



PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA ITEM

DATE OF PUBLIC HEARING: September 13, 2016
SUBJECT: Core Services Program
FROM: Chris Kline, Director
AGENCY/DEPARTMENT: Human Services Department
HEARD AT STUDY SESSION ON: NA
AUTHORIZATION TO MOVE FORWARD: <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
RECOMMENDED ACTION: That the Board of County Commissioners Approves the Core Plan

BACKGROUND:

Core Services Program:

In 1991, Article 5.5 of Title 26 was enacted to create the Colorado Family Preservation Act. Although the program is defined in State statutes as Family Preservation, the program is referenced in Colorado Department of Human Services (CDHS) Section 7.303.1 to 7.303.17 (12 CCR 2509-4) as the Core Services Program. Pursuant to Section 26-5.5-103, C.R.S., the Core Services Program serves families with children who are at imminent risk of out-of-home placement, or who, without intervention, risk continued involvement with the child welfare system as established by rules promulgated by the State Board of Human Services.

The Core Services Program goals (7.303.11) are to:

- A. Focus on the family strengths by directing intensive services that support and strengthen the family and protect the child;
- B. Prevent out-of-home placement of the child;
- C. Return children in placement to their own home; or,
- D. Unite children with their permanent families.
- E. Provide services that protect the child.

"To return children in placement to their own home or to unite children with their permanent families" is defined as returning to the home of a parent, an adoptive placement, guardianship, independent living placement, foster-adoption placement or to living with a relative/kin, if the goal for the child in the Family Services Plan is to remain in the placement on a permanent basis.

Per C.R.S. 19-1-116 (2)(b)(II), "...the commissions shall prepare multi-year plans for services which contain the same goals as described in subparagraph (I) of this paragraph (b), and the period for the plans shall be determined in state board rules. The multi-year plans may be amended annually for budgetary or programmatic changes that are necessary to enhance service delivery or as otherwise deemed necessary to accomplish the goals of the plan, which reasons shall be set forth in state board rules. Counties shall submit the multi-year plans for approval of the state board." Annually, the State Board approves the 80/20 Core Services allocation.

AGENCIES, DEPARTMENTS OR OTHER OFFICES INVOLVED:

State Department of Child Welfare as well as the below provider partners:

AGENCIES, DEPARTMENTS, OFFICE COORDINATED WITH		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aurora Community Mental Health • Lifelong, Inc. • Life Support Behavioral Institute • Community Reach Center • Denver Indian Family Resource Center • Collaborative Services for Change • Savio 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tri County Health Department • Maple Star Colorado • Denver Area Youth Services • Community Safety First • Griffith Center • Developmental Disabilities Consultants • Excelsior • Synergy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Family Tree, Inc. • Youth Advocate Program • Dr. Baroffio • Alida Fischer • Colorado Boys Ranch • Empowering Choices Therapy • Shiloh House • The Curry Center • Signal Behavioral Health

ATTACHED DOCUMENTS:

Resolution
Core Plan

FISCAL IMPACT:

Please check if there is no fiscal impact ☒. If there is fiscal impact, please fully complete the section below.

Fund: 15**Cost Center:** 202012001700; 1710; 1720; 1730

	Object Account	Subledger	Amount
Current Budgeted Revenue:			
Additional Revenue not included in Current Budget:			
Total Revenues:			

	Object Account	Subledger	Amount
Current Budgeted Operating Expenditure:			
Add'l Operating Expenditure not included in Current Budget:			
Current Budgeted Capital Expenditure:			
Add'l Capital Expenditure not included in Current Budget:			
Total Expenditures:			

New FTEs requested: ☐ YES ☐ NO

Future Amendment Needed: ☐ YES ☐ NO

Additional Note:

Individual Contracts for all services listed in plan have been approved through Public Hearing. County Designed Program Staff are all included in previously approved positions and budgets.