

May 27, 2003

STAFF REPORT

MEMO TO: SUTTER COUNTY CHILDREN AND FAMILIES COMMISSION

FROM: DEB COULTER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

SUBJECT: DIRECT SERVICES/IMPLEMENTATION GRANT BUDGET FUNDING – GRANT YEAR JULY 03- JUNE 30TH 2004 – YSUSD DENTAL TASK GROUP

BACKGROUND: The Sutter County Children & Families Commission issued an RFP for Direct Services Grants on December 18, 2001, The Yuba City Unified School District Dental Task Group applied for grant funds in the amount of \$115,984.00 to serve children at Bridge Street School during the grant year. It is the intent of your Commission to allocate funding to new & existing projects that enhance services to young children 0-5 & their families through innovative and integrated approaches. Following an oral presentation by the grant recipient on April 24, 2002 the Commission approved awarding funds to the YSUSD Dental Task Group organization to support the "School Readiness Dental Clinic" program for the grant year 02-03. At the January 24, 2003 meeting of your Commission you expressed your intent to fund grant year 03-04 pending review of this grant recipients program budget.

The 02-03 final narrative report and budget is attached for Commission information, including information from Duerr and Associates who are evaluating the project on behalf of your Commission.

Direct dental services for children 0-5 began on May 14, 2003 at Bridge Street School. Due to unforeseen circumstances, the program experienced difficulty employing a dentist and a dental assistant, until this date. Children have been identified as needing dental treatment through the collaborative efforts of the Sutter County Human Service Department "Make It Sparkle" program and the Sutter County WIC dental screening and education grant, as well as staff from the Yuba City Unified School district.

Services are now being offered at Bridge Street school three (3) days per week. Approximately twelve (12) children per day are receiving care. In addition, the awareness of oral health education has increased in Kindergarten and preschool children.

CURRENT PROPOSAL: The YSUSD Dental Task Group is requesting \$20,226.00 for grant year 03-04 to continue the "School Readiness Dental Clinic Program".

IMPACT ON COUNTY RESOURCES: Using \$79,774.00 of unspent grant money available from the prior grant year due to the late start up of this project, YSUSD Dental Task Group is requesting \$20,226.00 for 03-04 for the total operating budget for fiscal year 2003-2004 to \$100,000.00.

POLICY ACTION REQUESTED: It is the recommendation of the Executive Director that the Commission approve the funding request of the "School Readiness Dental Clinic Program" for 03-04.

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