



AGENDA

PUBLIC NOTICE

Regular Meeting of the Finance Sub Committee

Wednesday, September 10, 2025

2:00 PM

First 5 Riverside County
585 Technology Ct
Riverside, California 92507

This notice shall confirm the Regular Meeting of the Finance Sub Committee of the Riverside County Children and Families Commission.

Note: If special accommodations are needed to participate in this meeting, please contact Lynn Stephens, Executive Assistant IV, at (951) 955-0200 during regular business hours of the Riverside County Children and Families Commission (Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.).

Note: Public Comments will be taken on agenda items at various times during the meeting. Please submit a Request to Speak form to the Executive Assistant IV at any time before or during the meeting indicating the item you wish to address.

Note: Please place all cellular phones on vibrate or off mode during the meeting.

- A. Call to Order – Jose Campos, Vice Chair**
 - A.1. Pledge of Allegiance
 - A.2. Roll Call – Lynn Stephens, Executive Assistant IV
- B. Public Comments (for items not listed on the agenda) – Jose Campos, Vice Chair**
- C. Presentation/Information Item – Jose Campos, Vice Chair**
 - C.1. Dashboards and Trends - Elle Law, MPH, Epidemiologist, RUHS Epidemiology and Program Evaluation - Charna Widby, Assistant Director

Dashboards and Trends:

Using Epidemiology for the First 5 Population in Riverside County
September 10, 2025

RUHS Public Health- Epidemiology & Program Evaluation Branch (EPE)

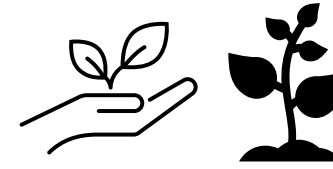


The **Data Unit** is home to a multi-disciplinary team of epidemiologists, research specialists, economists and data scientists.

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- Mission: investigate the factors that determine the presence or absence of diseases and health related outcomes
- Analyze data, prepare reports and presentations, and use statistics and Geographic Information System (GIS) to guide program and policy development
- Access and experience with a variety of special data sources
 - *Births & deaths data (Vital Records), hospital and emergency department data, 911 data, vaccinations, and demographic data*

Dashboards in Development

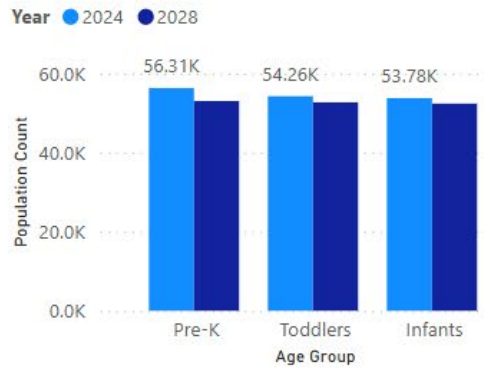


- **General Demographics Dashboard**
 - Population, births, deaths, top causes of injury/death, poverty status, etc.
- **Comprehensive Health and Development**
 - Drowning prevention, maternal health, developmental screenings, positive tox births
- **Home Visiting and Family Support**
 - Program reach, retention, equity of access, system capacity

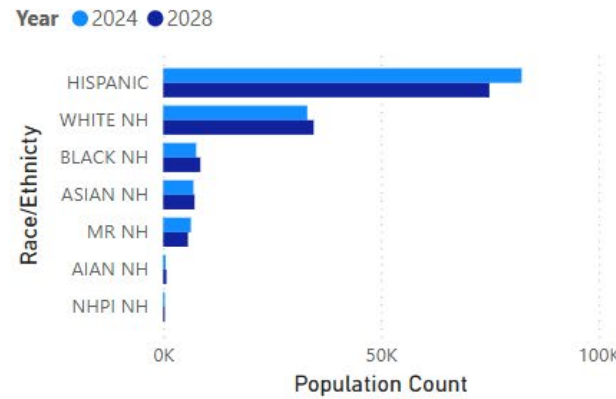
Riverside County has ~230,000 children ages 0–5 (2028 projection)

Demographics of the 0-5 Years Old Population (Riverside County, 2024)

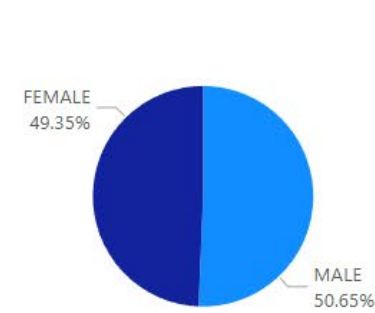
Current vs Projected Population by Age Group



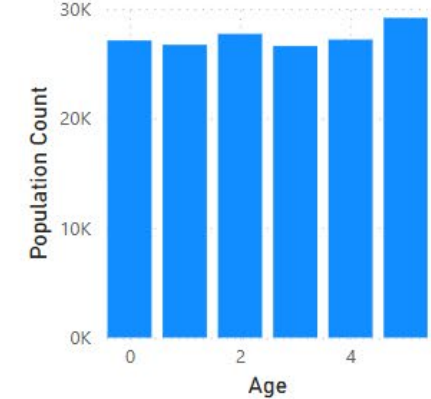
Current vs Projected Population By Race/Ethnicity



By Gender

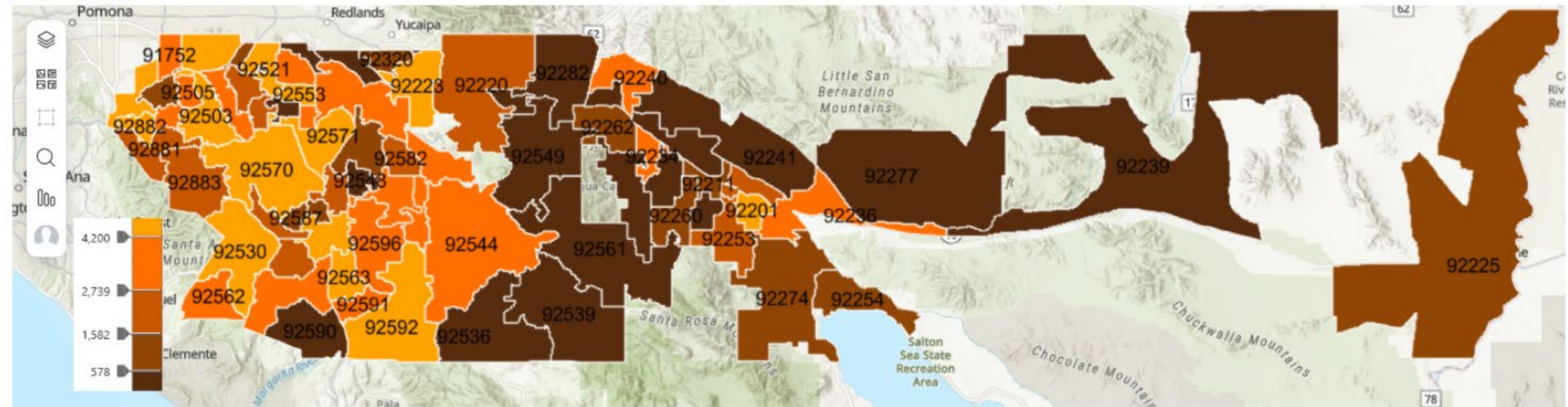


By Exact Age



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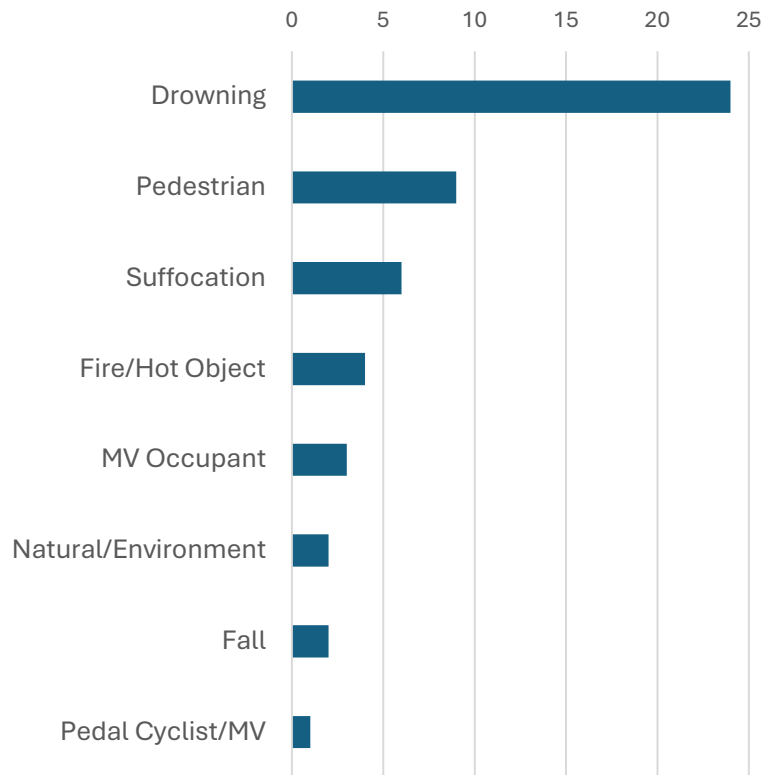
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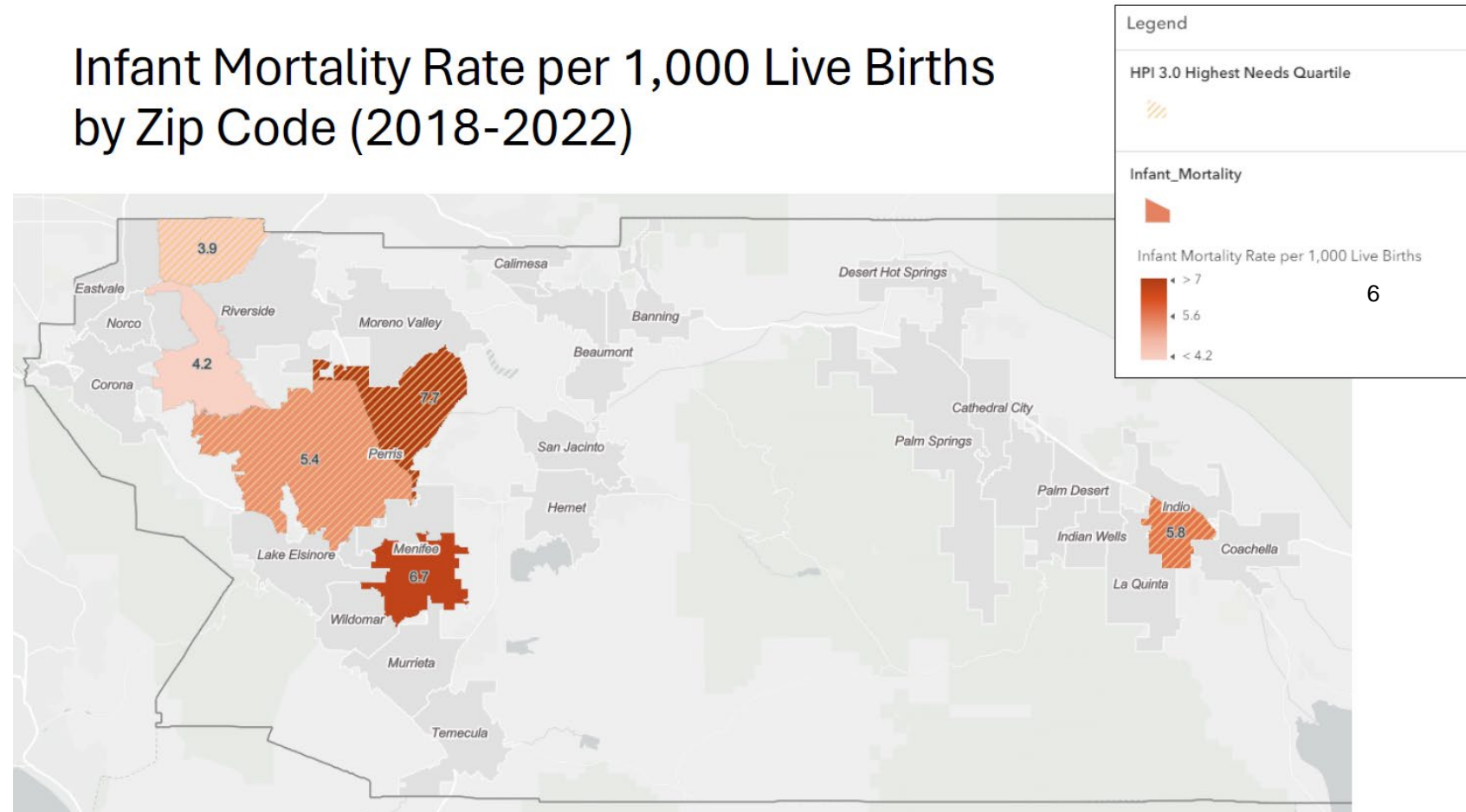
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Deaths

Unintentional Deaths by Category in
 Riverside County,
 0-5 yr olds (2018-2022)



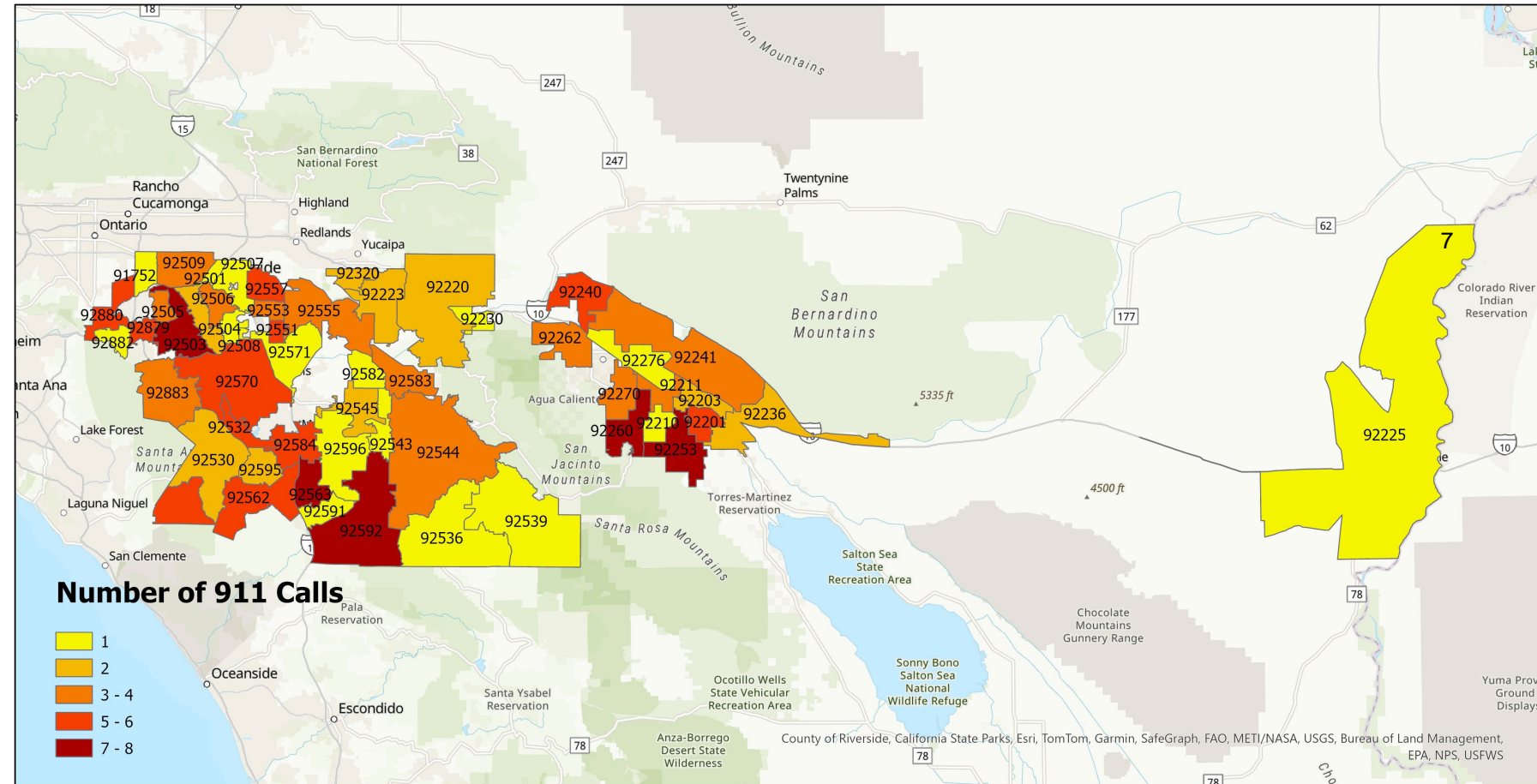
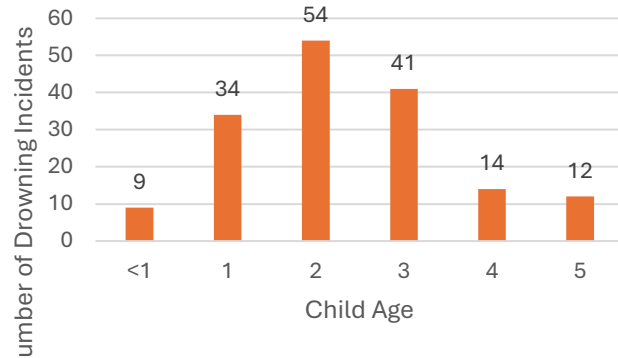
Infant Mortality Rate per 1,000 Live Births
 by Zip Code (2018-2022)



Drowning Prevention

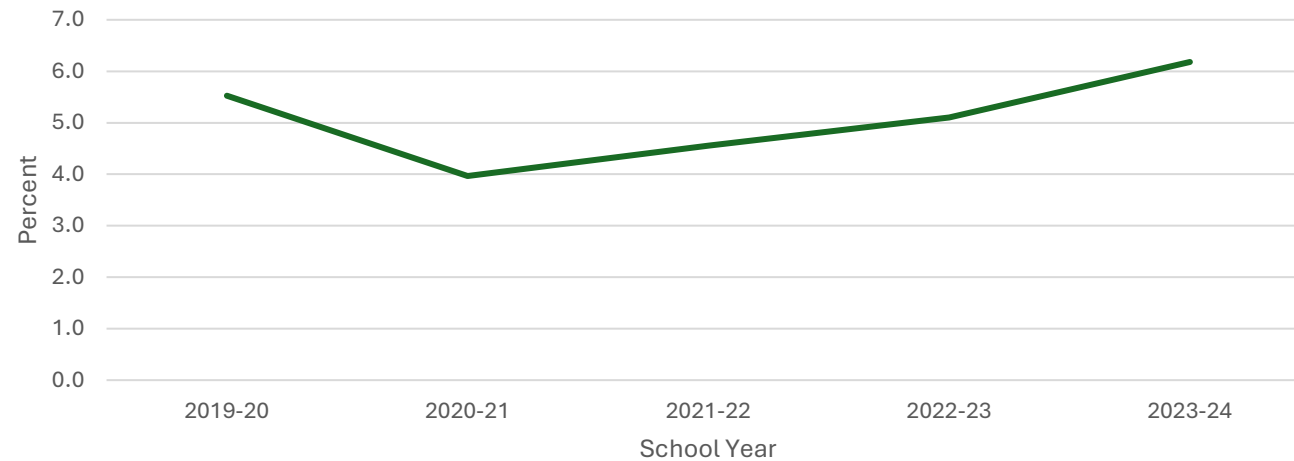
911 Calls for Drowning/Near-Drowning Incidences of 0-5 Yr old Children in Riverside County (2022-2024)

911 Calls for Drowning/
 Near-Drowning Incidents
 in Riverside County by Age
 (2022-2024)



Unhoused Students

Percent of Unhoused Kindergarteners by School Year, Riverside County (2019-2023)



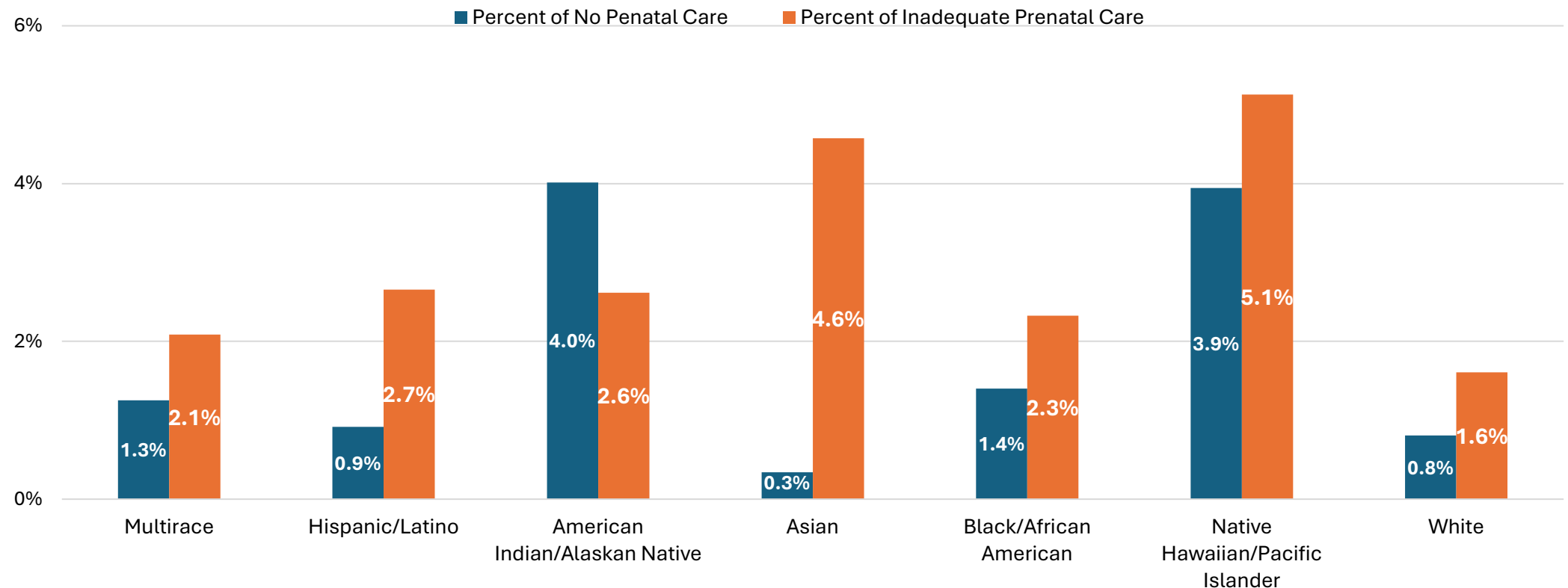
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2023-24 Homeless Student Enrollment by Dwelling Type, Riverside County, Disaggregated by Grade Level

Grade Level	Cumulative Enrollment	Homeless Student Enrollment	Temporarily	Temporary Shelters	Hotels/Motels	Temporarily	Missing/Unknown
			Doubled-Up			Unsheltered	Dwelling Type
Grade TK	11,581	675	91.10%	3.60%	4.10%	1.20%	0.00%
Grade K	27,959	1,728	89.10%	4.20%	5.20%	1.50%	0.00%
Grade 1	30,592	1,408	85.90%	4.70%	7.30%	2.10%	0.00%

Prenatal Care

Percent of No Prenatal and Inadequate* Prenatal Care by PGB's Race/Ethnicity in Riverside County
(2018-2023)

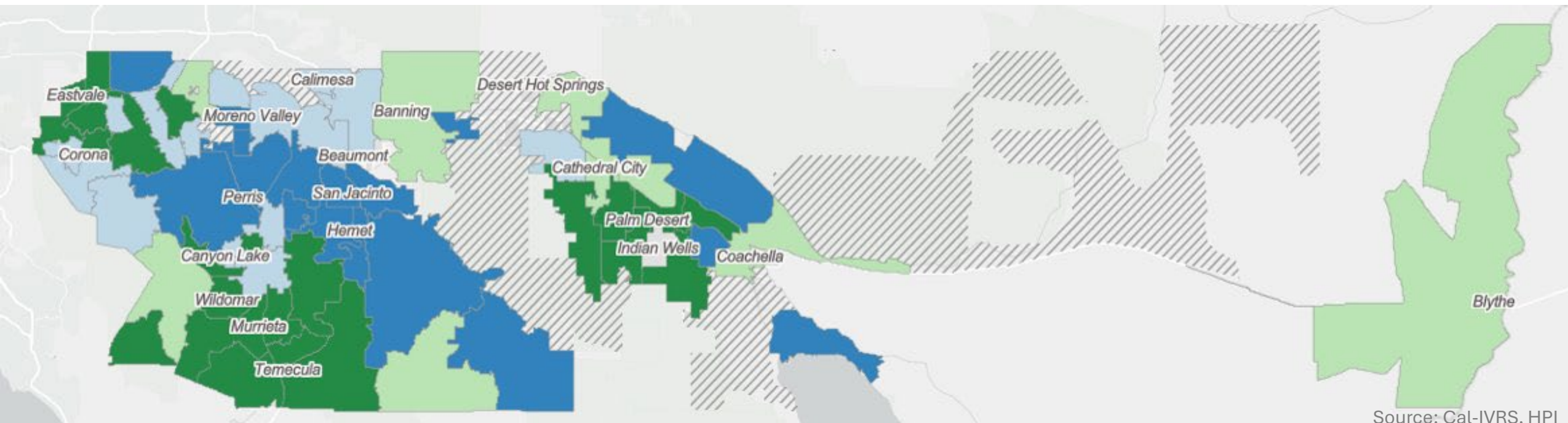
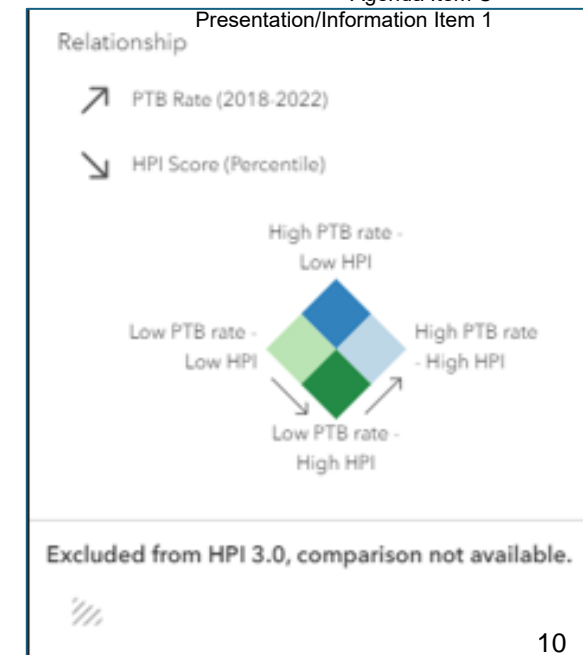


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*Inadequate prenatal care: care that began after the 4th month of pregnancy, as well as prenatal care that included less than 50% of the recommended number of visits

Preterm Birth Rate (PTB) & Healthy Places Index (HPI)

- About 9% of births in Riverside County are preterm
- Period of Measure: 2018-2022, by zip code
- Preterm Birth Rate per 1,000 people
- HPI 3.0 score of social conditions that influence health outcomes



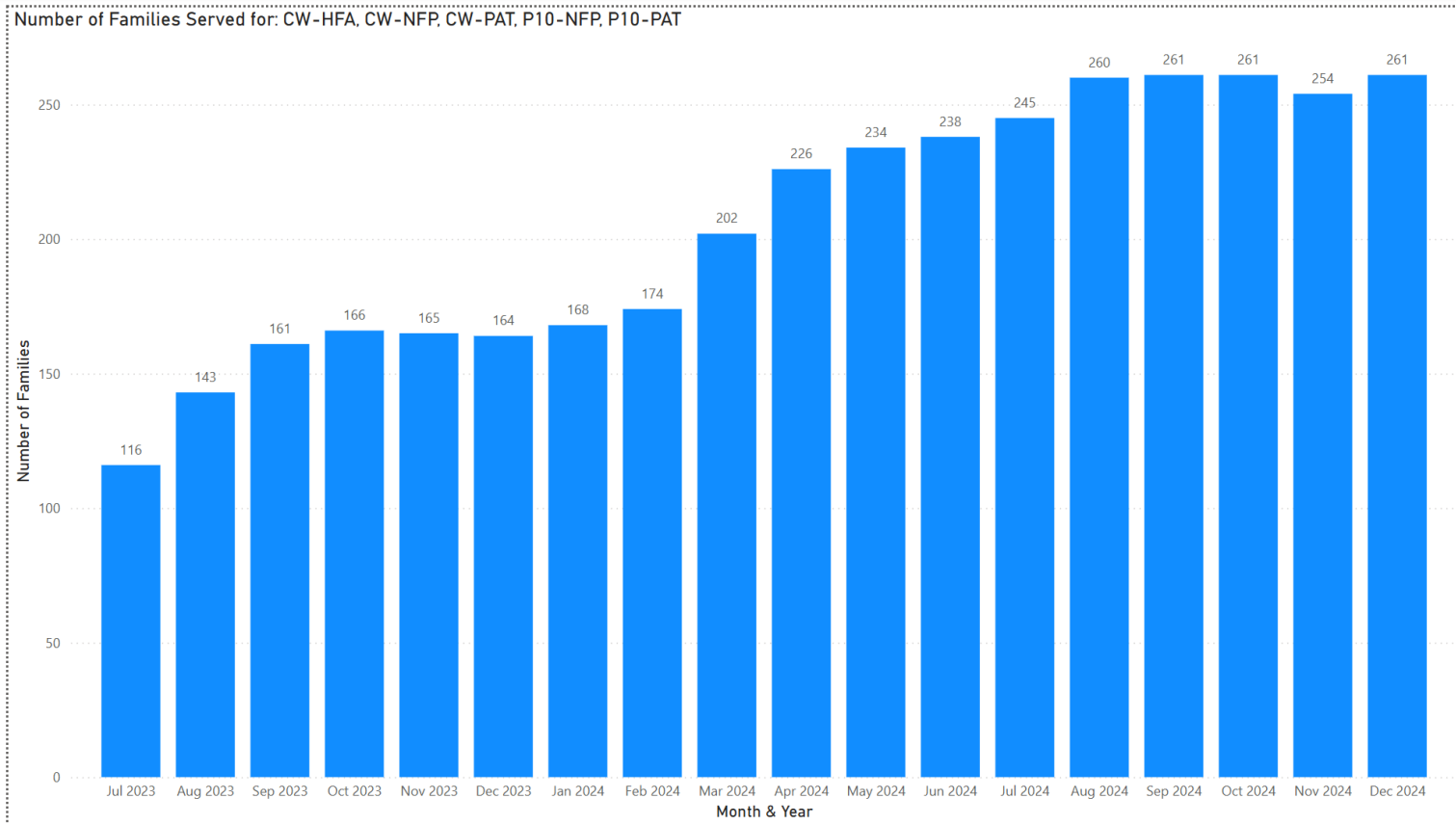
Home Visiting in Riverside County

- Voluntary, evidence-based support for parents through home visits and tele-visits.
- Coaches families on child development, health, and navigating daily challenges
- **Funding streams across county partners:**
 - *F5RC: CalWORKs Home Visiting Program + Prop 10 investments to expand access and sustain services.*
 - *RUHS-PH: Federal MIECHV + California Home Visiting Program (state general fund).*
 - *DPSS: FFPSA/Prevention funds supporting SafeCare model*
- Shared dashboards will provide countywide system level data on reach, retention, and equity of access – guiding future investments, service areas, and performance improvement.

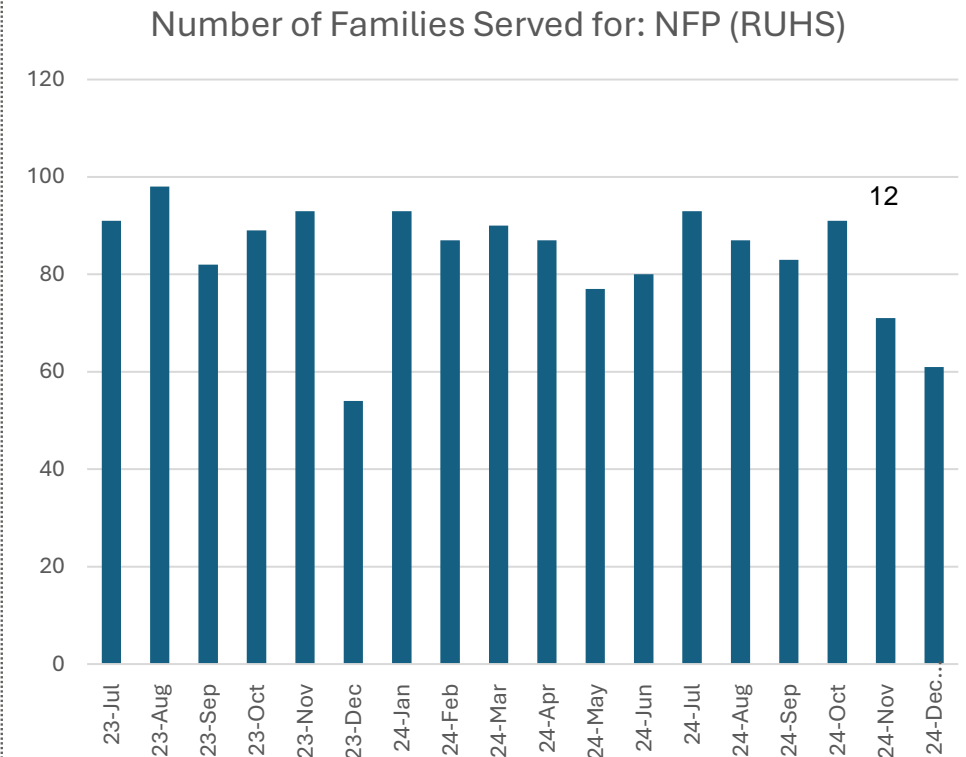
Home Visiting: County-wide Reach

7,000+ home visits delivered in FY 24/25

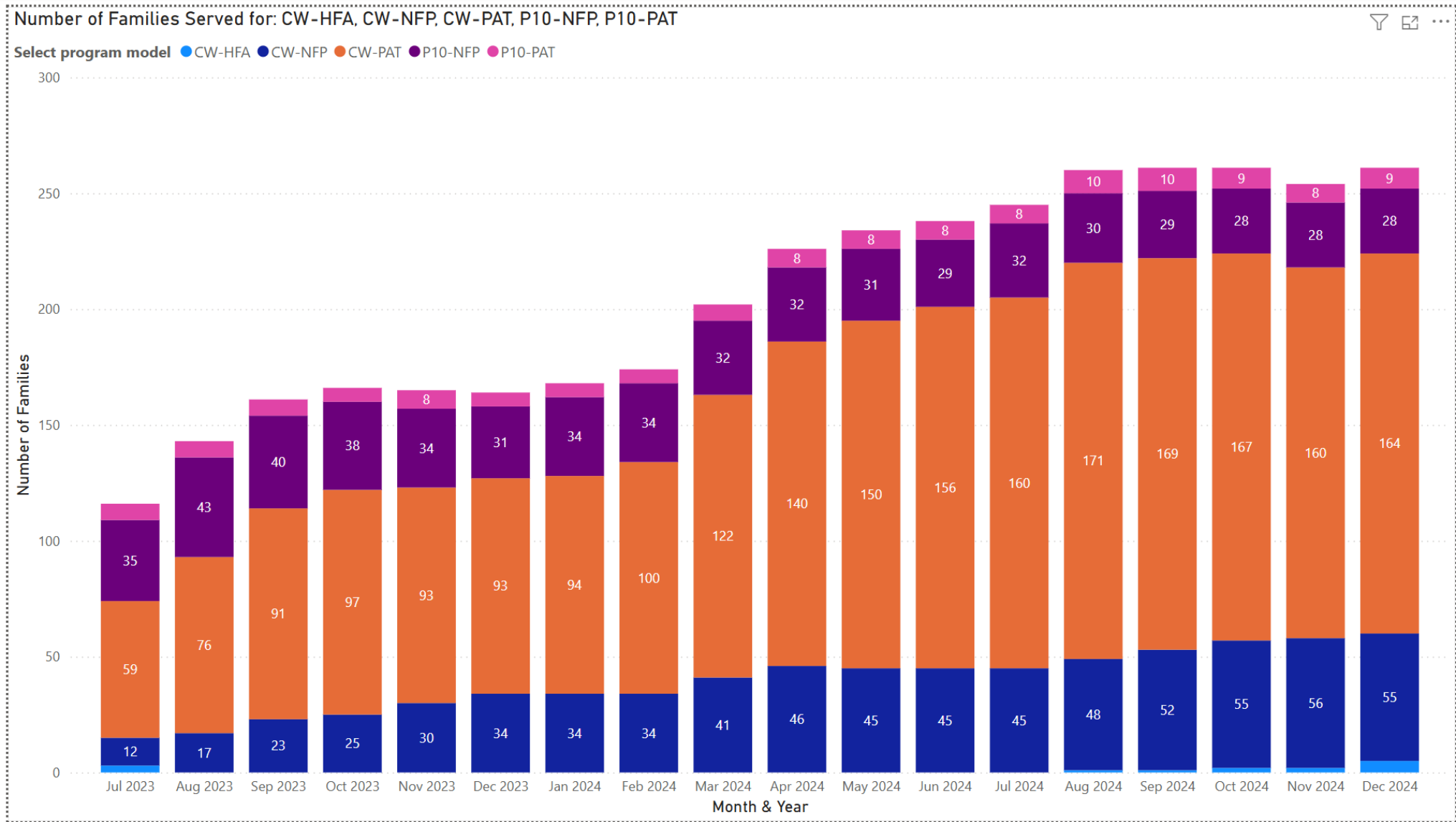
First 5 Programs



RUHS-PH Nurse Family Partnership Program

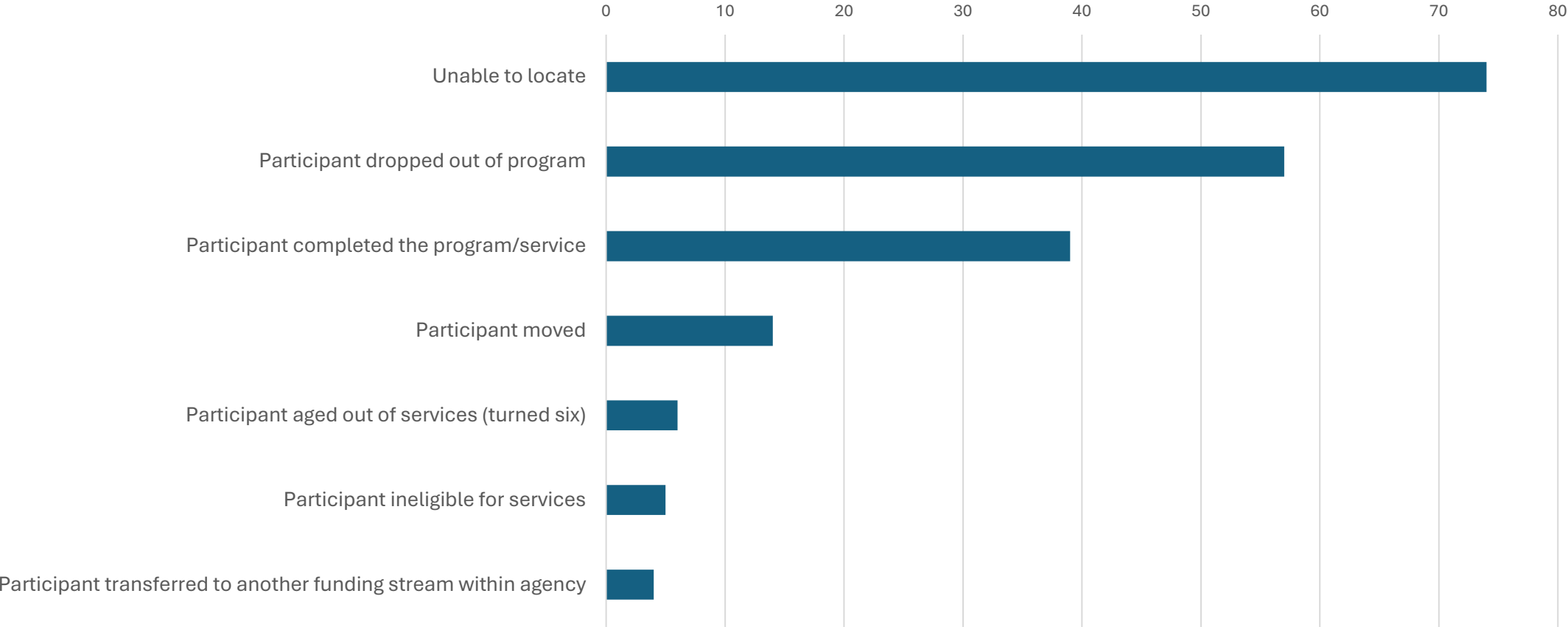


Home Visiting: First 5 Reach by Program Model



Home Visits: First 5 Retention

Participant Exit Reasons from First 5 Home Visit Programs (Jan-Dec 2024)



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Future Data Source

Coachella Valley Community Health Survey



In 2025, HARC mailed flyers to 25,000 randomly selected Coachella Valley households—continuing its triennial tradition of capturing community health insights.

HARC's Community Health Survey provides baseline data to a community about demographic and socioeconomic characteristics, as well as health status and health risks. This provides background information that helps communities identify issues that need more focused attention. HARC's data is often used to:

- Apply for grant-funding
- Develop needed programs and services
- Develop public policy
- Prioritize needs

C.2. First 5 Riverside County Strategic Plan Accomplishments - Charna Widby,
Assistant Director and First 5 Staff

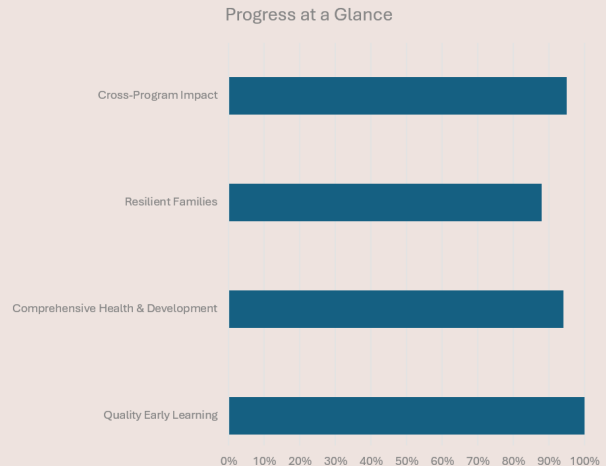
First 5 Riverside County 2023-2025 Strategic Plan Accomplishments

Since 2023, we've measured success not just by services delivered, but by how each investment shifts systems. Our Strategic Plan organizes this into four outcomes:

- ★ Increased Access
- ★ Increased Quality
- ★ Increased Coordination
- ★ Increased Consumer & Community Capacity

The following highlights show how we've advanced these outcomes across Riverside County.

Goal Area	Completed	Total	% Complete
Quality Early Learning	13	13	100%
Comprehensive Health & Development	17	18	94%
Resilient Families	6	7	88%
Cross-Program Impact	18	19	95%



By the Numbers - Impact Highlights

Goal 1 - Quality Early Learning

From “classroom supports” to long-term infrastructure for educators.

- ★ 1,407 RHAP scholarships expanded child care options for families of special populations.
- ★ 153 new infant/toddler child care spaces created.
- ★ \$23M pandemic relief stabilized 3,100+ early childhood education workforce members.
- ★ 3,136 wage enhancement stipends to strengthen workforce retention.

Goal 2 - Comprehensive Health and Development

Scaling integrated care models that link pediatric, behavioral, and public health.

- ★ 21,670 developmental screenings across HealthySteps sites (FY 23/24 & FY 24/25).
 - ★ HMGIE screened 3,294 in FY 23/24. FY 24/25 data not yet available.
 - ★ Note: Some duplication occurs between RUHS and HMGIE counts because screenings are documented in shared systems.
- ★ 485 dental screenings delivered via home visitors.
- ★ 5,657 swim lesson scholarships awarded over two years, provider network expanded from 5 to 11.
- ★ 2,561 CalWORKs HVP visits (FY 23/24); 4,524 (FY 24/25).

Goal 3 - Resilient Families

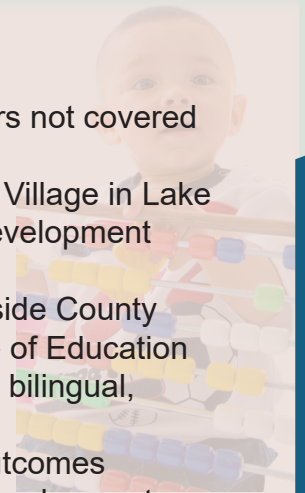
FRCs have become trusted prevention hubs, not just service sites.

- ★ Expanded Family Resource Center network into prevention hubs.
- ★ 13,828 individuals and 2,234 families served since 2023.
- ★ 779+ Whole Person Health Score Assessments conducted.
- ★ Safe-home outcomes: 96% at 6 months; 95% at one year after child welfare case closure.

Goal-by-Goal Progress

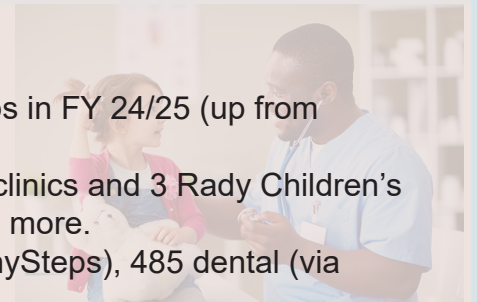
Goal 1 - Quality Early Learning

- ★ Expanded affordable early learning access for infants, toddlers, and preschoolers not covered by subsidies, with rapid enrollment in underserved areas like Blythe.
- ★ Invested Prop 10 and ARPA funds to expand infant/toddler facilities at Lakeland Village in Lake Elsinore, French Valley Child Care Center in Winchester, Jan Peterson Child Development Center in Moreno Valley, and Desert Rose in Ripley.
- ★ Strengthened the professional development system through Quality Start Riverside County (QSRC), First 5 CA/ First 5 RivCo IMPACT Legacy, and Riverside County Office of Education (RCOE) partnerships, linking training to Quality Improvement Plans and offering bilingual, multi-modal delivery.
- ★ Retained early learning workforce through wage enhancement stipends, with outcomes evaluated in partnership with UC Berkeley, Center for the Study of Child Care Employment.
- ★ Promoted parent awareness of quality care selection through resources distributed via RCOE and Family Resource Centers.
- ★ Aligned early learning strategies by convening cross-sector partnerships, including QSRC governance and the Local Planning Council.



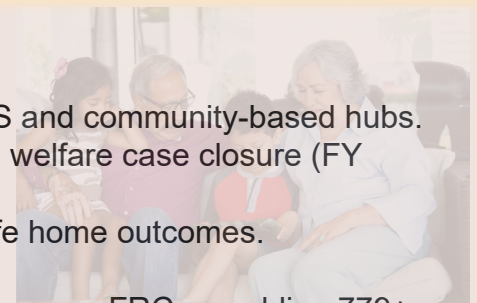
Goal 2 - Comprehensive Health and Development

- ★ Expanded water safety access with 2,762 swim lesson scholarships in FY 24/25 (up from 2,895 in FY 23/24) and grew the provider network from 5 to 11.
- ★ Embedded HealthySteps in 4 Riverside University Health System clinics and 3 Rady Children's Hospital sites; secured Inland Empire Health Plan funding to add 4 more.
- ★ Delivered integrated screenings: 21,670 developmental (via HealthySteps), 485 dental (via home visitors), plus behavioral health and maternal health checks.
- ★ Help Me Grow Inland Empire (HMGIE) screened 3,294 children in FY 23/24; FY 24/25 totals pending. Some duplication occurs with RUHS HealthySteps counts since both systems use EPIC.
- ★ Added specialized Maternal Fetal Medicine capacity through HeRCare—now sustained without First 5 funding.
- ★ Upgraded telehealth infrastructure with 2 ultrasound machines and expanded EPIC workflows.
- ★ Strengthened regional health partnerships with First 5 San Bernardino and Local Dental Pilot Project-Iland Empire; engaged Medi-Cal managed care plans in a shared MOU.



Goal 3 - Resilient Families

- ★ Expanded the Family Resource Center (FRC) network with DPSS and community-based hubs.
 - ★ 96% of children remained safely at home six months after child welfare case closure (FY 22/23–present) - safe home outcomes.
 - ★ 95% remained safely at home one year after case closure - safe home outcomes.
 - ★ 13,828 individuals and 2,234 families served since 2023-7/25.
- ★ Standardized Whole Person Health Score (WPHS) assessments across FRCs, enabling 779+ assessments to track protective factors and system performance.

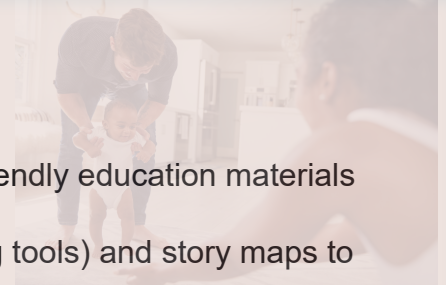


- ★ Linked home visiting referral pathways directly with FRC access points, providing wraparound supports to improve outreach, enrollment, and engagement.
- ★ Advanced policy alignment by embedding family-centered priorities into countywide crisis response and housing stability strategies (through RivCoONE councils, DPSS prevention fund coordination, and integrated referral pathways).
- ★ Strengthened social supports and provider capacity through peer-led parent cafés, embedded FRC Network Specialists, and training 18 FRC staff as Certified Community Health Workers—expanding the reach of the county’s safety net.
- ★ Partnered with RivCoONE to roll out an integrated service model at FRCs, ensuring families experience “no wrong door” access across the county.

Goal 4 - Cross-Program Impact

Goal-by-Goal Progress

- ★ Shared training and resources across platforms, producing family-friendly education materials that broadened reach.
- ★ Improved planning and decision making by integrating GIS (mapping tools) and story maps to visualize service reach and gaps.
- ★ Advocated for sustainability by supporting tobacco regulation and identifying new prevention-focused funding streams.
- ★ Collaborated with RivCoONE, Riverside County’s cross-department prevention initiative, by actively participating in the Operations Council and Strategy Council—helping align early childhood priorities with broader county health and human services.
- ★ Partnered with LEAN systems change experts, Simpler, to develop and implement First 5’s Process Improvement Team.
- ★ Trained 18 FRC staff as Certified Community Health Workers.



Forward Momentum - Next Steps in Systems

- ★ Early Development Index (EDI) – Evaluating the potential application of EDI in Riverside County by reviewing other counties’ models, identifying partnership pathways, and assessing local readiness. No current investment; evaluation stage only.
- ★ HMGIE & HealthySteps – Continuing technical assistance, integration support, and sustainability coaching with the expectation that ongoing operational funding transitions to implementing agencies as First 5 sunsets direct financial support.
- ★ Quality Start Riverside County - Adopting a flexible quality improvement initiative that pivots with evolving funding, builds sustainable provider capacity for quality care, and leverages data to inform policy and stakeholder advocacy.
- ★ Public Health & Early Development Campaigns – Co-developing large-scale, evidence-based campaigns with partners to increase public awareness and drive community engagement.
- ★ Parent–Provider Engagement – Scaling and refining engagement strategies beyond pilots for broader system adoption that focus on building provider capacity to authentically engage families, supporting children’s social and emotional well-being, and promoting the impact of family engagement.
- ★ Integrated Data Alignment – Advancing multi-agency collaboration to align and connect priority data systems through shared frameworks, phased integration points, and agreed-upon use cases.

C.3. First 5 Riverside County Funded Agencies 2025/2026 – 2026/2027 - Tammi
Graham, Executive Director and First 5 Staff

Goal Area - Contracted Agency	Initiative/Project	Goal Area	FY 23/24 Contract Actuals	FY 24/25 Contract Actuals	FY 25/26 Contract Budget	FY23/26 Estimated Total
Countywide Programs						
Inland Southern California United Way, Inc.	Guaranteed Income Program Pilot Match Funds*Sunsets 6/30/26	CW Programs	\$ 675,000.00	\$ 1,265,700.00	\$ 267,900.00	\$ 2,208,600.00
Countywide Programs - Total			\$ 675,000.00	\$ 1,265,700.00	\$ 267,900.00	\$ 2,208,600.00
Quality Early Learning						
Riverside County Office of Education	Riverside Hybrid Alternative Payment Program	QEL	\$ 3,637,985.78	\$ 2,624,651.22	\$ 3,749,863.00	\$ 10,012,500.00
Child Care Facilities ARPA/Prop 10 Investments						
Riverside Temple Beth-El, Inc.	Infrastructure Project	QEL	\$ 34,600.00	\$ 58,766.00	-	\$ 93,366.00 ¹
Bermuda Dunes Learning Center	Infrastructure Project	QEL	\$ 302,267.60	\$ 250,710.62	\$ 22,610.00	\$ 575,588.22
Escuela de la Raza Unida	Infrastructure Project	QEL	\$ 117,005.78	\$ 72,510.78	\$ 20,457.00	\$ 209,973.56
Family Service Association, Inc.	Infrastructure Project	QEL	\$ 46,884.35	\$ 134,181.99	-	\$ 181,066.34
V.I.P Tots Inc.	Infrastructure Project	QEL	\$ 56,139.80	\$ 105,790.90	-	\$ 161,930.70
Lakeland Village	Infrastructure Project	QEL	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,500,000.00	\$ 3,500,000.00
French Valley	Infrastructure Project	QEL	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,000,000.00	\$ 2,000,000.00
Jan Peterson Child Care Center	Infrastructure Project	QEL	\$ 54,641.44	\$ 105,790.90	\$ 1,243,620.36	\$ 1,404,052.70
PROP 10 TOTAL			\$ 611,538.97	\$ 727,751.19	\$ 6,786,687.36	\$ 8,125,977.52
Lakeland Village	ARPA Funds- F5 Allocation D1/D2	QEL	\$ -	\$ 2,000,000.00	-	\$ 2,000,000.00
French Valley	ARPA Funds-F5 Allocation D3	QEL	\$ 1,000,000.00	\$ -	-	\$ 1,000,000.00
Ripley - Desert Rose	ARPA Funds-F5 Allocation D4	QEL	\$ 1,000,000.00	\$ -	-	\$ 1,000,000.00
Jan Peterson Child Care Center	ARPA Funds-F5 Allocation D5	QEL	\$ -	\$ 304,364.08	\$ 695,635.92	\$ 1,000,000.00
ARPA TOTAL			\$ 2,000,000.00	\$ 2,304,364.08	\$ 695,635.92	\$ 5,000,000.00
Quality Early Learning - Total			\$ 6,249,524.75	\$ 5,656,766.49	\$ 11,232,186.28	\$ 23,138,477.52
Comprehensive Health and Development (CHD)						
Riverside University Health System - Medical Center	Maternal Fetal Medicine	CHD	\$ 501,250.00	\$ 385,209.63	\$ 2,958,237.73	\$ 3,844,697.36
Loma Linda University Children's Hospital	Help Me Grow Inland Empire	CHD	\$ 460,050.73	\$ 483,244.03	\$ 500,000.00	\$ 1,443,294.76
Comprehensive Autism Center, A Speech & Pathology Corp.	Early Explorers	CHD	\$ 4,521.02	\$ 6,009.98	-	\$ 10,531.00
American Academy of Pediatrics, Chapter 2	Reach Out and Read	CHD	\$ 180,020.41	\$ 144,265.67	\$ 239,000.00	\$ 563,286.08
Riverside University Health System - Behavioral Health	Early Identification/Early Intervention	CHD	\$ 395,682.96	\$ 216,015.41	\$ 200,000.00	\$ 811,698.37
California Northstate University, LLC	Early Childhood Oral Health Assessment Sustainability	CHD	\$ 95,980.36	\$ 81,407.43	\$ 92,565.00	\$ 269,952.79
Various CHD Investments			\$ 1,637,505.48	\$ 1,316,152.15	\$ 3,989,802.73	\$ 6,943,460.36
DAP Health, Inc.	HealthySteps IEHP Expansion	CHD	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 205,000.00	\$ 205,000.00
Rady Children's Hospital San Diego	HealthySteps Implementation & Sustainability	CHD	\$ 927,981.05	\$ 844,476.35	\$ 902,137.00	\$ 2,674,594.40
Rady Children's Hospital San Diego	Healthy Steps IEHP Expansion	CHD	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 410,000.00	\$ 410,000.00
Riv University Health System - Community Health Ctrs	HealthySteps Sustainability II	CHD	\$ 413,446.01	\$ 751,911.25	\$ 841,756.00	\$ 2,007,113.26
HealthySteps Investments			\$ 1,341,427.06	\$ 1,596,387.60	\$ 2,358,893.00	\$ 5,296,707.66

FY 2023/2024 to FY 2025/2026 INVESTMENTS

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Quality Early Learning - Total	\$ 6,249,524.75	\$ 5,656,766.49	\$ 11,232,186.28	\$ 23,138,477.52
Comprehensive Health and Development (CHD) - Total	\$ 6,653,243.01	\$ 7,764,062.86	\$ 11,851,802.42	\$ 26,269,108.29
Resilient Families - Total	\$ 707,388.48	\$ 746,275.69	\$ 900,000.00	\$ 2,353,664.17
Contracts Expired - Total	\$ 373,745.45	\$ 84,578.28	-	\$ 458,323.73 ²³
ESTIMATED GRAND TOTAL FY 23/26 INVESTMENTS	\$ 14,658,901.69	\$ 15,517,383.32	\$ 24,251,888.70	\$ 54,428,173.71

- D. **Commission and Advisory Committee Business – Jose Campos, Vice Chair**
 - D.1. Commissioner Comments
- E. **Consent Items – Jose Campos, Vice Chair** (A copy of all action items and attachments can be viewed at www.rccfc.org and at the Commission Business Office)
 - E.1. Approve First 5 Riverside County Draft Commission Meeting Minutes - July 9, 2025 Session



**MINUTES
FIRST 5 RIVERSIDE COUNTY
Commission Regular Meeting
Wednesday, July 9, 2025
2:00 PM**

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585 Technology Ct
Riverside, California 92507

Commissioners Present: Supervisor Chuck Washington, Jose Campos, Charity Douglas, Elizabeth Romero, and Zachary Ginder

Commissioners Absent: Kimberly Saruwatari, Takashi Wada, and Edwin Gomez

Commissioners Vacancy: District V

Administrative Staff Present: Tammi Graham, Executive Director; Charna Widby, Assistant Director; Michael Knight, Assistant Director; Patricia Perez, Deputy Director; Lynn Stephens, Executive Assistant IV; Carol Abella, Regional Manager; Larissa Wills, Regional Manager; Charity Webb, Regional Manager; Sean Pravica, Senior Public Information Specialist; Martina Guevara, Commission Coordinator; Victor Lopez, Business Process Analyst II; Luis Garcia, Business Process Analyst II; Michael Avalos, Support Services Technician

Legal Counsel: Kristine Bell-Valdez, Supervising Deputy County Counsel

A. Call to Order – Supervisor Chuck Washington, Chair

1. Pledge of Allegiance – Led by Vice Chair Campos
2. Roll Call – Conducted by Lynn Stephens, Executive Assistant IV

B. Public Comments (for items not listed on the agenda) – Supervisor Chuck Washington, Chair

None

C. Commission and Advisory Committee Business – Supervisor Chuck Washington, Chair

1. Director's Report – Tammi Graham, Executive Director; Charna Widby, Assistant Director; Michael Knight, Assistant Director; Patricia Perez, Deputy Director

Presented by Tammi Graham

- 25th Anniversary Updates
- Presentation of Illustrated Recognition

Ms. Stephens presented framed illustrations to Chair Washington and Vice Chair Campos, capturing key points from the messages delivered by them as featured speakers during the 25th Anniversary Celebration. A framed copy was also provided to Ms. Graham in recognition of her leadership.

Presented by Charna Widby

- 2027 Strategic Plan Update

Presented by Tammi Graham

- Recognition of JoAnne Lauer's Leadership and Retirement

2. Public Information Report – Sean Pravica, Senior Public Information Specialist

Presented by Sean Pravica

- Congratulations were extended to Michelle Rodriguez, Public Information Specialist, on the birth of her baby boy.
- PIO Meeting: Media Advisory

Chair Washington requested that staff follow up with Fire Chief Bernard Molloy of Murrieta, a potential partner for promoting water safety/drowning prevention scholarships. Additionally, staff were asked to provide him with an overview of First 5 services and the RivCo One integrated services efforts. Ms. Widby confirmed she will take the lead on this request. (Commissioner Romero arrived at 2:18 p.m.)

3. Commissioner Comments

Commissioner Douglas expressed appreciation for the staff's work on drowning prevention and highlighted the partnership with the Department of Public Social Services (DPSS). Commissioner Douglas acknowledged Ms. Widby for her partnership and contributions, which have led to increased referrals. Chair Washington noted that Supervisors receive emails when drownings occur.

Commissioner Ginder commended staff for effectively promoting funded programs, and he recognized the success of First 5 Riverside County's 25th Anniversary Celebration.

Vice Chair Campos concurred with Commissioner Ginder and congratulated staff who received their Community Health Worker (CHW) certifications. Vice Chair Campos encouraged continued collaboration to enhance family services and expressed gratitude to the leadership of First 5 Riverside County and First 5 California (F5CA) on the ongoing policy work. Vice Chair Campos further noted that Jurupa Unified School District is part of Cohort 1 of the Children Youth, and Health Initiative, which supports the sustainability of clinical and counseling services.

D. **Presentation/Information Item – Supervisor Chuck Washington, Chair** (A copy of all presentation items and attachments can be viewed at www.rccfc.org and at the Commission Business Office)

1. Presentation of Champion for Children Award, Angela Muñoz, Director, Outreach & Education, JFK Memorial Foundation - Sean Pravica, Senior Public Information Specialist

Presented by Sean Pravica

- Honoring Champion for Children Nominees
- Honoring 2025 Champion for Children, Angela Muñoz
-Ms. Muñoz provided brief comments

2. Riverside County Office of Education (RCOE) Presentation - UPK - Mixed Delivery System Update, Including Introduction of Assistant Superintendent Kathy King - Jennifer Beggs, Executive Director, Early Care Education

Ms. Beggs introduced the newly appointed Assistant Superintendent, Kathy King. Ms. Beggs provided an informational presentation on the Universal Pre-Kindergarten (UPK) Mixed Delivery System work happening in Riverside County.

3. Inland Empire Children's Cabinet Presentation - Susan Gomez, Chief Executive Officer, and Brian Romo, Director of Policy and Project Lead, Inland Empire Community Collaborative (IECC)

Ms. Gomez and Mr. Romo highlighted key areas of the presentation.

Commissioner Douglas inquired about where to access information at upcoming meetings and asked what specific actions the Commission can take to advance the work. Mr. Romo responded to Commissioner Douglas's question by recommending that she visit the IECC website for information on upcoming meetings. He also noted that Commissioners can be added to a distribution mailing list to receive notifications about IECC activities.

Ms. Gomez responded to Commissioner Douglas's second question by emphasizing the greater need is for the coordination of services and the development of networks and coalitions that speak to issues of injustice. She stated that IECC welcomes engagement from committees and individuals who would like to support the efforts moving forward.

Commissioner Ginder acknowledged his appreciation of the work being done in the community. Ms. Gomez noted that the following cities being prioritized are San Jacinto and Riverside.

Commissioner Romero inquired about policy efforts and recommended providing training for local elected officials on effective engagement of policy strategies.

Ms. Gomez responded that she serves as the Chair of the Inland Empire Vital Conditions Network. The network focuses on supporting providers and elected officials to build their civic muscle. The Funders Alliance is funding a Civic Engagement Pool Plan designed to help both non-profit and for-profit organizations build their civic capacity. Mr. Romo added that outreach efforts are underway with the City of Adelanto's Supervisors and elected officials to encourage their engagement in these efforts. Assemblymember Dr. Corey Jackson is also a supporter of the efforts.

Chair Washington asked whether the Youth Advisory Council, which is comprised of high school juniors and seniors, would be an appropriate group to engage with IECC. Ms. Gomez concurred.

E. Presentations/Action Items – Supervisor Chuck Washington, Chair

1. **25-26:** Approve Funding Stability for Home Visiting Provider Contracts for FY 2024-2026 [**\$1,056,842 - PROP 10 FUNDS**] - Charna Widby, Assistant Director

Chair Washington noted a conflict of interest for Vice Chair Campos due to his role as Director of Jurupa Unified School District.

Ms. Bell-Valdez confirmed that the five members present constituted a quorum for the meeting. She noted that, although Vice Chair Campos would typically recuse himself from the discussion and vote, action item 25-26 had already been continued from the May Commission meeting due to a lack of quorum. To avoid further delay and potential service lapses, she explained the Rule of Necessity could permit his participation. Vice Chair Campos ultimately opted to abstain from the vote.

Ms. Widby provided an overview of the request before the Commission.

Ms. Graham added that the request would allocate “safety dollars” to allow First 5 to administer additional funding for agencies to provide referrals and enroll families as needed, with quarterly updates to be provided to the Commission.

*Commissioner Romero moved to approve action item 25-26 as presented. Commissioner Ginder seconded the motion. **Motion carried.***

Abstain: Vice Chair Campos (conflict of interest).

Absent: Commissioner Saruwatari, Commissioner Wada, and Commissioner Gomez.

F. Consent Items – Supervisor Chuck Washington, Chair (A copy of all action items and attachments can be viewed at www.rccfc.org and at the Commission Business Office)

1. Approve First 5 Riverside County Draft Commission Meeting Minutes - May 14, 2025 Session
2. **25-27:** Approve First Amendment with Riverside University Health System - Public Health for Shared Staffing from July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2026 (**MOU NO. HSARC-25-007**) [**\$481,565 - PROP 10 FUNDS**]
3. **25-28:** Approve and Ratify Contract with Riverside University Health System - Community Health Centers to Support HealthySteps Sustainability from July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026 (**CONTRACT NO. CF25144**) [**\$841,756 - PROP 10 FUNDS**]
4. **25-29:** Approve Contract with Imagine Los Angeles, Inc. for Benefit Navigator Pilot from July 9, 2025 – June 30, 2026 (**CONTRACT NO. CF25145**) [**\$144,650 PROP 10 FUNDS**]
5. **25-30:** Approve Contract with Health Management Associates, Inc. for Technical Assistance from July 9, 2025 – June 30, 2026 (**CONTRACT NO. CF25143**) [**\$150,000 - PROP 10 FUNDS**]
6. **25-31:** Approve and Ratify Contract and Terms with Loma Linda University Children's Hospital for Help Me Grow Inland Empire from July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026 (**CONTRACT NO. CF25146**) [**\$500,000 - PROP 10 FUNDS**]
7. **25-32:** Authorize Release of Request for Proposal for a Comprehensive Child Care Needs Assessment [**\$250,000 - PROP 10 FUNDS**]

8. **25-33:** Approve Contract with Inland Empire Community Collaborative, Inc. for the Inland Empire Children's Cabinet Project from July 9, 2025 – June 30, 2026 (**CONTRACT NO. CF25133**) [**\$170,000 - PROP 10 FUNDS**]

*Vice Chair Campos moved to approve consent items 1-8 as presented. Commissioner Ginder seconded the motion. **Motion carried unanimously.***

Absent: Commissioner Saruwatari, Commissioner Wada, and Commissioner Gomez.

G. Future Agenda Items:

1. Strategic Plan Accomplishments
2. Home Visiting Epidemiologist Presentation
3. First 5 Annual Audit FY 24/25 and Public Hearing
4. First 5 Annual Report FY 24/25 and Public Hearing

- H. **Adjournment:** Adjournment at 3:17 p.m. to the next Regular Meeting of the Riverside County Children and Families Commission to be held on September 10, 2025 beginning at 2:00 p.m. at: First 5 Riverside County Children and Families Commission Office 585 Technology Court - Conference Room A Riverside, CA 92507

Meeting Minutes Recorded by Lynn M. Stephens, Executive Assistant IV.

E.2.Approve First 5 Riverside County Commission 2026 Meeting Schedule



FIRST 5
Riverside County
 Children & Families Commission

Commission Members	Advisory Committee Members	Commission Administrative Staff
Chuck Washington County Supervisor, Dist. III (Chair) Jose Medina Supervisor Alternate, Dist. I	Kari Middleton-Hendrix, Dist. IV (Chair)	Tammi Graham, Executive Director
Jose Campos, Dist. II (Vice Chair)	Malinda Margiotta, Dist. III (Vice Chair)	Charna Widby, Assistant Director
Zachary Ginder, PsyD, MSW, Dist. I	Jiles Smith, Dist. I	Michael Knight, Assistant Director
Edwin Gomez, Ed.D., Ord. 784.11	Antonia Eli Mast, Dist. II	Patricia Perez, Deputy Director
Kimberly Saruwatari, Ord.784.11	Agam Patel, Dist. IV	Lynn Stephens, Executive Assistant IV
Charity Douglas, Ord. 784.11	Saovaros Diehl-Hope, Dist. V	Martina Guevara, Commission Coordinator
Takashi Wada, MD, MPH, Dist. III	Angel Anton, Dist. III	Kristine Bell-Valdez, Supervising Deputy County Counsel
Elizabeth Romero, Dist. IV	Helena Lopez, Dist. V	
VACANT, Dist. V	VACANCIES: Dist. I and II	

The CFC meets regularly on the 2nd Wednesday as scheduled below except for January meeting which is held on the 3rd Wednesday of the month and October meeting which is held on the 4th Wednesday of the month. The open session of the Board meeting shall begin at 2:00 p.m. unless changed by consent of a quorum of the Commission Members. Meetings are being held at First 5 Riverside County Children & Families Commission located at 585 Technology Court in Riverside. Any "Special" meetings of the CFC are noticed in advance in accordance with the Brown Act. Closed Sessions will be scheduled as needed. Meeting dates may be modified as needed.

Schedule of Commission Meetings 2026

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- Wednesday, **Jan 21, 2026 (3rd Wednesday)** First 5 Riverside County
 - Wednesday, **March 11, 2026** First 5 Riverside County
 - Wednesday, **May 13, 2026** First 5 Riverside County
 - Wednesday, **July 08, 2026** First 5 Riverside County
 - Wednesday, **September 09, 2026** First 5 Riverside County
 - Wednesday, **October 28, 2026 (4th Wednesday)** First 5 Riverside County

E.3.**25-34**: Approve and Adopt the Revised Fiscal Year 2025/2026 Annual Budget and Vendor List of First 5 Riverside County Children and Families Commission - Patricia Perez, Deputy Director



AGENDA ITEM: 25-34

DATE OF MEETING: September 10, 2025

ACTION:

INFORMATION:

**APPROVE AND ADOPT THE REVISED
FISCAL YEAR 2025/2026 ANNUAL BUDGET AND VENDOR LIST OF
FIRST 5 RIVERSIDE COUNTY CHILDREN & FAMILIES COMMISSION**

SUMMARY OF REQUEST

Approve and adopt the revised FY 2025/2026 vendor list and the revised annual budget, recognizing adjustments to revenue and expenditures of unspent ARPA funds (25820) to complete construction of the Jan Peterson Child Day Care Center facility expansion project.

BACKGROUND

On May 14, 2025 (Action Item 25-25), the Commission approved the FY 2025/2026 annual budget and vendor list, which reflected an estimate of \$26,724,752 in revenues, inclusive of the \$250,000 ARPA fund (25820) revenues and \$31,656,754 total expenditures, inclusive of \$250,000 APRA fund (25820) expenditures.

On July 10, 2024 (Action Item 24-22), the Commission approved a \$1,000,000 ARPA fund increase to Contract No. CF21113 with Jan Peterson Child Day Care Center, Inc., bringing the total to \$2,405,650 to address increased construction costs.

As of the end of FY 2024/2025, all ARPA ECE Recovery Fund Wage Enhancement payments have been completed, and \$695,636 remains allocated for infrastructure expansion at the Jan Peterson Child Day Care Center.

BUDGET ADJUSTMENT SUMMARY

- Revenue and Expenditure Adjustments A net increase of \$445,636 in unexpended ARPA funds carried over from the prior fiscal year is allocated for infrastructure expansion for the child care facility project in the current fiscal year.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

That the Commission:

1. Approve the revised FY 2025/2026 ARPA (25820) budget as proposed.
2. Authorize the Executive Director or Designee to:
 - a. Expend funds for the line items specified by a specific vendor under the Operational Expense section of this budget. Requests for purchases at or above the \$50,000 authority limit associated with these items are estimated below. Office reconfiguration projects will be commissioned from either vendor and will not exceed the total amount; and

Table A. Cumulative Vendor List

Cumulative Vendor – Description	Total
Action Item – 25-25	
First 5 Association – Membership Dues & Policy Fund	\$50,000
Total Plan and/or GM Business Interiors – Office Reconfigurations/Furniture	\$165,000
Absolute Security – Mecca FRC Security Guard Services	\$85,000
US Bank – County Credit Card and Travel Program Bank	\$100,000
Social Solutions Global, Inc. – A360 Licenses	\$100,000
Taborda Solutions, Inc. – Salesforce Licenses	\$123,234
Action Item – 25-XX	
SA Partners – Shingo Professional Training	\$60,000
Raising a Reader National – Early Literacy Affiliate Sites	\$75,000

3. Authorize the Executive Director or Designee to:
 - a. Expend funds for internal service fees, countywide cost allocation plan, and inter-departmental administrative and operational costs as set forth in the attached budget and per the Commission approved Contract and Procurement Policy (January 22, 2025).
 - b. Accept or reject interdepartmental transfers (journal entries) for ISF and county operational costs.

APPROP 2 – ISF & County Operational Costs 52xxx	\$1,369,524
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- c. Execute documents, contracts, and amendments, including coordination of appropriate actions to expend funds in accordance with established Commission policy and as set forth in the attached budget.

ATTACHMENTS

1. FY 2025/2026 Revised Budget Summary ARPA Fund 25820
2. FY 2025/2026 Cumulative Vendor List

Riverside County Children & Families Commission
FY 2025/2026
 First 5 Riverside County Revised Budget Summary

938001-25820 (ARPA Fund)

DESCRIPTION	ACCOUNT	ORIGINAL FY 25/26 BUDGET	ADJUSTMENTS	REVISED FY25/26 BUDGET
REVENUE				
Fed-American Rescue Plan Act	763520	250,000	445,636	695,636
TOTAL REVENUE		\$ 250,000	\$ 445,636	\$ 695,636
Contracts	527980	250,000	445,636	695,636
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		\$ 250,000	\$ 445,636	\$ 695,636
VARIANCE		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -



FY 2025/2026 Cumulative Vendor List

Agenda Item E
 Consent Item 3
 25-34: Attachment 2

	Vendor	Description	Action Item #	Commission Meeting Date	Approval by	Total
1	First 5 Association of California	Membership	25-25	05/14/25	Commission	\$ 50,000
2	Totalplan and/or GM Business Interiors	Office Reconfigurations	25-25	05/14/25	Commission	\$ 165,000
3	Absolute Security	Mecca FRC Security Guard Services	25-25	05/14/25	Commission	\$ 85,000
4	US Bank	County Credit Card and Travel Program Bank	25-25	05/14/25	Commission	\$ 100,000
5	Social Solutions Global, Inc.	A360 Licenses	25-25	05/14/25	Commission	\$ 100,000
6	Taborda Solutions, Inc.	Salesforce Licenses	25-25	05/14/25	Commission	\$ 123,234
7	SA Partners	Shingo Professional Training	25-34	09/10/25	Pending - Commission	\$ 60,000
8	Raising a Reader National	Early Literacy Affiliate Sites	25-34	09/10/25	Pending - Commission	\$ 75,000

- F. **Presentations/Action Items – Jose Campos, Vice Chair** (A copy of all presentations/action items and attachments can be viewed at www.rccfc.org and at the Commission Business Office)
- F.1. **25-35: Approve and Ratify Amended Revenue Agreement with Riverside County Office of Education (RCOE) for Quality Start Riverside County (QSRC) Collaborative Support Services from July 1, 2023–June 30, 2026 (AGREEMENT NO. C1009211 MOD 2) [\$340,000 RCOE STATE FUNDS]** - Charna Widby, Assistant Director



AGENDA ITEM: 25-35
DATE OF MEETING: September 10, 2025
ACTION:
INFORMATION:

**APPROVE AND RATIFY AMENDED REVENUE AGREEMENT WITH
RIVERSIDE COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION (RCOE)
FOR QUALITY START RIVERSIDE COUNTY (QSRC)
COLLABORATIVE SUPPORT SERVICES
FROM JULY 1, 2023 - JUNE 30, 2026 (AGREEMENT NO. C1009211 MOD 2)
[\$340,000 – RCOE STATE FUNDS]**

SUMMARY OF REQUEST

Approve and ratify Amended Agreement No. C1009211 MOD 2 with Riverside County Office of Education (RCOE) for an increased amount from \$150,000 to \$340,000 in revenue funds to support the provision of Quality Start Riverside County (QSRC) collaborative support services and the provision of office space at the Mecca Family Resource Center effective July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2026.

BACKGROUND

First 5 Riverside County and Riverside County Office of Education (RCOE) formed a partnership to build and implement Quality Start Riverside County (QSRC) in 2015 through First 5 IMPACT (Improve and Maximize Programs so All Children Thrive) and Quality Counts California Local Consortia and Partnership Grants (QCC). This collaboration continues to align countywide quality improvement infrastructures that support early learning providers.

This amendment increases revenue funding from \$150,000 to \$340,000, extends the agreement through June 30, 2026, and adds a comprehensive countywide child care needs assessment to address gaps in supply, unmet demand, and barriers to access. Additional funds will also support First 5 Riverside County staff to manage the data system for QSRC-related activities, develop communication materials for stakeholder engagement, maintain contracted consulting services for the QSRC strategic plan, and provide office space for RCOE staff at the Mecca Family Resource Center.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

That the Commission:

1. Approve Agreement No. C1009211 MOD 2 with Riverside County Office of Education for an amount not to exceed \$340,000 in revenue for July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2026, and authorize the Executive Director or Designee to sign the revenue agreement on behalf of the Commission, subject to County Counsel approval as to form; and
2. Authorize the Executive Director or designee, based on the availability of funding and subject to County Counsel approval as to form, to sign amendments that exercise the options of Agreement No. C1009211 MOD 2 on behalf of the Commission, including modifications of the statement of work and/or budget that stay within the intent of said contract and not to exceed amount without requiring further action from the Commission.

BUDGET IMPACT

Acceptance of additional revenue will be recognized through a formal budget adjustment with the Auditor-Controller after Commission approval and receipt of the fully executed agreement. (938001-25800-92950-781480).

STRATEGIC PLAN RELEVANCE

Goal Area 1 – Quality Early Learning (92950)

POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Commissioner Edwin Gomez, Ed. D, Superintendent, Riverside County Office of Education.

Commissioner Elizabeth Romero, Riverside County Office of Education Board Member.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Draft C1009211 MOD 2

RIVERSIDE COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

3939 Thirteenth Street
Riverside, CA 92501

**MODIFICATION
Early Care and Education**

This is modification number **two (2)** to Agreement Number C1009211, by and between **Riverside County Superintendent of Schools**, hereinafter referred to as “SUPERINTENDENT”, and **Riverside County Children and Families Commission**, hereinafter referred to as “CONTRACTOR”, for **coaching assessment and system development support**.

This Agreement is modified in accordance with the modification clause.

1. Effective upon signing, extend the term of this Agreement through **June 30, 2026**.
2. Modify Section 2, SERVICES section 4 as follows:
 - Provide office spaces, including security, at CONTRACTOR’S (First 5 Riverside County) Family Resource Center in Mecca, California.
3. Add the following paragraph:
 - In collaboration with the SUPERINTENDENT, maintain contracted services for a comprehensive Child Needs Assessment of Riverside County to address gaps in countywide data on child supply, unmet demand, and barriers to access.
4. Increase in the amount of **\$190,000.00**, for fiscal year 2025-2026

All other terms and conditions of this Agreement shall remain the same.

- This modification represents an increase in the amount of: **\$190,000.00**
- The total amount of this Agreement, including this change: **\$340,000.00**
- CONTRACTOR’S signature is required on this modification.

**Riverside County Superintendent of Schools
3939 Thirteenth Street
Riverside, CA 92501**

**Riverside County Children and Families Commission
585 Technology Court, Suite A
Riverside, CA 92507**

Authorized Signature

Kathy King, Assistant Superintendent
Division of Early Education Services

Printed Name and Title

Authorized Signature

Tammi Graham, Executive Director

Printed Name and Title

Date _____

40 Date _____

F.2. **25-36:** Authorize Partnership Agreement with Riverside County Department of Public Social Services (DPSS) to Enhance Visitation Rooms into Child-Friendly Environments with "Imagination Stations" **[\$250,000 - PROP 10 FUNDS]** - Charna Widby, Assistant Director



AGENDA ITEM: 25-36

DATE OF MEETING: September 10, 2025

ACTION:

INFORMATION:

**AUTHORIZE PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT WITH RIVERSIDE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES (DPSS) TO ENHANCE VISITATION ROOMS INTO CHILD-FRIENDLY ENVIRONMENTS WITH "IMAGINATION STATIONS"
[\$250,000 - PROP 10 FUNDS]**

SUMMARY OF REQUEST

Authorize a Partnership Agreement with Riverside County Department of Public Social Services (DPSS) to enhance infant and toddler visitation rooms at eight sites into child-friendly environments with "Imagination Stations," interactive, developmentally appropriate features designed to foster comfort, engagement, and connection between children and their caregivers. First 5 Riverside County's funding will be limited to an amount not to exceed \$250,000, with the understanding that this contribution may be reduced if additional funding is secured for these sites.

BACKGROUND

First 5 Riverside County Children & Families Commission and the Riverside County Department of Public Social Services (DPSS) share a commitment to creating safe, supportive, and welcoming environments for children and families. While many DPSS visitation rooms are being refreshed, some still have minimal child-centered features and limited resources to engage children in meaningful, relationship-building ways.

In 2024, First 5 Riverside County piloted enhancements at the Hemet DPSS location, installing interactive wall panels, developmentally appropriate furniture, and a curated selection of books and toys. The result was a space that encouraged comfort, engagement, and emotional connection during visits, with positive feedback from both staff and families.

With DPSS now undertaking a countywide renovation of visitation rooms, this is a timely opportunity to layer in First 5 Riverside County's investment to go beyond standard updates—adding interactive features, age-appropriate furnishings, and intentional design elements that actively support child development and strengthen family bonds. This collaboration will focus on the following locations: Indio, Blythe, Banning, Market Street

(Riverside), Perris, and Temecula. Lake Elsinore and La Sierra sites will be fully funded through a separate \$300,000 allocation from the Board of Supervisors (District 2), allowing First 5's investment to focus on the remaining six sites and complementary enhancements. If additional funding is contributed by other District Supervisors for sites within this project scope, First 5 Riverside County's contribution will be proportionally reduced to reflect the new funding landscape. This ensures that Prop 10 funds are maximized and leveraged alongside other County investments, while maintaining focus on sites and enhancements not otherwise covered by Board allocations.

The Partnership Agreement will outline roles, timelines, design standards, installation logistics, and maintenance procedures, ensuring these upgraded spaces remain safe, welcoming, and developmentally rich environments for children and families across Riverside County.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

That the Commission:

1. Authorize the Executive Director or designee to develop and negotiate a Partnership Agreement with Riverside County DPSS for the enhancement of visitation rooms in an amount not to exceed \$250,000.
2. Authorize the Executive Director or designee, based on the availability of funding and subject to County Counsel approval as to form, to sign amendments that modify the Scope of Work and/or reporting requirements within the scope and intent of the original Partnership Agreement, without requiring further action from the Commission.

BUDGET IMPACT

Adequate appropriation has been included in the approved FY 25/26 budget to support funding for this initiative.

STRATEGIC PLAN RELEVANCE

Goal 3: Resilient Families

POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Commissioner Charity Douglas, Riverside County Department of Social Services Director.

ATTACHMENTS

None

F.3. **25-37**: Approve Contract Extensions for Family Resource Network Agencies and Authorize New Resource Specialist Contracts from September 15, 2025–June 30, 2027 **[Not to Exceed \$1,000,000 PROP 10 FUNDS]** - Michael Knight, Assistant Director



AGENDA ITEM: 25-37

DATE OF MEETING: September 10, 2025

ACTION:

INFORMATION:

**APPROVE CONTRACT EXTENSIONS FOR FAMILY RESOURCE NETWORK AGENCIES
AND AUTHORIZE NEW RESOURCE SPECIALIST CONTRACTS
FROM SEPTEMBER 15, 2025- JUNE 30, 2027
[NOT TO EXCEED \$1,000,000 - PROP 10 FUNDS]**

SUMMARY OF REQUEST

Approve extension of up to eight (8) existing contracts and two (2) additional contracts for Family Resource Center (FRC) Network Specialist positions for one year, with each agency receiving level funding of \$100,000. This transition year will maintain service continuity while advancing First 5 Riverside County's integration with countywide service strategies and development of the 2027–2029 Strategic Plan.

The extensions will enable full implementation of a coordinated, end-to-end service model incorporating the Whole Person Health Score (WPHS) and provide time for agencies to complete Community Health Worker (CHW) certification. These steps will strengthen program sustainability, open new funding opportunities, and position agencies for success in the 2027 competitive procurement. Agencies not interested in advancing the scope of work to include RivCo Connect will sunset June 30, 2026.

BACKGROUND

The expansion of the FRC Network has been essential to Riverside County's Home Visiting and Community-Based Organization Hubs since FY21/22 and FY23/24, respectively. First 5-funded Network Specialists are critical for connecting families in high-need communities with services that address health, social support, and overall family well-being.

- **Need for Extension and Expansion:** Continued one-year funding is requested to integrate First 5-funded agencies into countywide service integration strategies, strengthening referral pathways to County services while ensuring program stability

and seamless service delivery. The eligible agencies have established deep community relationships and are embedded within the populations they serve. This approach provides the time needed to complete the 2027–2029 Strategic Plan.

- **Expertise in Emergency Response Plans for Families with Young Children:** Two additional contracts will designate Network Specialists with expertise in emergency response planning for families with young children in coordination with the First 5 FRCs and the FRC Network.
- **Whole Person Health Score (WPHS):** The Family Resource Network Specialists will utilize the County’s RivCo Connect tool to administer the WPHS and referral system. The integration of the end-to-end process will strengthen data-driven decision-making and enable a more coordinated approach to family health and social services.
- **Funding and Fiscal Compliance:** The additional \$100,000 per contract will primarily fund the Network Specialist positions. All Prop 10 funds will be tracked through project codes to ensure compliance with fiscal policies, and agencies will be required to participate in annual contract monitoring.
- **Sustainability and CHW Certification:** As part of this contract, Network Specialists will be supported to pursue certification as Community Health Workers (CHWs). By aligning CHW-certified roles with RivCo Connect integration, First 5 Riverside County is not just maintaining services — it is building a bridge to sustainable funding beyond Prop 10, positioning agencies to draw down Medi-Cal Enhanced Care Management dollars, compete for targeted Office of Child Abuse Prevention (OCAP) grants, and attract philanthropic or district-level investments that will anchor Riverside County’s prevention infrastructure for the long term.

Commission Actions

On March 12, 2025 (Action Item 25-09), the Commission approved the revised Riverside County Children and Families Commission Investment of Funds contract template and the inclusion of the Whole Person Health Score Assessment Master Agreement (MA) with the corresponding Remote Access user Agreement (RAA).

On January 25, 2023 (Action Item 23-09), the Commission approved contracts for the Family Resource Center Network Expansion. These agreements supported high-need and unserved areas of the County and connected families in optimal spaces, fostering community connections.

On May 13, 2020 (Action Item No. 20-22), the Commission approved a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Riverside County Department of Public Social Services (DPSS) to establish and maintain a county-wide network of Family Resource Centers (FRCs) and community hubs to strengthen families, with a key focus on the prevention of child abuse and neglect.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

That the Commission:

1. Authorize the Executive Director to extend up to eight (8) existing contracts with existing agencies that commit to administer the WPHS through RivCo Connect by

the FRC Network Specialists through June 30, 2027, increasing each contract by \$100,000 for a combined total not-to-exceed amount of \$800,000 in Prop 10 funds and;

2. Authorize the Executive Director or designee to execute two new single source contracts with agencies prepared to designate a FRCNS for emergency response services at the same funding level of \$100,000 per contract from September 15, 2025 – September 15, 2026, for a combined total not to exceed amount of \$200,000 in Prop 10 funds; and
3. Authorize the Executive Director or designee to execute contracts, revise Scopes of Work, and execute other necessary documents to extend and execute Network Specialist contracts and implement changes that align with integrated service delivery.
4. Authorize the Executive Director or Designee, based on the availability of fiscal funding and as approved as to form by County Counsel, to sign amendments that exercise the options of Contracts on behalf of the Commission, including modifications of the statement of work and/or budget that stay within the intent and not to exceed amount, of said contract, without requiring further action from the Commission.

BUDGET IMPACT

Adequate funding is included in the Fiscal Year 25/26 budget and funding request will be included in the Fiscal Year 26/27 budget for commission approval.

STRATEGIC PLAN RELEVANCE

Goal Area 3 - Resilient Families (92960)

POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Commissioner Jose Campos, Jurupa Unified School District Director

ATTACHMENTS

None

G. Future Agenda Items:

G.1. First 5 Riverside County Annual Audit FY 24/25 and Public Hearing

G.2. First 5 Riverside County Annual Report FY 24/25 and Public Hearing

H. Adjournment: Adjournment to the Financial Workshop to be held on October 22, 2025 beginning at 11:30 a.m., and the next Regular Meeting of the Riverside County Children and Families Commission beginning at 2:00 p.m. at: First 5 Riverside County Children and Families Commission Office, 585 Technology Court - Conference Room A, Riverside, CA 92507

Conflict of Interest: Any person, or group of persons present at this meeting, who wish (es) to speak on a matter may be required to state for the record any contributions, in excess of \$250.00 made in the past (12) twelve months, made to any Commission member, the Commission member receiving the contribution, and the matter of consideration with which they are involved.

Agenda Posting: Agendas will be posted at the Clerk of the Board of Riverside County and the Commission Business Office.

All public record documents for matters on the open session of the Agenda are available for inspection at the meeting listed in this Agenda, and at the following location beginning three (3) days prior to the meeting date:

**Riverside County Children and Families Commission
585 Technology Court
Riverside, CA 92507**

If a public record document that relates to a matter on the open session of the Agenda is distributed less than 72 hours prior to the meeting date, the public record document shall be available for inspection, at the same time it is distributed, at the address listed above. Upon request, this agenda will be made available in appropriate alternative formats to persons with disabilities, as required by Section 202 of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990.