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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

TO:	Board of Supervisors
FROM:	Britt Ferguson for Nancy Watt - County Executive Officer County Executive Office
REPORT BY:	Mary Jean McLaughlin, PIO/Committees & Commissions, 253-4111
SUBJECT:	Child Care Planning Council Request for Approval of Child Care Priorities in Napa County

RECOMMENDATION

The Napa Child Care Planning Council requests approval of and authorization for the Chair to sign the Local Planning Council Report which identifies priority areas for expansion of publicly subsidized child care.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

California Education Code 8499.5 requires Local Child Care Planning Councils to identity and prioritize geographically the areas within the county that are underserved by publicly subsidized child care. This report must be approved by both the Board of Supervisors and the County Superintendent of schools prior to being submitted to the state.

FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact? No

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

There is no Environmental Impact for this item.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

Barbara Nemko, Superintendent of Schools, and Dianna Chiabotti, Vice-Chair of the Napa County Child Care Planning Council will report to the Board of Supervisors on the 2005 Napa County Child Care Needs Assessment and the resulting priorities.

Local Child Care Planning Councils are mandated by California Education Code 8499.5 to geographically identify and prioritize the areas within their county that are underserved by publicly subsidized child care and development program services. To determine these needs within the County the Napa County Child Care Planning Council prepares a needs assessment every five years which uses currently available demographic information along with the location of currently available child care resources to determine the areas within the County with the highest needs.

The 2005 Napa County Child Care Needs Assessment is attached along with the summary Child Care and Development Program Expansion Priorities for Napa County and the Local Planning Council County Priority Report Form which must be approved by the Board of Supervisors and signed by the Chair. The Priority Report indicates that Napa and American Canyon are currently the areas within the County with the highest need.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

- A . Needs Assessment
- B. Child Care and Development Program Expansion Priorities for Napa County
- C . State Priorties Report Forms

CEO Recommendation: Approve Reviewed By: Britt Ferguson