

Summary of Input Received on Staff Recommendations for Allocating Additional Revenues

This summarizes input received from organizations that testified at the October 31, 2016 Allocation Committee meeting, written input received by PCL staff after the meeting between 10/31/16 and 11/18/16, and input received via a written survey completed by grantees that implemented the Youth Program Quality Intervention in 2016.

After the October 31, 2016 meeting, PCL solicited written input via the PCL contact database which includes (among others), grantees, organizations that applied for funding in the past but are not current grantees, and organizations that have not applied for funding in the past but have requested to receive PCL communications.

1. Provide After-school Funding for Programs Not Currently Funded

Four organizations requested that PCL allow programs that are not currently funded to apply for after-school program funding with the additional revenues.

2. Provide More Funding for Current Grantees

Five organizations requested that PCL provide increased funding to existing grantees (over and above the 2% COLA) for a variety of purposes including covering increased health care and space rental costs, capacity building for data reporting, and expansion of existing programming.

3. Increase Funding for Preschool Group Programs

Two organizations funded to provide preschool group programs advocated for increased funding for these programs.

4. Remedy Calculation Error in Mental Health Consultation Recommendation

Morrison Child and Family Services advocated for increasing the additional funding for mental health consultants for home visiting programs to cover the cost of 2 full time employees. Original calculation by PCL staff was mistakenly based on less than full time employees.

5. Provide Funding for Hunger Relief Programs Not Currently Funded

One organization advocated for allowing hunger relief programs not currently funded to apply for funding with the additional revenues.

6. Increase Funding for Currently Funded Hunger Relief Programs

One organization advocated for increased funding to current hunger relief programs to expand availability of translation services at school pantry sites, and to better support parent and student involvement in pantry operations.

7. Support for Staff Recommendations

Seven organizations expressed support for one or more of the following specific staff recommendations:

- Funding for current grantees to expand summer programming
- Funding for reduction in caseloads of home visiting staff

- Expanding mental health consultation services to home visitors and including hiring of bilingual/bicultural staff

8. Increase Funding for Current Grantees Implementing Youth Program Quality Intervention

This feedback came from a survey of after-school and mentoring grantees who implemented the Youth Program Quality intervention in 2016. When asked what was needed to support their ongoing implementation of the Youth Program Quality Intervention, they advocated for increased funding to support staff capacity for ongoing implementation (e.g. compensation for substitutes to accommodate staff program observation, assistance in handling implementation logistics, assigning management of process to one staff, compensation for time spent training).