

REPORT NAME: 2025-2026 Head Start/Early Head Start Non-Competing Continuation Grant Application

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FOR: INFORMATION

APPLICABLE LAW AND/OR POLICY: N/A

STRATEGIC GOAL ALIGNMENT:

SPS Strategic Objective #3: Align resources (time, people, money, materials) to student need assuring the equitable, but not equal allocation and access of those resources.

SPS Strategic Objective #5: Establish an environment of high expectations and opportunities for college and career preparedness through awareness and exploration.

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE ALIGNMENT: N/A

FISCAL FUND IMPACT: None

IMPACT AMOUNT:

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY/BACKGROUND:

The district is currently funded to provide Early Head Start and Head Start services to 144 children and families, birth-to-five in the City of Southfield, Lathrup Village and the surrounding areas. Southfield Public Schools has a 50-year history of providing comprehensive, quality early childhood services. These services will continue to be offered to the 128 children and families for the 2024-2029 program cycle.

COST BENEFIT ANALYSIS: none

RECOMMENDATION: The Superintendent recommends that the Southfield Public Schools Board of Education approve the 2025-2026 Head Start/Early Head Start Non-Competing Continuation grant application.

IMPACT IF NOT APPROVED:

Comprehensive quality services for Head Start/Early Head Start will not be available for the children in family's birth-to-five, through the Southfield Public Schools.

NEXT STEPS IF APPROVED: Once approved by the Southfield Public Schools Board of Education, the application will be uploaded to the Head Start Enterprise System (HSES) to then be submitted and approved by the Office of Head Start.