

**APPROVE ENTERING INTO AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY & SUPPORT SERVICES (DFSS), CITY OF CHICAGO, TO SUPPORT COMMUNITIES DISPROPORTIONATELY IMPACTED BY COVID-19**

**THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:**

Approve entering into an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with the Department of Family and Support Services (DFSS) – the City of Chicago to provide support to agencies serving prenatal parents and birth to 5 years of age students in zip codes disproportionately impacted by COVID-19 through the Governor's Emergency Education Relief (GEER) grant at a cost set forth in the compensation section of this report. A written agreement is currently being negotiated. No services shall be provided and no payment shall be made to DFSS prior to execution of the agreement. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind in the event a written agreement is not executed within 120 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this agreement is stated below.

**AGENCY:** Department of Family & Support Services - City of Chicago  
1615 W. Chicago Ave.  
Chicago, IL 60622  
Cerathel Burgess-Burnett, Deputy Commissioner  
(312) 746-8545  
Vendor #: 17110

**USER:** Office of Early Childhood Education  
42 W. Madison Street, Garden Level  
Chicago, IL 60602  
Bryan Stokes II, Chief Officer, Office of Early Childhood Education  
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**DESCRIPTION:** Under the Governor's Emergency Education Relief Fund (GEER Fund), the U.S. Department of Education (Department) awards grants to Governors for the purpose of providing local educational agencies (LEAs), institutions of higher education (IHEs), and other education related entities with emergency assistance as a result of the Novel Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19). GEER funding pertains only to currently funded Early Childhood Block Grant (ECBG) programs that have been identified as disproportionately impacted by COVID-19.

**TERM:** The term of the agreement shall commence on November 1, 2020 and shall end on August 31, 2021. The agreement shall have no options to renew.

**COMPENSATION:** DFSS shall be paid as set forth in the agreement. The estimated annual cost not to exceed \$1,287,377. The total amount authorized by this Board Report is \$1,287,377.

**RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE PARTIES:** DFSS will use the monies to fund community-based organizations in zip codes disproportionately impacted by COVID-19 to support early childhood programming for prenatal parents and children age birth to five. Allowable uses of funds include mental health consultation, professional development, support materials for home visiting, personal protective equipment (PPE), salaries for work outside normal hours, technology and hand on home learning activity materials.

**AUTHORIZATION:** Authorize the General Counsel to include other relevant terms and conditions in the written agreement. Authorize the President and Secretary to execute the agreement. Authorize the Chief Financial Officer to execute all documents required to administer or effectuate the agreement.

**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:** Pursuant to the Remedial Program for Minority and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Participation in Goods and Services contracts, (M/WBE Program), this contract is exempt as this agreement is an intergovernmental agreement.

**LSC REVIEW:** Local School Council approval is not applicable to this report.

**FINANCIAL:** Charge to: Office of Early Childhood Education Fiscal Year: 2021-22

Unit - 11385  
Fund - 370  
(\$1,287,377 FY21 - FY22)

Future year funding is contingent upon budget appropriation and approval.

**GENERAL CONDITIONS:**

Inspector General – Each party to the agreement shall acknowledge that, in accordance with 105 ILCS 5/34-13.1, the Inspector General of the Chicago Board of Education has the authority to conduct certain investigations and that the Inspector General shall have access to all information and personnel necessary to conduct those investigations.

Conflicts – The agreement shall not be legally binding on the Board if entered into in violation of the provisions of 105 ILCS 5/34-21.3 which restricts the employment of, or the letting of contracts to, former Board members during the one year period following expiration or other termination of their terms of office.

Indebtedness – The Board’s Indebtedness Policy adopted June 26, 1996 (96-0626-PO3), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

Ethics – The Board’s Ethics Code adopted May 25, 2011 (11-0525-PO2), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

Contingent Liability – The agreement shall contain the clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal year is deemed a contingent liability, subject to appropriation in the subsequent fiscal year budget(s).

Approved for Consideration:

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