



**RCA
CITY OF AUSTIN
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

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SUBJECT: Approve execution of 12-month contracts with: CHILD, INC., Austin, TX, for early Head Start and teen parent child care services in an amount not to exceed \$132,928, with two-12-month renewal options in an amount not to exceed \$132,928 per renewal option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$398,784; EL BUEN PASTOR EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT CENTER, Austin, TX, for Direct Child Care services in an amount not to exceed \$60,000, with two-12-month renewal options in an amount not to exceed \$60,000 per renewal option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$180,000; and GENERATIONS CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTERS, INC., Austin, TX, for Teen Parent Child Care services in an amount not to exceed \$86,560, with two-12-month renewal options in an amount not to exceed \$86,560 per renewal option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$259,680.

AMOUNT & SOURCE OF FUNDING: Funding in the amount of \$279,488 is available in the Neighborhood Housing and Community Development (NHCD) Department Special Revenue Fund, the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG - 30th Year). The initial contract period will be October 1, 2004 – September 30, 2005. Funding for renewal options is contingent on performance and available funding in future budgets.

FISCAL NOTE: There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

REQUESTING Health and Human
DEPARTMENT: Services

**DIRECTOR'S
AUTHORIZATION:** David Lurie

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PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION: Approval of the 2005-2009 Consolidated Plan, June 24, 2004.

BOARD AND COMMISSION ACTION: Community Development Commission approved the 2005-2009 Consolidated Plan.

PURCHASING: N/A

MBE / WBE: N/A

Background:

The City's 2005-2009 Consolidated Plan identified affordable child care as a high priority public service need.

A Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) was published in the Austin American-Statesman on June 1 and June 7, 2004, requesting competitive applications for the Direct Child Care and Teen Parent Child Care programs. Fifteen applications were received and scored. Four organizations were awarded contracts: one for the Direct Child Care Program and three for the Teen Parent Child Care Program. Council approval for an Interlocal Agreement with Austin Independent School District is being requested in a separate RCA for one of the three Teen Parent Child Care contracts.



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Contracts	Program	Funding
CHILD, INC (2 Programs)	Teen Parent	\$ 48,000
	Early Head Start	\$ 84,928*
EL BUEN PASTOR	Direct Child Care	\$ 60,000
GENERATIONS	Teen Parent	\$ 86,560
TOTAL		\$ 279,488

* The CHILD, INC. Early Head Start Program funding is used as part of the required local match (20%) for the federal funding (80%) for that program. The Department wants to maintain the same level of local support to the Early Head Start Program; therefore, the \$84,928 funding was not included in the NOFA.

The EL BUEN PASTOR Direct Child Care Program and the CHILD, INC. Early Head Start Program provide high-quality child care to low-income families. Parents participating in the programs must be working, in school, or participating in job training.

The GENERATIONS and the CHILD, INC. Teen Parent Child Care Programs provide high-quality child care to low-income teen parents. The programs also provide parent training, and monitoring of teen parent attendance and performance in school. Parents participating in the program must attend middle school or high school.

A family is considered low-income if the family income is less than 200% of the federal poverty guidelines (\$37,700 for a family of four).

Performance Measures:

Related Departmental Goal:

Provision: Social Services – Promote and foster increased self-sufficiency, healthy behaviors, and lifestyle among targeted populations.

The performance measures below are the totals for all four programs in the three contracts. Output numbers will vary by program.

Outcomes

- Percent of clients satisfied with childcare services 85%
- Percentage of contracted early childcare programs that meet quality standards 100%

Outputs

- Number of children (unduplicated) provided childcare services 102
- Number of full-time childcare spaces provided 65
- Number of parents in school/job training/employment as a result of subsidized child care (monthly average) 72



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