**LOCAL PLANNING COUNCIL**

**ANNUAL SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES REPORT**

Agency Name: Child Care Coordinating Council County: Nevada County

Address: 640 E. Main Street Suite #3 Grass Valley CA 95945

Contract Number: CLPC-5028 Contract Amount: $53,117

1. List three major activities and accomplishments during the contract reporting period:
* Coordinated with local agencies to leverage funds to further advance professional growth opportunities and maximize the impact in supporting educators working in state funded programs and FCCHN’s thereby increasing stipend applicants and recipients by 146% compared to last fiscal year, increased the number of college courses completed by state funded center staff by 800% compared to last fiscal year, increased the number of child development permit holders by 6% compared to last fiscal year.
* Coordinated with local agencies (First 5 Nevada County, Sierra Nevada Children’s Services, Sierra Community College) to encourage professional networking opportunities and educational opportunities. These include: teacher cohorts through our professional development strands (a group of teachers complete a strand of workshops/study together), access-based support to an ECE Advisor or site support (for example, inviting teachers to use the CCCC office for access to technology – printer, online webinars/classes, resources, etc.)
* Identified, Collaborated and Supported Child Care Workforce and Families in need of Child Care. Assessed and completed Nevada County’s overall child care needs, with data on supply/demand, costs and market rates; identified zip code local funding priority areas in the county for the greatest child care need, fostered partnerships with local agencies to support families and child care.
1. Identify problems and proposed resolutions to local planning issues and activities:
* Continued low funding for LPCs has caused the Coordinator to split time between LPC/AB 212, QRIS/IMPACT, CSPP/TK Stipend programs. *LPCs are legislatively tasked with coordination of ECE efforts, but lack of funding for our mandated activities makes this role unrealistic especially in a rural county like Nevada. Because I am only partially funded, I must take on other roles in order to create a full-time job. As the LPC Coordinator, I work alone and in addition to my role as the LPC Coordinator, I also take on the role of: QRIS Manager, Training Coordinator for the entire county, AB212/CTKS/IMPACT/QRIS Block and I/T Block Grant distribution and stipend request, create and manage publications/media packets, create and manage website and office administration, coach/train stipend participants, manage and lead the Peer Mentor Program, coordinate with partner agencies to lead ECE efforts (i.e. advocate in colleges to prevent ECE/CD courses from being cancelled), recruit and retain participants, create and support improvement strategies, coordinate and maintain iPinwheel, database, coordinate assessors and trainers for participating programs.*

*As a result, deliverable deadlines required by law are not always met. The LPC in Nevada County serves as the primary lead and hub agency to connect and maintain an association* of representatives from the early care and education field, including colleges, R&R’s, Head Start, County Office of Education, and business partners, with the primary goal of supporting early childhood educators and maximum utilization of professional development resources to meet the needs of the ECE workforce. Increased funding to allow for full-time funding for the LPC Coordinator position would allow for meeting and strengthening data coordination and building a policy agenda at the city and county level.

1. Coordination/Collaboration Efforts (California First 5, CalSAFE, Native American Indian Tribes, etc.):

Activities took place that included partnerships with:

* First 5 CA, First 5 Nevada County, First 5 Placer County, Gold Country Association for the Education of Young Children, Kidz Kount Head Start, Sierra Community College, Child Abuse Prevention Council of Western Nevada County, Community Support Network, Children’s & Youth’s Bill of Rights Group, Sierra Nevada Children’s Services, PARTNERS Family Resource Center, California Child Care Coordinators Association
* Attach copies of any publications that have been printed during the year using contract LPC funds. **Do not send copies of meeting minutes or agendas**. This form must be submitted to the LPC Consultant on the dates specified in the contract. Mail this form to: LPC Consultant, Early Education and Support Division, California Department of Education, 1430 N Street, Suite 3410, Sacramento, CA 95814-5901. This report should not exceed one page. If publications are not attached, this form may be submitted electronically to Linda Parfitt, Child Development Consultant, Early Education and Support Division, at lparfitt@cde.ca.gov.