

April 18, 2005

STAFF REPORT

MEMO TO: SUTTER COUNTY CHILDREN & FAMILIES COMMISSION
FROM: DEB COULTER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
**SUBJECT: RECOMMENDATION OF FUNDING REVIEW SUBCOMMITTEE – YCUSD
LETTER OF REQUEST FOR FUNDS**

BACKGROUND: At the March 25th Commission meeting it was agreed to hold a subcommittee meeting of commissioners to review a letter from the Yuba City Unified School District Sutter County Smiles program requesting additional funds. The Yuba City Unified School District received grants in two successive years to provide dental screening and treatment to children. Each grant was for a specific twelve month period. In the first year the grant was under spent by \$68,838.00. Due to changes in the fiscal monitoring within the school district there was confusion and the two grants were seen as one grant. Thus when the funds for the first year were under spent it was anticipated by the school district staff that those funds could be rolled forward into the second year grant. The result is that the second year grant was overspent by \$41,918.00.

All services provided were delivered to children who were eligible for services and received supplies, screening and treatment appropriate for their needs.

At this time the school district has no ability to pay for the services rendered unless the commission agrees to cover the costs.

IMPACT ON COMMISSION RESOURCES: \$41,918.00

RECOMMENDATION: It is the recommendation of the executive director and commission subcommittee that the Commission authorize a one time payment to the Yuba City Unified School District in the amount of \$41,918.00 to cover extra costs of serving children under the Sutter County Smiles Grants given to the school district in FY 02/03 and 03/04. It is recommended the commission pay the costs of delivering services under the school district grant from savings in this years 04/05 grant programs. Those savings are due to some projects not needing the full funding requested. The Commission is being asked to make an exception which arose from confusion within the school district grant monitoring process. The school district has put in place procedural safeguards that will prevent this type of problem in future years.

POLICY ACTION REQUESTED: Approval of recommendation.

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