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In Control: Community Action Advisory Board Meeting

DEPARTMENT: Department of Human Services

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Melody Woosley

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: Citywide

SUBJECT:

Correspondence II – ACF-OHS-PI-24-04 New Eligibility Provisions for Migrant and Seasonal Head Start programs

SUMMARY:

This item presents the following from the Department of Human Services (DHS) Head Start, Early Head Start, and Early Head Start-Child Care Partnership programs for action by the Head Start Policy Council

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

On March 23, 2024, President Biden signed the Further Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2024 (Public Law 118-47). which provides fiscal year (FY) 2024 appropriations for several federal departments and agencies. This spending bill funds Head Start programs through the remainder of the fiscal year. The Office of Head Start (OHS) funding changes for FY 2024 are detailed in a separate Program Instruction (Pl), ACF-OHS-PI-24-02. This PI describes changes to eligibility

requirements for Region XII, Migrant and Seasonal Head Start (MSHS) recipients in Section 239 of the Further Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2024.

The new provision expands opportunities for MSHS programs to more effectively serve the families they were designed to serve. Our nation's rich agricultural history has always featured the incredible resilience of farmworkers and their families. MSHS programs take great pride in supporting the legacy of these families and offering new opportunities for future generations.

ISSUE:

Rules and regulations for the Head Start, Early Head Start, and Early Start-Child Care Partnership grants as set forth by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) require the Head Start Policy Council to review programmatic actions to oversee certain key responsibilities.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no anticipated impact to the general fund as a result of these actions.

ALTERNATIVES:

The review of the items included in this memorandum are required for program compliance with U.S. Department of Health and Human Services rules and regulations for Head Start, Early Head Start, and Early Head Start- Child Care Partnership programs.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff will present a briefing on this item subject to possible action by the HSPC Committee. Staff recommends review and approval of the items included in this memorandum.