Small Population County Funding Augmentation Authorization

First 5 California Commission Meeting January 28, 2021 Item # 8



Agenda

- Offer brief background of the Small Population County Funding Augmentation (SPCFA)
- Respond to Commissioner questions from October
- Explain eligibility criteria, funding formula, and term
- Describe proposed accountability framework
- Provide fiscal analysis



Request

- \$ 20 million
- 4.25 years
- April 1, 2021, through June 30, 2025

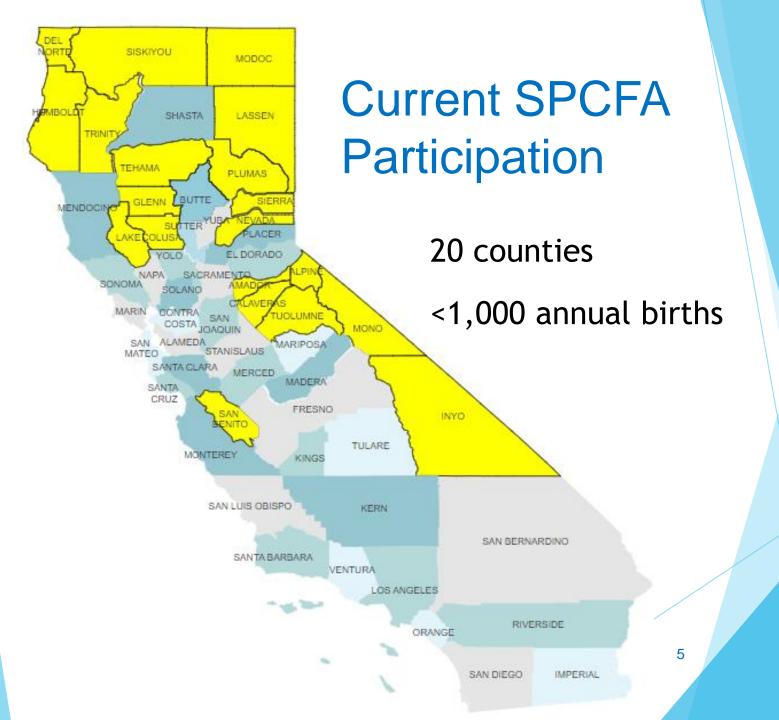




History of SPCFA

- Statutory funding formula is inadequate for counties with low birthrates to operate effective First 5 programs
- Funding to support small population counties (SPCs):
 - Has been authorized since 1999
 - Supports the success of small counties
 - Ensures Proposition 10 is a statewide effort





Small Population County Profile





- SPCFA funding is essential to First 5 survival in SPCs
- Small population counties are in the drivers' seat of systems work
- Small population counties contend with geographic barriers, lack of resources, and high needs



Pooled Assistance

- Small population counties have tried pooled services with mixed results
 - Structural
 - Unintended consequences
- Phased-in approach
 - Investigate county experiences, strengths, limitations
 - Research potential common support models
 - Incentivize and evaluate pilots July 2022

 –June 2024
 - Require beginning FY 2024–25



Funding Method and Term

- Reimbursement-based
- 3.25-year term with potential one-year extension
- Funding set-aside for technical assistance and pooled services



Eligibility Criteria

- 1000 or fewer births
- Average: 341 births between 2017 – 2019
- 21 counties eligible

Funding Calculation

Current Annual SPCFA

- Baseline minus county revenue
- Example:

BASELINE: \$350,000 MINUS

2019-20 REVENUE: \$99,252

EQUALS 2019-20 SPCFA:

\$250,748

New Annual SPCFA

- Average SPCFA 2017– 19 through 2019–20
- Example:

2017-18 SPCFA: \$261,521

2018-19 SPCFA: \$268,120

2019-20 SPCFA: \$250,748

Average: \$260,130

New Total SPCFA

Average X 3.25 years





Accountability Framework

- Meet requirements of the Act
- Pilot pooled services
- Carry out systems impact evaluation
- Align with state and local efforts
- Support COVID recovery

Systems Impact Evaluation



- What systems improvement is needed?
- What partners were involved?
- What actions were taken by the partners?
- What changed as a result of the activity?

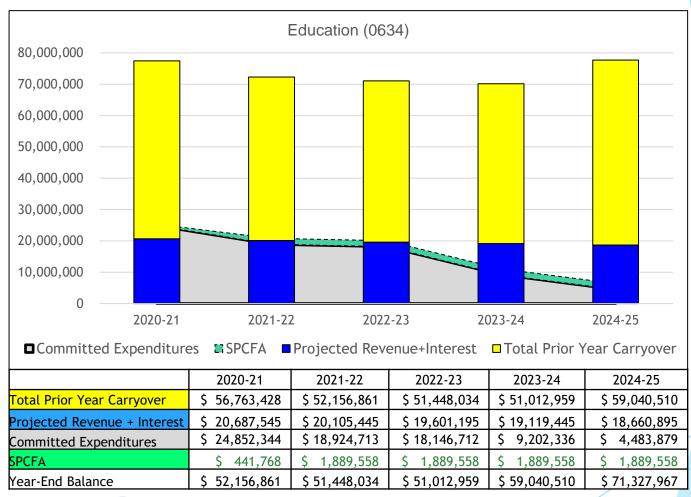


Authorization Request

- 4.25 years: April 1, 2021, through June 30, 2025
- \$20 million
 - Counties: \$18,775,190
 - Evaluation TA and
 Shared Services: \$ 1,224,810
- Accounts
 - Education (0634): 40%
 - Research & Development (R&D) (0637): 20%
 - Unallocated (0639): 40%

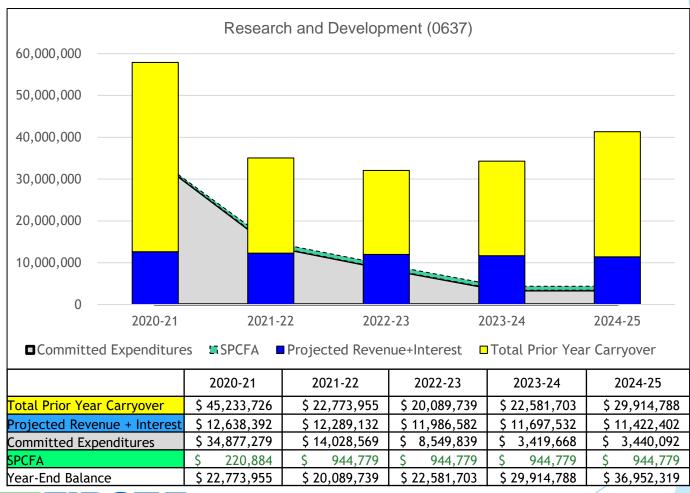


Projected Revenue, Expenditures, and Current Request: Education Account



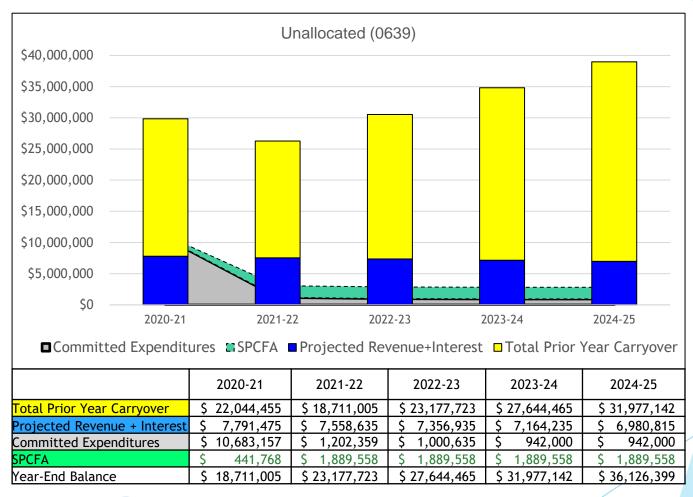


Projected Revenue, Expenditures, and Current Request: Research and Development Account





Projected Revenue, Expenditures, and Current Request: Unallocated Account





Thank You.





Questions?

