



**Agenda 02-10  
February 3, 2010**

**Agenda Item 7**

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| <b>Subject</b>                | First 5 San Bernardino 2008-2009 Evaluation Report  |
| <b>Recommendations</b>        | Receive Local Annual Evaluation Report for Program Year 2008-2009<br>(Affected Districts: All)<br>(Presenter: Miki Carpenter, Supervisor, 387-1524)   |
| <b>Background Information</b> | <p>During FY 2008-09, First 5 San Bernardino invested over \$30.8 million in approximately 73 programs as well as numerous sponsorships and activities. In a time of economic hardship and dwindling resources, First 5 San Bernardino and its partners have continued to provide critical programs and services to children 0-5 and their families. They have also worked to improve coordination and strengthen systems in the health, education, and social service sectors. Last but not least, First 5's presence and role as a community resource has continued to grow and has contributed to increased awareness about the importance of the first five years of life.</p> <p>The 2008-09 evaluation report highlights key findings from multiple data sources and explores the impact of First 5 funded programs and services at the client, program, and systems levels and is organized by the five Clusters identified in the Commission's Strategic Plan: Health and Well-Being, Early Care and Education, Family Support, and System Integration and Community Engagement.</p> <p>Harder+Company has served as the external evaluator for First 5 San Bernardino since 2004 and has worked with over 30 First 5 county commissions since 1999. Over the years, Harder+Company has worked closely with First 5 San Bernardino to measure and document results as well as tell the story of how First 5 programs and services impact the lives of children and families. They work closely with staff and funded partners to collect, assess and use data for program improvement and strategic decision-making. Sonia Taddy-Sandino is a Vice-President at Harder+Company and has worked with the First 5 evaluation team since 2005. She will be presenting the evaluation results for the 2008-09 fiscal year.</p> |
| <b>Financial Impact</b>       | None  |
| <b>Review</b>                 | Regina Coleman, Commission Counsel  |

**Attachments:** Local Annual Evaluation Report for Program Year 2008-2009

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| <b>Report on Action as taken</b> |                      |
| <b>Action:</b>                   |                      |
| <b>Moved:</b> _____              | <b>Second:</b> _____ |
| <b>In Favor:</b>                 |                      |
| <b>Opposed:</b>                  |                      |
| <b>Abstained:</b>                |                      |
| <b>Comments:</b> _____           |                      |
| <b>Witnessed:</b>                |                      |