need-Based Assessments

• Developmental assessments and classroom observations

• Teacher and site supervisor support

• Staff trainings

## Recommended Enhancements

• Support for children that do not have Medi-Cal or other health care

• Behavioral Aides for Classrooms

• Certified Behavior Analysts for classroom support

• Additional teacher training through a trauma informed lens

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# 2022 Carryover Application

1. REQUEST FOR CARRYOVER OF 2022 UNOBLIGATED FUNDS EARLY HEAD START PROGRAM – GRANT NO. 09CH010862-4
2. REQUEST FOR CARRYOVER OF 2022 UNOBLIGATED FUNDS HEAD START PROGRAM – GRANT NO. 09CH010862-4
3. HEAD START PROGRAM 2022 CARRYOVER BUDGET

# 2022 Carryover Applications

- Unobligated funds from Year 4 (1/1/22-12/31/22)
- Proposed uses
  - Financial Incentives for recruitment and retention
  - Classroom supplies & new Partner start-up
  - Software enhancements and upgrades
  - Staff wellness / staff retention initiatives
  - Training and conferences

| | Head Start | Early Head Start | Total |
|---|---|---|---|
| Federal Amount Requested | 2,248,770 | 1,240,440 | 3,489,210 |
| Non-Federal Share (25% of Federal) | 562,192.50 | 310,110.00 | 872,303 |
| Total Federal and Non-Federal Budget | 2,810,963 | 1,550,550 | 4,361,513 |

# 2023 Grant Extension

1. Extension Application Narrative – 09CH010862
2. EARLY HEAD START PROGRAM 2023 BUDGET YEAR – 6 months Extension
3. HEAD START PROGRAM 2023 BUDGET YEAR – 6 MONTHS EXTENSION
4. Combined Appendices (starts with Program Goals and Objectives Updates)

# Year 5 2023 Grant Extension

- 6-month extension: 1/1/24-6/30/24
- Proposed uses
  - Salaries and benefits
  - Building occupancy, utilities
  - Training and conferences
  - Supplies to support education, comprehensive services, nutrition
  - Contractors: Data system, Partners, Delegate

|  | Head Start | Early Head Start | T/TA | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Federal Amount Requested | 8,567,943 | 6,066,738 | 196,275 | 14,830,956 |
| Non-Federal Share (25% of Federal) | 2,141,985.75 | 1,516,684.50 | 49,068.75 | 3,707,739 |
| Total Federal and Non-Federal Budget | 10,709,929 | 7,583,423 | 245,344 | 18,538,695 |

# Childcare Center Services

Enrollment and Vacant Slots
Attendance Rate
Meals and Snacks Served
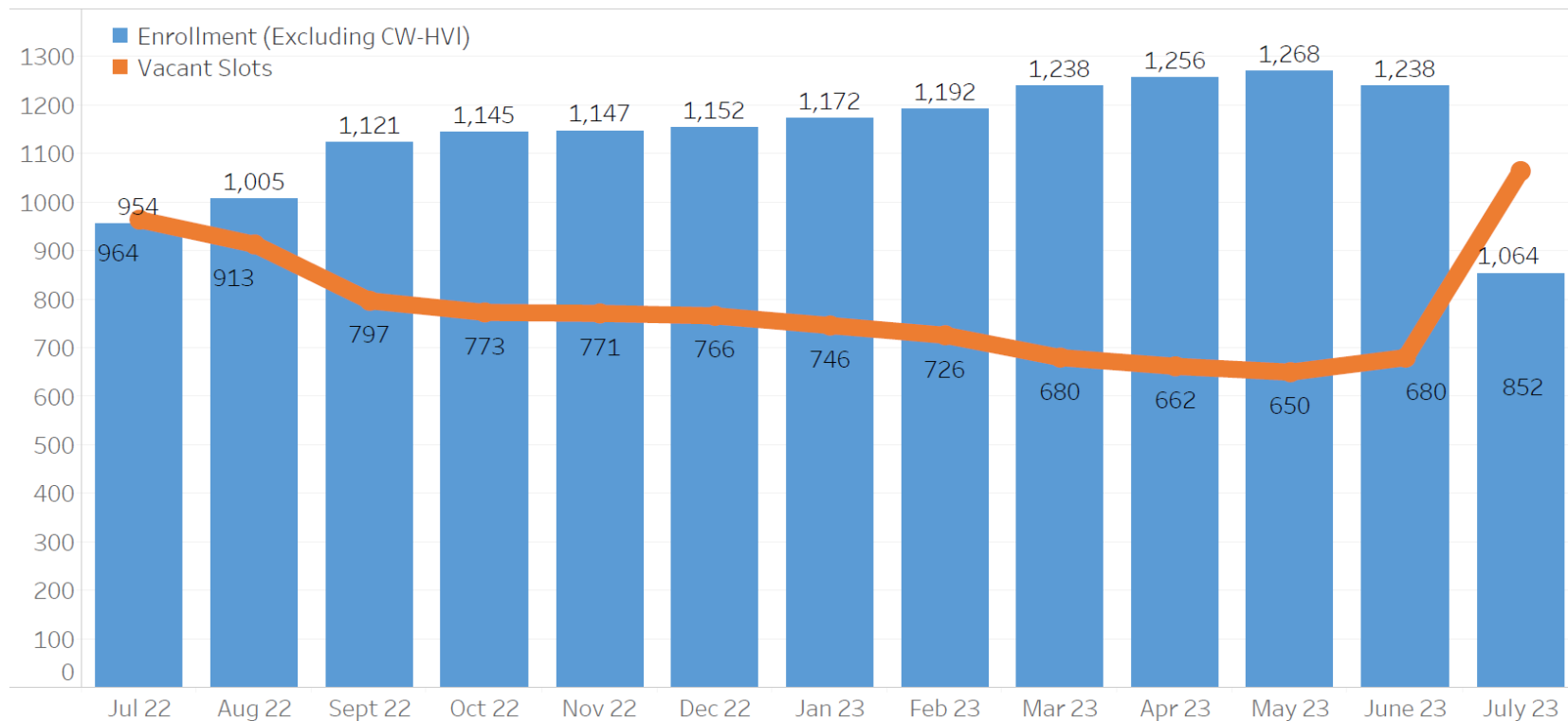Childcare Vacancies Trend

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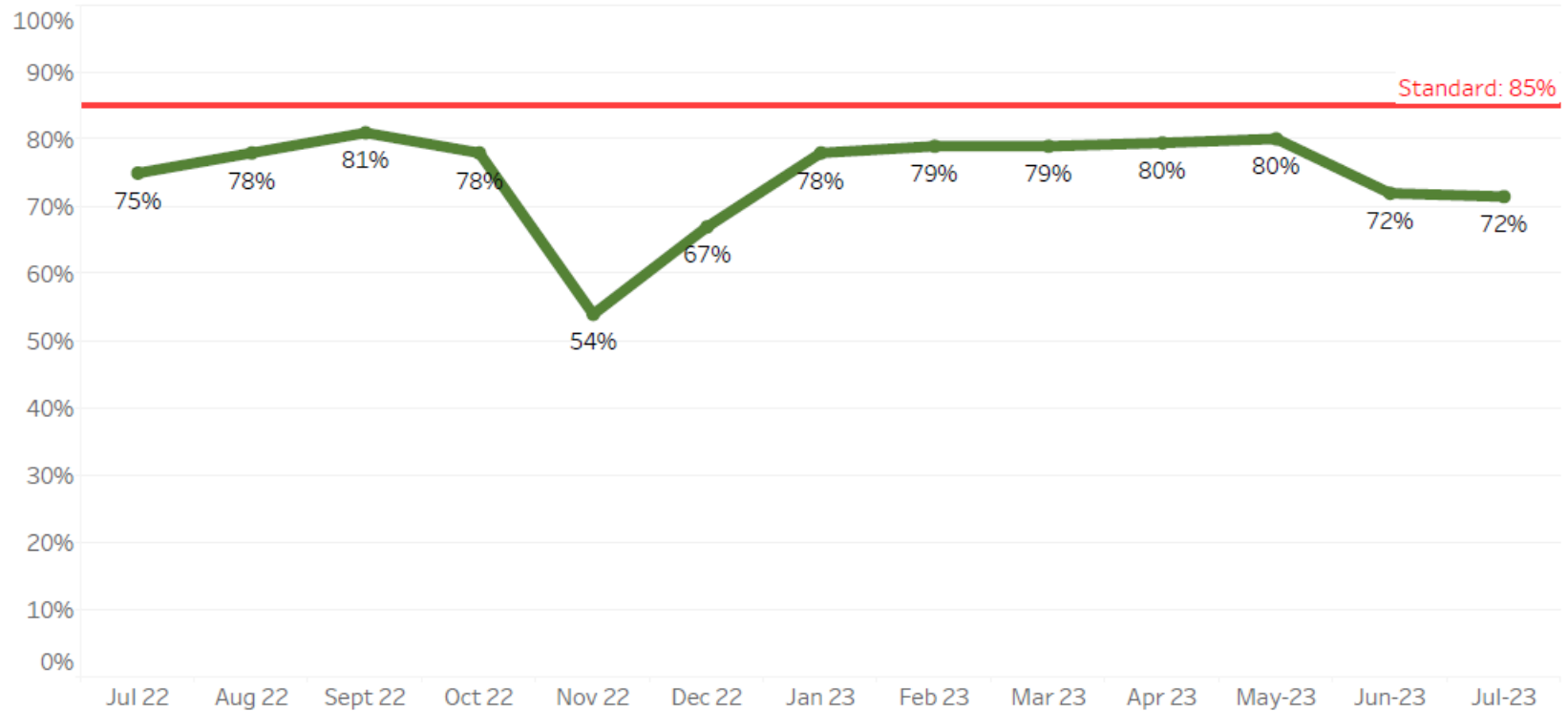COMMUNITY SERVICES
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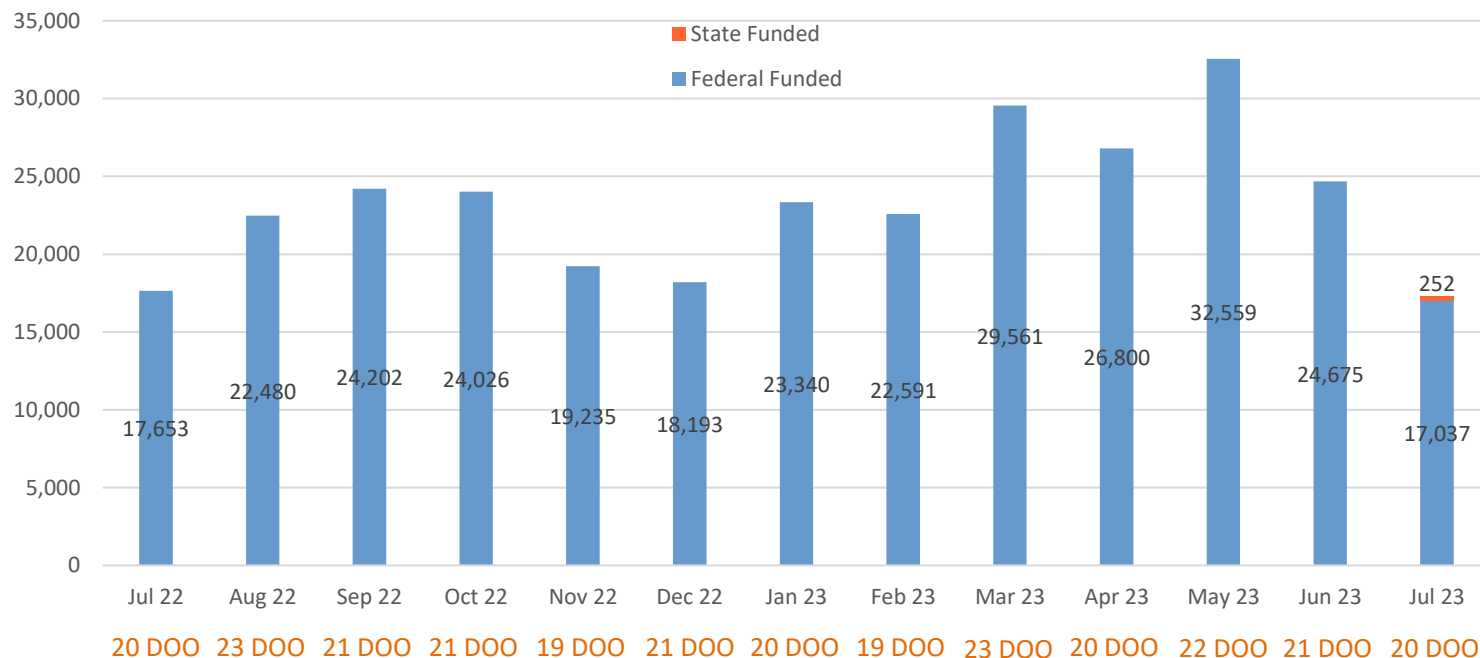CONTRA COSTA COUNTY
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# Enrollment and Vacant Slots

# Attendance Rate

# Meals and Snacks Served



Note: DOO = Days of Operation

# Childcare Vacancies Trend

## Filled vs Vacant FTEs 2021 - 2023

Legend: ■ Filled FTEs ■ Vacant FTEs

| | Jan 21 | Feb 21 | Mar 21 | Apr 21 | May 21 | Jun 21 | Jul 21 | Aug 21 | Sep 21 | Oct 21 | Nov 21 | Dec 21 | Jan 22 | Feb 22 | Mar 22 | Apr 22 | May 22 | Jun 22 | Jul 22 | Aug 22 | Sep 22 | Oct 22 | Nov 22 | Dec 22 | Jan 23 | Feb 23 | Mar 23 | Apr 23 | May 23 | Jun 23 | Jul 23 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Filled FTEs | 218 | 220 | 217 | 214 | 213 | 214 | 214 | 217 | 216 | 217 | 216 | 218 | 215 | 208 | 204 | 202 | 200 | 198 | 196 | 197 | 193 | 192 | 189 | 191 | 188 | 191 | 186 | 183 | 180 | 180 | 175 |
| Vacant FTEs | 37 | 35 | 40 | 43 | 45 | 35 | 34 | 32 | 33 | 32 | 33 | 31 | 34 | 42 | 45 | 47 | 49 | 51 | 53 | 52 | 56 | 57 | 60 | 58 | 61 | 58 | 63 | 66 | 69 | 69 | 71 |

## Vacant FTEs by Classification 2021 - 2023

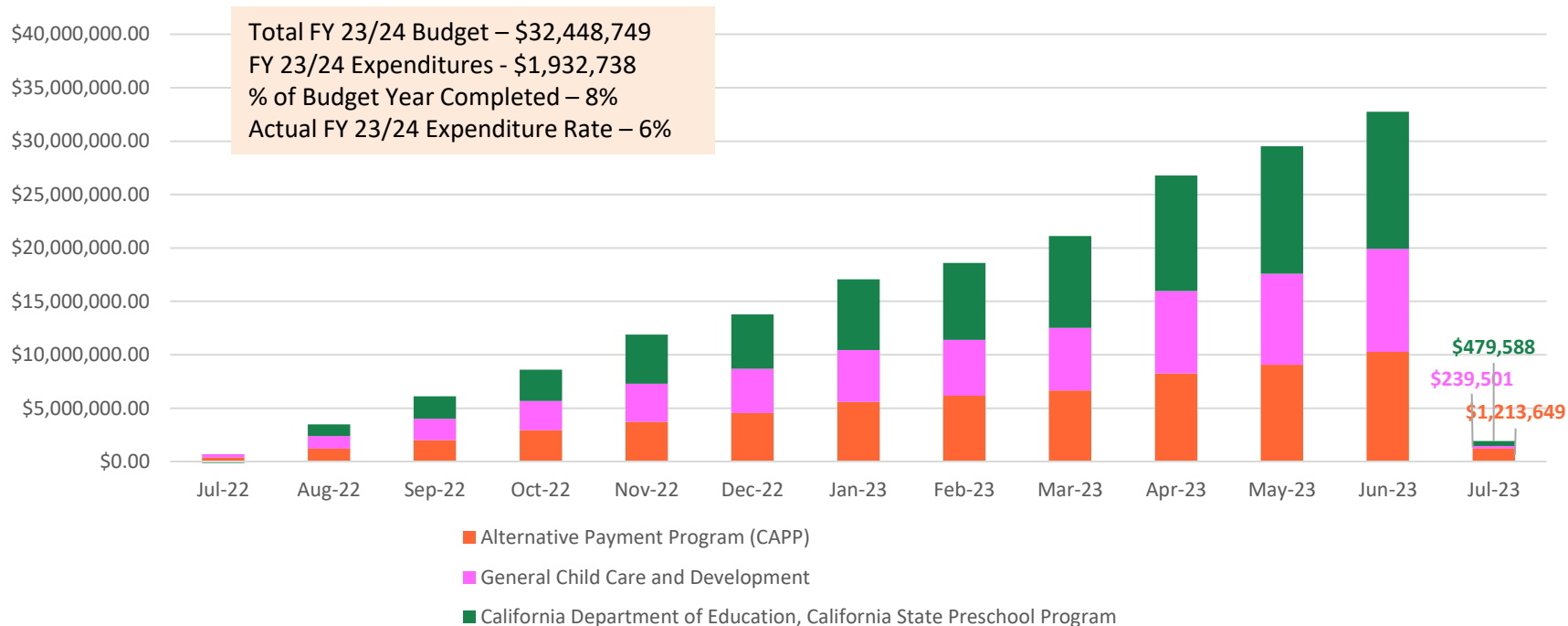| Classification | Jan 21 | Feb 21 | Mar 21 | Apr 21 | May 21 | Jun 21 | Jul 21 | Aug 21 | Sep 21 | Oct 21 | Nov 21 | Dec 21 | Jan 22 | Feb 22 | Mar 22 | Apr 22 | May 22 | Jun 22 | Jul 22 | Aug 22 | Sep 22 | Oct 22 | Nov 22 | Dec 22 | Jan 23 | Feb 23 | Mar 23 | Apr 23 | May 23 | Jun 23 | Jul 23 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Associate Teacher-Project | 7 | 7 | 6 | 7 | 7 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 7 | 8 | 10 | 12 | 13 | 18 | 19 | 18 | 18 | 18 | 18 | 17 | 17 | 17 | 17 | 17 | 17 | 14 |
| Child Nutrition Assistant-Proj | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| Child Nutrt Fd Svc Trns-Prj | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Child Nutrt Food Oper Supv-Prj | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Clerk-Experienced Level | 0 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Comprehensive Svcs Asst Mgr-Pr | 1 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 6 | 6 |
| Comprehensive Svcs Man -Prj | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Infant Toddler Assoc Tcher-Prj | 7 | 7 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 5 | 5 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 8 | 8 | 8 |
| Infant Toddler Teacher-Project | 2 | 2 | 3 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 5 | 6 | 6 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 6 | 5 | 6 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| Inf/Tod Master Teacher-Prj | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Intermediate Clerk-Prj | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 |
| Master Teacher-Project | 3 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 |
| Senior Clerk-Project | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 4 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 5 | 5 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 5 | 5 | 6 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| Site Supervisor I-Project | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Site Supervisor II - Project | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 |
| Clerk-Specialist Level | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Teacher-Project | 4 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 7 | 6 | 6 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 11 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 11 | 11 | 11 | 11 | 11 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 13 | 12 | 12 | 14 |
| Grand Total | 37 | 35 | 40 | 43 | 45 | 35 | 34 | 32 | 33 | 32 | 33 | 31 | 34 | 42 | 45 | 47 | 49 | 51 | 53 | 52 | 56 | 57 | 60 | 58 | 61 | 58 | 63 | 66 | 69 | 69 | 71 |

# Budget

State Childcare Budget
Early Head Start / Head Start Budget
Credit Card Expenditures
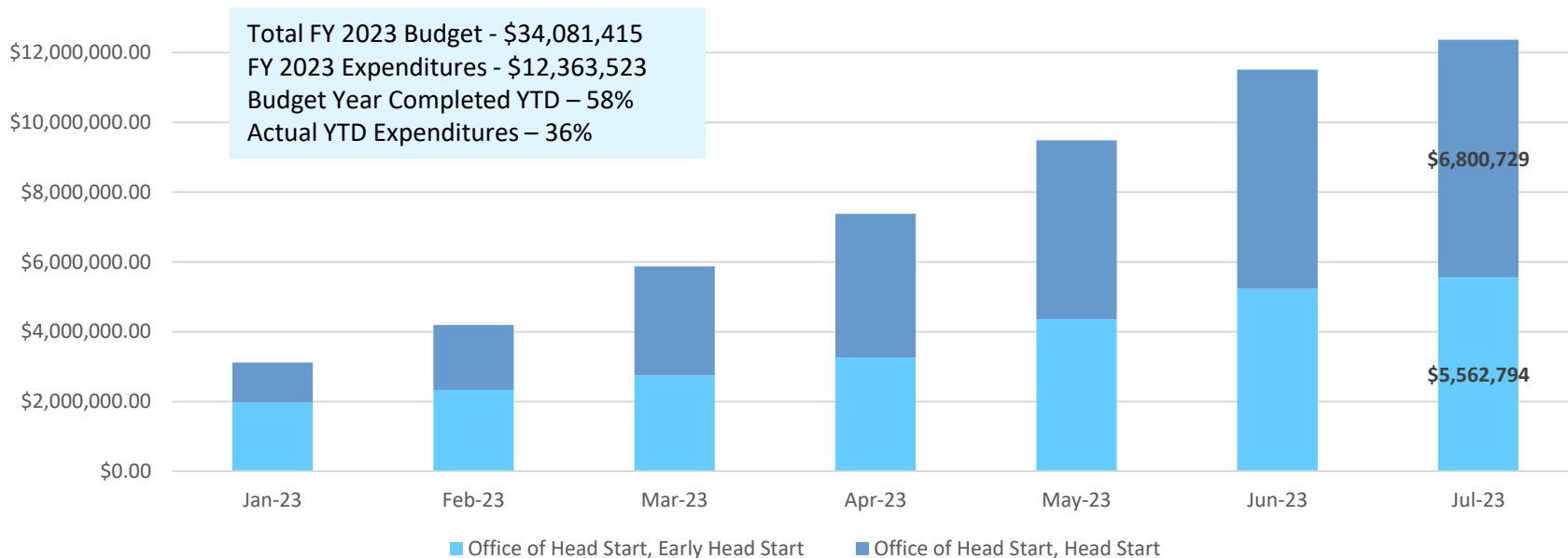
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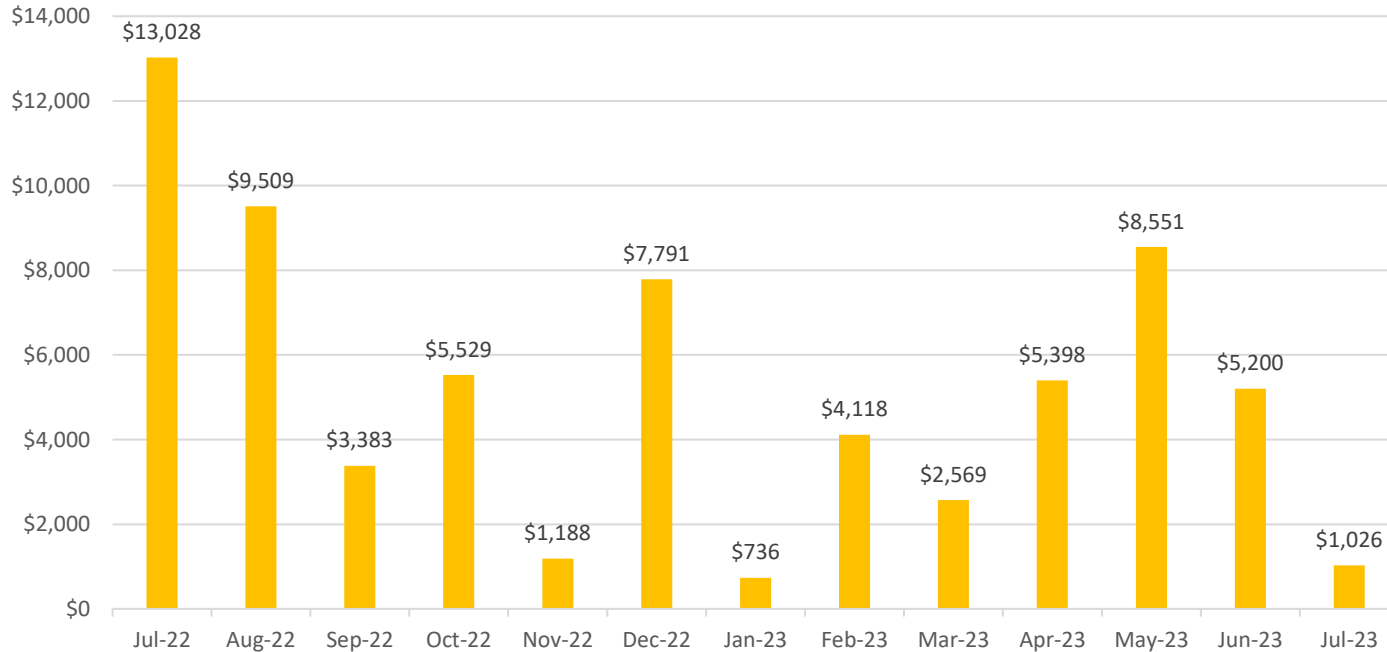
# State Childcare Budget

Total FY 23/24 Budget – $32,448,749
FY 23/24 Expenditures - $1,932,738
% of Budget Year Completed – 8%
Actual FY 23/24 Expenditure Rate – 6%



Jul-23 values:
- $479,588 (green)
- $239,501 (pink)
- $1,213,649 (orange)

Legend:
- ■ Alternative Payment Program (CAPP)
- ■ General Child Care and Development
- ■ California Department of Education, California State Preschool Program

# Early Head Start / Head Start Budget

Total FY 2023 Budget - $34,081,415
FY 2023 Expenditures - $12,363,523
Budget Year Completed YTD – 58%
Actual YTD Expenditures – 36%



Chart legend: Office of Head Start, Early Head Start ; Office of Head Start, Head Start

Jul-23 values: $6,800,729 (Head Start), $5,562,794 (Early Head Start)

# Monitoring

Unusual Incidents
Semi-Annual Monitoring
QIP Follow-Up

1. Monitoring Report Executive Summary August 2023

# Unusual Incidents

**Reportable incidents as defined by the Office of Head Start (OHS)**

OHS considers a "significant incident" to be any incident that results in serious injury or harm to a child, violates Head Start standards of conduct at 45 CFR §1302.90(c), or results in a child being left alone, unsupervised, or released to an unauthorized adult. A program must report all significant incidents affecting the health and safety of children with 7 days.
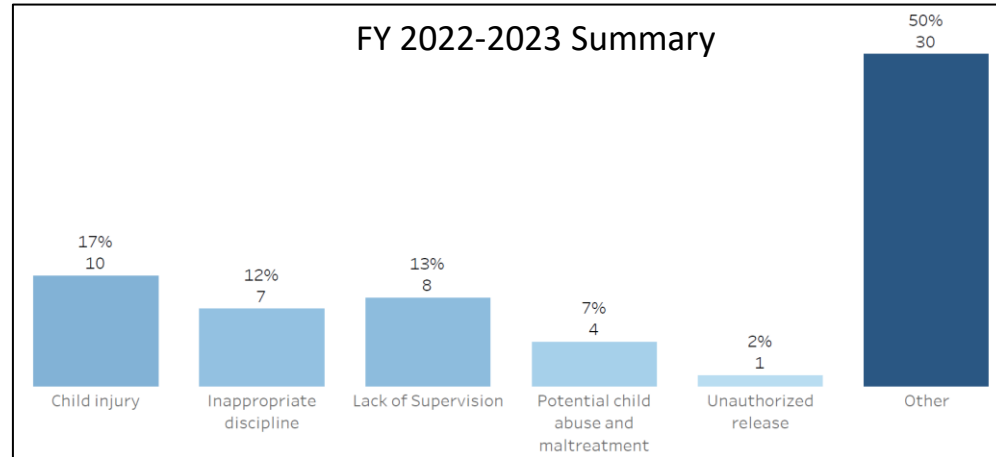
**California Department of Social Services Community Care Licensing Citations**

Type A: An immediate risk to the health, safety or personal rights of children in care.
Type B: If not corrected right away, may be a risk to the health, safety, and personal rights of the children in care.

**1 Reportable Unusual Incidents-July 2023**
Minor child injury. Family sought medical attention
as a precaution which elevates the incident to a major injury.



FY 2022-2023 Summary

| Category | Percent | Count |
|---|---|---|
| Child injury | 17% | 10 |
| Inappropriate discipline | 12% | 7 |
| Lack of Supervision | 13% | 8 |
| Potential child abuse and maltreatment | 7% | 4 |
| Unauthorized release | 2% | 1 |
| Other | 50% | 30 |

# Semi-Annual Monitoring

| Monitoring Level | Monitoring Tool | Overall Compliance Period 1 Jul-Dec 2022 | Overall Compliance Period 2 Jan-Jun 2023 |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Center Level Monitoring Tools** | 1. Daily Facility Safety Checklist | 45% | 97% |
| | 2. Daily Teacher Playground Checklist | 88% | 98% |
| | 3. Daily Health & Safety Classroom Checklist | 96% | 99.9% |
| | 4. Monthly Playground Checklist | 66% | 99% |
| **Content Area Level Monitoring Tools** | 5. Child Safety & Transition Monitoring | 97% | 98% |
| | 6. CACFP Center Monitoring Review (Directly Operated Only) | 95% | 97% |
| | 7. Health & Safety Checklist | 48% | 99% |
| | 8. Onsite Content Area Monitoring Tool | 94% | 95% |
| | 9. CEU Eligibility Monitoring Tool | 83% | 90% |
| | 10. CEU Over Income Eligibility Monitoring Tool | 83% | 92% |
| | 11. Senior Administrative Management (SAM) Tool | 92% | 98% |

# Semi-Annual Monitoring

| Monitoring Level | Monitoring Tool | Overall Compliance Period 1 Jul-Dec 2022 | Overall Compliance Period 2 Jan-Jun 2023 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Agency Level Monitoring Tools | 12. File Review: Need & Eligibility | 93% | N/A |
| | 13. File Review: Comprehensive Services | 85% | N/A |
| | 14. File Review: Education | 91% | N/A |
| | 15. Center Monitoring | N/A | 93% |
| | 16. Personnel Binder File Review | N/A | 97% |
| | 17. Infant/Toddler Environment Rating Scale (ITERS) | *Above 6 | N/A |
| | 18. Early Childhood Environmental Rating Scale (ECERS) | *Above 6 | N/A |
| | 19. Home Visiting Program | 100% | 100% |
| | 20. Head Start Health & Safety Screener | 91% | N/A |
| | 21. Fidelity Review: Child Nutrition Unit Health & Safety Monitoring Tool | 75% | 100% |
| | 22. Classroom Assessment Scoring System (CLASS) | *Above Average | N/A |
| | 23. Curriculum Fidelity: Infant & Toddler | N/A | 94% |
| | 24. Curriculum Fidelity: Preschool | N/A | 92% |

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# Strengths Identified

- Shifted focus from "completion" to "compliance"
- Overall improvement in compliance rates across tools
- Positive interactions between teachers and children continues to trend highly across tools
- Ongoing professional development focused on health, safety and supervision is evident in the overall monitoring data
- Preventable non-compliances continued to decrease during Period 2.



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# Areas for Continued Improvement

- Increasing compliance for specific indicators in content area checklists
  - Parent Boards
  - Safe environments
  - Personnel binders
- Timeline for corrections of larger facility issues (i.e. rust)
  - This has shown a HUGE improvement toward the end of the monitoring period

# QIP Follow-Up Review July 25-28, 2023

| No | Service Area | Grant Number(s) | Compliance Level | Applicable Standards | Timeframe for Correction |
|----|--------------|-----------------|------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|
| 1 | Ongoing Monitoring and Continuous Improvement | 09CH010862 | Deficiency | 302.102(b)(1)(i-iv) | 120 days |
| 2 | Program Governance | 09CH010862 | Area of Noncompliance | 642(c)(1)(E)(ii) | 120 days |
| 3 | Safety Practices | 09CH010862 | Deficiency | 1302.102(d)(1)(ii) | 120 days |
| 4 | Safety Practices | 09CH010862 | Deficiency | 1302.47(b)(5)(iii) | 90 days* |
| 5 | Safety Practices | 09CH010862 | Deficiency | 1302.90(c) | 90 days* |
| 6 | Ongoing Fiscal Capacity | 09CH010862 | Deficiency | 75.303(a) | 120 days |

Corrected 2/9/23
Corrected 2/9/23

* On August 1, 2022, the Regional Office of Head Start approved a 60-day extension, giving Contra Costa County a total of 90 days to correct and implement procedures in the Service Area of Safety Practices.

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# Region IX Communications

ACF-IM-HS-23-03
ACF-IM-HS-23-04

1. ACF-IM-HS-23-03
1. ACF-IM-HS-23-04

# July 2023 Communications

1. **ACF-IM-HS-23-03** Treatment of Rebates, Refunds, Discounts, and Similar Cost Savings: Guidance on cost-saving measures and how the savings should be treated by the recipient toward the Head Start award (not relevant to us)

2. **ACF-IM-HS-23-04** Fiscal Year 2024 Monitoring Process for Head Start and Early Head Start Recipients: Updated process to conduct Federal Reviews (not relevant to us)

# Current Events
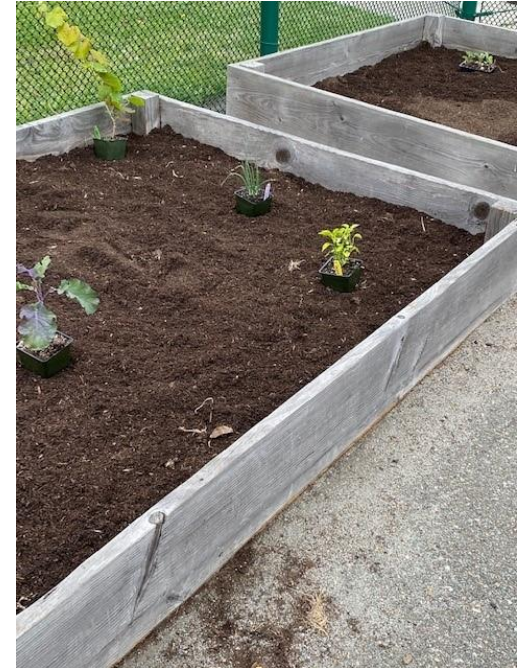
August 2023
September 2023

# August 2023 Events

## Balboa Garden

# September 2023 Events
## Community Engagement at Los Nogales

# Recommendation

ACCEPT the monthly update on the activities and oversight of the County's Childcare Program, APPROVE the 2022 Carryover Application, APPROVE the 2023 Grant Extension, and PROVIDE GUIDANCE on the 2024-2028 grant application (Marla Stuart, Employment & Human Services Director).