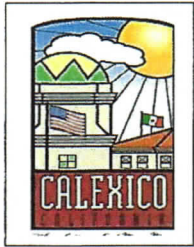


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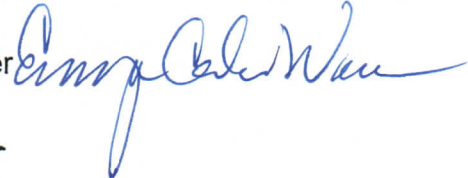
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


AGENDA STAFF REPORT

DATE: October 19, 2022

TO: Mayor and City Council

APPROVED BY: Esperanza Colio Warren, City Manager 

PREPARED BY: Lizeth Legaspi, Library Manager 

SUBJECT: Authorize City Manager to Sign Partnership Agreement with Imperial County Office of Education (ICOE) Early Care and Education Program

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Recommendation:

Authorize City Manager to sign Partnership Agreement with Imperial County Office of Education (ICOE) Early Care and Education Program.

Background:

The California Library Literacy Services Program under the direction of the California State Library provided funding to Camarena Memorial Library to offer Family Literacy Services this fiscal year. This program creates an opportunity to help connect and engage families with programming, resources, agencies, and each other. Families can learn new things to use in family life.

Discussion & Analysis:

Family Literacy Services play a crucial role in creating strong communities and families. This service builds on families' strengths, complement families' home literacy practices, and align with learner's aspirations. By partnering with Imperial County Office of Education Early Care and Education Program, the library will expose families to the "Talk, Read, Sing" early initiative programs ICOE offers. This program includes workshops in the areas of STEM/Science, recyclable art, parent/child relationships, discipline, and many others. We expect to serve a minimum of 15 families.

Fiscal Impact:

None

Coordinated With:

Imperial County Office of Education Early Care & Education Program

Attachment:

1. Partnership Agreement



Partnership Agreement

**Imperial County Office of Education
Early Care and Education Program
and
City of Calexico
Camarena Memorial Library**

This agreement is between the Imperial County Office of Education (ICOE) Early Care and Education Program and City of Calexico Camarena Memorial Library for the period of May 19, 2021 to June 30, 2023.

The purpose of this agreement is to document the relationship, services, and collaborative partnership between the ICOE Early Care and Education Program and the City of Calexico Camarena Memorial Library in providing early education and literacy services for children under five years of age, families, caregivers, staff, and the community. The Imperial County Office of Education serves as the local education agency and entity responsible for managing the publicly funded Quality Counts Imperial, Early Head Start, Head Start, and state preschool programs in Imperial County. The City of Calexico serves as local entity responsible for managing the California Library Literacy Services Grant.

Responsibilities

The City of Calexico and the Imperial County Office of Education agree to the following:

- 1) Collaborate and coordinate to improve the quality of literacy and early education services to children and families.
 - a) Collaborate on the California Library Literacy Services Grant and early education initiatives to support literacy and early education for children ages 0-5, broaden family engagement and create innovative training opportunities for children, families, staff, and caregivers.
 - b) Disseminate educational materials and collaborate on literacy activities to promote school readiness, resources, and early education programs for children.
 - c) Collaborate to enhance the efficiency of services and increase program participation.
 - d) Coordinate, advertise, and provide meeting space for workshops, resource fairs and events.
 - e) Exchange information on the provision of non-educational services to such children.
 - f) Outreach efforts to identify eligible children for early education services (Head Start, Early Head Start, State Preschool).
 - g) Collaborate to improve the social, economic and employment opportunities for families and residents in the community.
 - h) Provide technical assistance.
 - i) Collaborate to reduce duplication of services.
 - j) Other elements mutually agreed to by the parties.

Duration

This agreement shall cover the period from May 19, 2021 through June 30, 2023.

Funding and Financial Responsibility

It is specifically agreed that neither party shall be responsible for costs or expenditures incurred by the other, other than those expenses defined in any separate agreements in writing that may be between the parties cooperating in this program.

Modification of the Agreement

Modification of the agreement shall be made by mutual consent of all parties. Written notification of changes to this document must be presented to all parties 30 days prior to any changes, and all parties must agree to the modification. Termination of the agreement may occur by any party upon a 60-day written notification.

It is agreed that City of Calexico, Camarena Memorial Library, and the Imperial County Office of Education (ICOE) understand and intend to abide by the provisions outlined in this agreement. This agreement shall become effective when signed.

Michael Castillo
Senior Director, Early Childhood Education Programs
Imperial County Office of Education

Date

Esperanza Colio Warren
City Manager
City of Calexico, Camarena Memorial Library

Date