

Child Care Services Committee Meeting

February 9, 2021 3:00 pm

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Strategic Goals

- Establish and Strengthen Partnerships
- Effectively/Efficiently Target Rural Area Services
- Increase Workforce Awareness
- Expand Innovative Services to Business
- Explore New Revenue Opportunities
- Improve Internal Efficiencies
- Refine Board Culture

Mission Statement

At Workforce Solutions of the Coastal Bend, we invest in our regional economic success through access to jobs, training, and employer services.

Value Statement

Accountability – We address our customers and co-workers in a positive manner that elevates their spirit and creates a professional, supportive workplace for staff, job seekers, and employers.

Teamwork – We combine our individual talents for the benefit of the mission and common goals leveraging our unique abilities and contributions.

Trust – We consistently deliver on our commitments to our customers and co-workers to establish strong, sustainable relationships.

Integrity – We are honest, supportive, candid in addressing difficult issues, and willing to share success to demonstrate respect and consideration for our customers and co-workers.

Tenacity – We resist giving up when the going gets tough and support our customers and co-workers in seeing that issues are resolved and the job gets done.

Understanding – We are serious and passionate about delivering our services with compassion and empathy.

Dignity – We interact with customers and co-workers professionally regardless of their backgrounds, experience, and circumstances to reflect our commitment as public servants.

Enthusiasm – We recognize the importance and value of our work and know that every day we have the opportunity to help build the economic success of our regional economy.

Disclosure and Declaration of a Conflict of Interest

Conflicts of Interest and the appearance of Conflicts of Interest shall be reported according to Board Administrative Policies #1.0.101.00 - Standards of Conduct and Conflict of Interest; and #1.0.105.00 - Reporting Conflict of Interest, Fraud, and Abuse, which were adopted by the Board of Directors on April 26, 2007.

Conflict of Interest – A circumstance in which a Board Member, Board employee, Contracted Provider, or Contracted Provider's employee is in a decision-making position and has a direct or indirect interest, particularly a financial interest, that influences the individual's ability to perform job duties and fulfill responsibilities.

Appearance of a Conflict of Interest – A circumstance in which a Board Member, Board employee, Contracted Provider, or Contracted Provider's employee's action appears to be:

- influenced by considerations of one or more of the following: gain to the person, entity, or organization for which the person has an employment interest, substantial financial interest, or other interest, whether direct or indirect (other than those consistent with the terms of the contract), or:
- motivated by design to gain improper influence over the Commission, the Agency, the Board, or the Board's Chief Elected Officials.

Code of Ethics

The Workforce Solutions Code of Ethics is a guide for dealing with ethical matters in the workplace and in our relationship with our clients and members of the community.

- We believe in respect for the individual.
- We believe all persons are entitled to be treated with respect, compassion and dignity.
- We believe in openness and honesty in dealing with the general public, the people we serve, and our peers.
- We believe in striving for excellence.
- We believe in conducting ourselves in a way that will avoid even the appearance of favoritism, undue influence or impropriety, so as to preserve public confidence in our efforts.



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AGENDA

I.	Call to Order: Dr. Mary Gleason, Chair
II.	Roll Call3
III.	Announcement on Disclosure of Conflicts of Interest Any Conflicts of Interest or Appearance of a Conflict of Interest with items on this agenda shall be declared at this time. Members with conflicts will refrain from voting, and are asked to refrain from discussion on such items. Conflicts discovered later in the meeting shall be disclosed at that time. Note: Information on open meetings is included at the end of this agenda.
IV.	Public Comments
V.	Discussion and Possible Action on Minutes of the November 10, 2020 Child Care Services Committee Meeting
VI.	Review of Committee Charter and Initiatives for BCY 2021
VII.	Information Only: 1. Summary of Child Care Performance for the First Quarter of BCY 2021: Denise Woodson
VIII.	Adjournment

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Closed Session Notice. PUBLIC NOTICE is given that the Board may elect to go into executive session at any time during the meeting in order to discuss matters listed on the agenda, when authorized by the provisions of the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code. In the event the Board elects to go into executive session regarding an agenda item, the section or sections of the Open Meetings Act authorizing the executive session will be publicly announced by the presiding officer.

Child Care Services Committee Roll Call Roster February 9, 2021

Mary Gleason, Chair
Sandra Bowen, Vice Chair
Mary Afuso
Justin Hoggard
Ed Sample
Catrina Wilson
Gary Allsup
Signed
Printed Name

MINUTES

Workforce Solutions of the Coastal Bend - Child Care Services Committee Meeting

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November 10, 2020 – 3:00 pm

Absent

Committee Members

Present
Marcia Keener, Chair
Mary Afuso
Sara Garza
Mary Gleason
Ed Sample
Catrina Wilson

Other Board Members Present:

Gloria Perez

Others Present

Ken Trevino, Workforce Solutions
Amy Villarreal, Workforce Solutions
Shileen, Workforce Solutions
Janet Neely, Workforce Solutions
Denise Woodson, Workforce Solutions
Christina Miller, Workforce Solutions
Vicki Stonum, Workforce Solutions
Valerie De La Cruz, Workforce Solutions
Isabel Gonzales, Workforce Solutions
Monika De La Garza, Workforce Solutions
Alba Silvas, Workforce Solutions
Norma Ochoa, Workforce Solutions
Neil Hanson, BakerRipley
Kenia Dimas, BakerRipley

I. Call to Order

Ms. Keener called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm.

II. Roll Call

The roll was called and a quorum was present.

III. Announcement on Disclosure of Conflicts of Interest

Attention was called to the Disclosure and Declaration of Conflict of Interest guidelines, and disclosures were requested at this time. None were made.

IV. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

V. Discussion and Possible Action on Minutes of the September 1, 2020 Child Care Services Committee Meeting

Dr. Gleason moved to approve the minutes of the September 1, 2020 Child Care Services Committee meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Sample and passed.

VI. Information Only:

1. Summary of Child Care Performance for the Fourth Quarter of BCY2020 Ms. Woodson provided a summary of Child Care performance for the fourth quarter of BCY 2020 (included on page 7 of the November 10 agenda packet).

- 2. Summary of Child Care Performance for the Month of October of the First Quarter of BCY2021 Ms. Woodson provided a summary of Child Care performance for the month of October of the first quarter of BCY 2021 (included on pages 8-14 of the November 10 agenda packet).
- 3. Action Plan for Child Care Performance for the Remainder of the First Quarter of BCY2021 Ms. Woodson provided information on an action plan for Child Care performance for the remainder of the first quarter of BCY 2021 (included on pages 15-21 of the November 10 agenda packet).
- Ms. Woodson commended and thanked Ms. Dimas and staff for their work.
- 4. Child Care Customer Service Portal

Ms. Woodson provided information on the Child Care Customer Service Portal (included on page 22 of the November 10 agenda packet).

Ms. Keener thanked Mr. Hanson, Ms. Dimas and BakerRipley staff for all their hard work.

Ms. Keener also thanked Ms. Woodson and staff for all their hard work and dedication.

5. Update on Child Care Quality Program Activities

Ms. Miller provided an update on recent Child Care Quality Program activities (included on page 23 of the November 10 agenda packet).

Ms. Miller provided a summary of professional development training activities and cleaning supplies distributions that were held during the fourth quarter of BCY 2020. The trainings are listed below:

1. September 24, 2020 – "Breaking the Chain of Infection and Stopping the Spread of Diseases" by Sherry Hahn

Morning Session – 15 participants

Afternoon Session – 15 participants

2. September 29, 2020 – "Learning Environments" by Noemi Aguilar

Morning Session – 14 participants

Afternoon Session – 14 participants

Cleaning Supplies Distribution

During the fourth quarter of BCY 2020, WFSCB distributed cleaning supplies, i.e. a case of toilet paper; a case of paper towels; a case of bleach; and a case of hand sanitizer to child care providers listed on the dates below.

<u>Date</u>	Number of Providers	Cost of Distribution
July 1, 2020	24 providers	\$4,458.70
August 19, 2020	23 providers	\$4,359.00
September 23, 2020	13 providers	\$2,382.00

Ms. Woodson provided additional information.

Ms. Keener thanked committee members and staff for attending.

VII. Adjournment

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The meeting adjourned at 3:29 pm.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

VI. Review of Committee Charter and Initiatives for BCY 2021

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Child Care Services Committee Charter:

CHILD CARE SERVICES

Responsible for all issues dealing with the management of child care services. Responsible for monitoring the child care vendor activity, the child care contractor, recommending the allocation of child care dollars to the Board and to the Contractor, reviewing child care training, development issues, and monitoring the reports and enrollments from the contractor.

RECOMMENDATION

The Child Care Services Committee consider initiatives for 2021 and take any appropriate action on the information presented.

VII - 1. Summary of Child Care Performance for the First Quarter of BCY 2021

BACKGROUND

Board staff will summarize child care performance for the first quarter of BCY2021. Attached are charts indicating actual enrollments, expenditures, and monthly performance measures for the first quarter of BCY2021.

VII - 2. Summary of Child Care Performance for the Month of January of the Second Quarter of BCY 2021

BACKGROUND

Board staff will summarize child care performance for the month of January of the second quarter of BCY2021. Attached are charts indicating actual enrollments, expenditures, and monthly performance measures for January 2021.

VII - 3. Action Plan for Child Care Performance for the Second Quarter of BCY 2021

BACKGROUND

Board staff will present an action plan for child care performance for the second quarter of BCY2021.

DESCRIPTION	CONTRACT	Start Date	End Date	BUDGE	ET AMOUNT	JNT EXPENDED of 01-04-2021	BALANCE	PRO	JECTED UNPAID CLAIMS	SUR	PLUS / DEFICIT	Performance Potential	Assumptions
CCC	2221CCC001		10/31/2021		-	\$ 122,668	\$ (122,668)	•		Φ.			
CCC	2220CCC001	10/1/2019			4,438,542	\$ -	\$ 4,438,542	Ф	667,943	Ф	3,647,931	123	Assumed TWC average cost of \$24.48 over the entire year.
CCF	2221CCF	10/1/2020	12/31/2021	\$	-	\$ 889,154	\$ (889,154)	6	11,685,549	¢	(4,912,137)	2,586	
CCF	2220CCF001	10/1/2019	10/31/2020	\$ 8	8,569,950	\$ 907,384	\$ 7,662,566	9	11,065,549	φ	(4,912,137)	2,360	Assumed TWC average cost of \$19.97 over the entire year.
Sub Total - Formula Funds				\$ 13	3,008,492	\$ 1,919,206	\$ 11,089,286	\$	12,353,492	\$	(1,264,206)	2,709	
	•	·	·		·							•	•
Local Match 2021	21CCM	#N/A	#N/A	\$ 1	1,800,566	\$ -	\$ 1,800,566						Local match will be broken by contract once it is loaded in TWIST
Coastal Bend College	22202C04	10/1/2019	12/31/2020	\$	-	\$ -	\$ -						
Del Mar College	22202C06	10/1/2019	12/31/2020	\$	-	\$ -	\$						
Texas A&M University-Kingsville	22202C07	10/1/2019	12/31/2020	\$	-	\$ -	\$						
Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi	22202C08	10/1/2019	12/31/2020	\$	-	\$ -	\$						
City of Corpus Christi	22202CO5	10/1/2019	12/31/2020	\$	-	\$ -	\$ -						
Sub Total - Local Match Funds				\$ 1	1,800,566	\$ -	\$ 1,800,566	\$	-	\$	1,800,566		
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Sub Total - TWC Direct Care Funds	•	-	-	\$ 14	4,809,058	\$ 1,919,206	\$ 12,889,852	\$	12,353,492	\$	536,360	0	
													•

Total	\$ 14,809,058 \$	1,919,206	12,889,852 \$	12,353,492 \$	536,360	2,709
Percentage		12.96%	87.04%	83.42%	3.62%	
						2,710

Reconciliation to Contract:

Total Funds Management Budget	\$ 14,809,058
CCP Funds in Contract	\$ 1,448,000
Other Funds in Contract	\$ -
Total Budgets in reports	\$ 16,257,058
Contract Amount	\$ 16,257,058

Variance and Explanation \$ (

Fiscal Year 2021 - Enrollment Targets

		Actual	Actual	Actual	Projected									
	Enrollment As Of Jan 04	Average Enrollment												
Eligibility Characteristic	1/4/2021	Oct-20	Nov-20	Dec-20	Jan-21	Feb-21	Mar-21	Apr-21	May-21	Jun-21	Jul-21	Aug-21	Sep-21	Difference Over/(Under) to current month
3 - Transitional	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10 - Income Eligible	2,254	2,107	2,227	2,265	2,745	2,745	2,745	2,745	2,745	2,745	2,745	2,745	2,745	(491)
16 - Homeless	5	8	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	0
Sub Total	2,259	2,115	2,232	2,270	2,750	2,750	2,750	2,750	2,750	2,750	2,750	2,750	2,750	0 (491)
1 - Choices	30	32	23	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	(2)
2 - Tanf Applicant	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
4 - SNAP E&T	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
15 - Former DFPS	93	90	87	94	94	94	94	94	94	94	94	94	94	(1)
Sub Total	123	122	110	126	126	126	126	126	126	126	126	126	126	(3)
Total All Funds	2,382	2,237	2,342	2,396	2,876	2,876	2,876	2,876	2,876	2,876	2,876	2,876	2,876	(494)
			105	54	480	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	

DISCRETIONARY FORECASTING PROFILE - FY 2021

			C - H			I	J	K	L		М	N		0		Р
		_	Children for the eligibility chara	•	count by			Billable	Actual	A	verage	Remaining		Remaining	-	tal Actual &
		3 - Transitional	10 -Income Eligible	16 - Homeless	Total	Utilization Rate	Actual Units	Days	Expenses		it Cost	Projected Units		Projected openditures		Projected penditures
A c t	Oct-20	0	2,107	8	2,115	99.8%	46,433	22	\$ 907,383.51	\$	19.54	-	\$	-	\$	907,384
u a I	Nov-20	0	2,227	5	2,232	98.1%	45,964	21	\$ 889,154.31	\$	19.34	-	\$	-	\$	889,154
	Dec-20	0	2265	5	2,270	99.0%	0	23	\$ -	\$	19.75	51,688	\$	1,020,836	\$	1,020,836
	Jan-21	0	2745	5	2,750	99.0%	0	21	\$ -	\$	19.75	57,173	\$	1,129,157	\$	1,129,157
P	Feb-21	0	2745	5	2,750	99.0%	0	20	\$ -	\$	19.75	54,450	\$	1,075,388	\$	1,075,388
r	Mar-21	0	2745	5	2,750	99.0%	0	23	\$ _	\$	19.75	62,618	\$	1,236,696	\$	1,236,696
j	Apr-21	0	2745	5	2,750	99.0%	0	22	\$ -	\$	19.75	59,895	\$	1,182,926	\$	1,182,926
e c	May-21	0	2745	5	2,750	99.0%	0	21	\$ _	\$	19.75	57,173	\$	1,129,157	\$	1,129,157
e	Jun-21	0	2745	5	2,750	99.0%	0	22	\$ _	\$	20.75	59,895	\$	1,242,821	\$	1,242,821
d	Jul-21	0	2745		,	99.0%	0	22	\$ _	\$	20.75	59,895	\$	1,242,821	\$	1,242,821
	Aug-21	0	2745		,	99.0%	0	22	\$ _	\$	20.75	59,895	\$	1,242,821	\$	1,242,821
	Sep-21	0	2745		,	99.0%	0	22	\$ 	\$	19.75	59,895	•	1,182,926	\$	1,182,926
тоти	ALS / AVERAGE	0	2,609		,		92,397	261	\$ 1,796,538		19.97	582,575		11,685,549		13,482,087

Total Actual and Projected Expenditures

\$ 13,482,087

Total CCF Budget
\$ 8,569,950
\$ 1,800,566

Total Direct Child Care Services Budget

Net Balance
(Total "CC Services Budget" minus "Total Actual & Projected Expenditures")

Projected Average Number of Units Served

(Total of "Number of Actual + Projected Units / 12 months)

2,586

MANDATORY FORECASTING PROFILE - FY 2021

				C - F			1	J	К	L	М	N	О		Р
		Average	of Children # of Children								_				
		1 - Choices	2 - Tanf Applicant	4 - SNAP E&T	15 - Former DFPS	Total	Utilization Rate	Actual Units	Billable Days	Actual Expenses	verage iit Cost	Remaining Projected Units	Remaining Projected Expenditures	P	al Actual & rojected penditures
A c t	Oct-20	32	0	0	90	122	99.0%	2,656	22	\$ 65,193	\$ 24.55	-	\$ -	\$	65,193
u a I	Nov-20	23	0	0	87	110	100.3%	2,318	21	\$ 57,475	\$ 24.80	-	\$ -	\$	57,475
	Dec-20	32	0	0	94	126	99.0%	0	23	\$ -	\$ 24.26	2,869	\$ 69,602	\$	69,602
	Jan-21	32	0	0	94	126	99.0%	0	21	\$ -	\$ 24.26	2,620	\$ 63,550	\$	63,550
Р	Feb-21	32	0	0	94	126	99.0%	0	20	\$ -	\$ 24.26	2,495	\$ 60,524	\$	60,524
r o	Mar-21	32	0	0	94	126	99.0%	0	23	\$ -	\$ 24.26	2,869	\$ 69,602	\$	69,602
j e	Apr-21	32	0	0	94	126	99.0%	0	22	\$ -	\$ 24.26	2,744	\$ 66,576	\$	66,576
C t	May-21	32	0	0	94	126	99.0%	0	21	\$ -	\$ 24.26	2,620	\$ 63,550	\$	63,550
e d	Jun-21	32	0	0	94	126	99.0%	0	22	\$ -	\$ 25.26	2,744	\$ 69,321	\$	69,321
u	Jul-21	32	0	0	94	126	99.0%	0	22	\$ -	\$ 25.26	2,744	\$ 69,321	\$	69,321
	Aug-21	32	0	0	94	126	99.0%	0	22	\$ _	\$ 25.26	2,744	\$ 69,321	\$	69,321
	Sep-21	32	0	0	94	126	99.0%	0	22	\$ _	\$ 24.26	2,744	\$ 66,576	\$	66,576
тота	ALS/AVERAGE	31	0	0	93	124		4,974	261	\$ 122,668	\$ 24.58	27,193	\$ 667,943	\$	790,611

Total Actual and Projected Expenditures

\$ 790,611

Total CCC Budget

\$ 4,438,542

Total Direct Child Care Services Budget

Net Balance
(Total "CC Services Budget" minus "Total Actual & Projected Expenditures")

Projected Average Number of Units Served

\$ 123

(Total of "Number of Actual + Projected Units / 12 months)

ALL FUNDS - CHILD CARE FORECASTING PROFILE - TARGET ENROLLMENT - FY 2021

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		Average # of Children for the month (self count)	((E+I)/(C*F)) Utilization Rate	Actual Units	Number of Billable Days	Actual Expenses		G+J)/(E+I) verage Unit Rate	Remaining Projected Units	Remaining Projected expenditures	(G+J) Total tual/Projected expenditures
A c t	Oct-Actual	2,237	99.7%	49,089	22	\$ 972,577	\$	19.81	-	\$ -	\$ 972,577
u a I	Nov-Actual	2,342	98.2%	48,282	21	\$ 946,629	\$	19.61	-	\$ -	\$ 946,629
	Dec-Proj	2,396	99.0%	0	23	\$ -	\$	19.99	54,557	\$ 1,090,438	\$ 1,090,438
	Jan-Proj	2,876	99.0%	0	21	\$ -	\$	19.95	59,792	\$ 1,192,707	\$ 1,192,707
Р	Feb-Proj	2,876	99.0%	0	20	\$ -	\$	19.95	56,945	\$ 1,135,911	\$ 1,135,911
r	Mar-Proj	2,876	99.0%	0	23	\$ -	\$	19.95	65,487	\$ 1,306,298	\$ 1,306,298
j	Apr-Proj	2,876	99.0%	0	22	\$ -	\$	19.95	62,639	\$ 1,249,502	\$ 1,249,502
e c t	May- Proj	2,876	99.0%	0	21	\$ -	\$	19.95	59,792	\$ 1,192,707	\$ 1,192,707
e d	Jun- Proj	2,876	99.0%	0	22	\$ -	\$	20.95	62,639	\$ 1,312,142	\$ 1,312,142
a	Jul-Proj	2,876	99.0%	0	22	\$ -	\$	20.95	62,639	\$ 1,312,142	\$ 1,312,142
	Aug-Proj	2,876	99.0%	0	22	\$ -	\$	20.95	62,639	\$ 1,312,142	\$ 1,312,142
	Sep-Proj	2,876	99.0%	0	22	\$ -	\$	19.95	62,639	\$ 1,249,502	\$ 1,249,502
	TOTALS / AVERAGE	2,738	98.9%	97,371	261	\$ 1,919,206 Actual Exp matched	_	20.18	609,769	\$ 12,353,492	\$ 14,272,698

Total Actual and Projected Expenditures \$ 14,272,698

Total Direct Child Care Services Budget \$ 14,809,058

Net Balance \$ 536,360

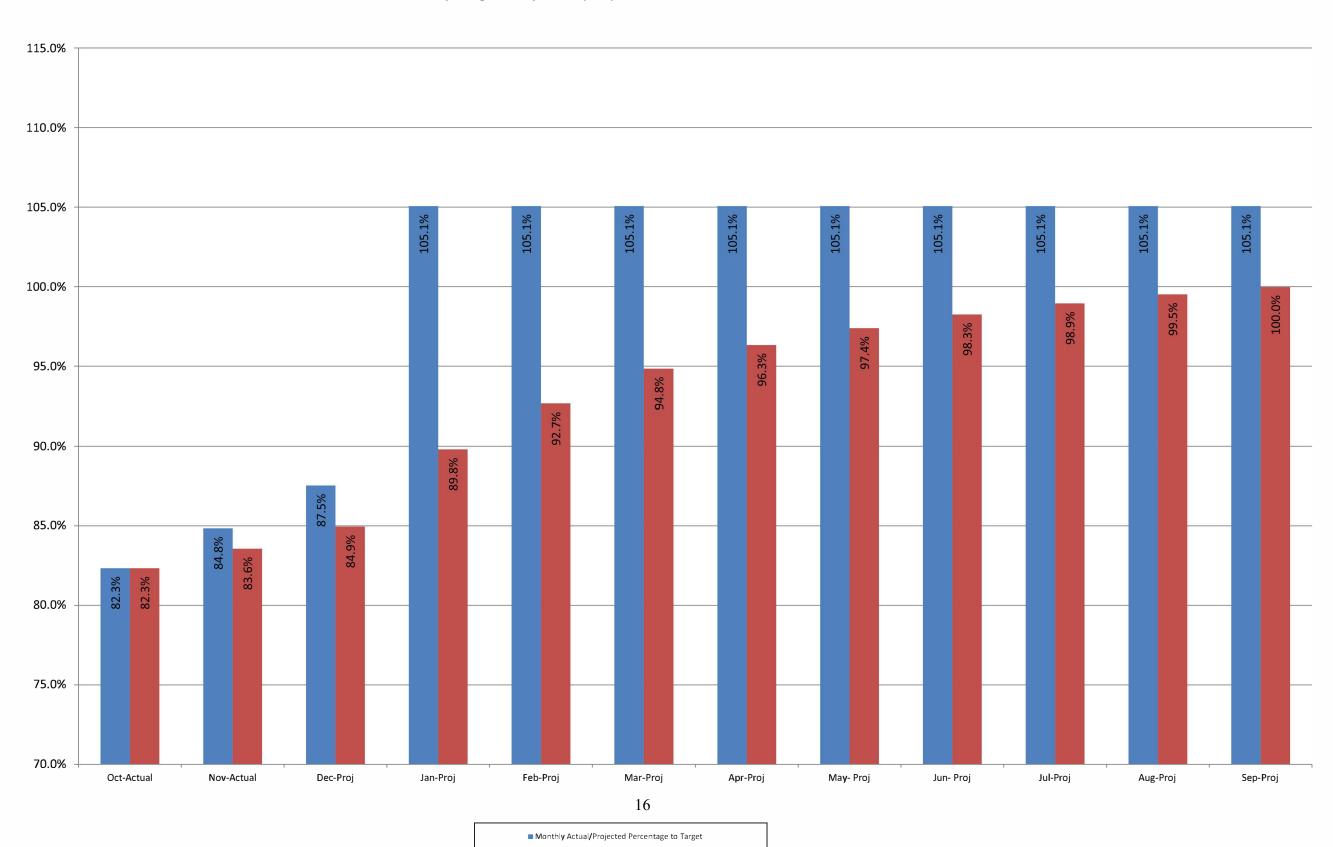
(Total "CC Services Budget" minus "Total Actual & Projected Expenditures")

Projected Average Number of Units Served 2,709
(Total of "Number of Actual + Projected Units / 12 months)

Projected Average Unit Rate for the Year \$ 20.18

CCDF Funds (Mandatory and Discretionary) Actual and Projected Performance

Chart Data is from TWIST Ad-Hoc Reporting. TWC reports may vary due to data extraction dates



■ Cumulative Actual/Projected Percentage to Target

VII - 4. Analysis of Coastal Bend Child Care

BACKGROUND

The Board receives a monthly report from TWC that analyzes child care performance with respect to several factors. The most current monthly report regarding child care performance was received on January 28, 2021. Included in the report was a program analysis for the month of November 2020 that contained the following information:

- Average number of children in care 2,266
- Average cost per unit (Board performance) \$19.61
- Average cost per unit (Mandatory Care) \$24.80
- Number of licensed centers –121
- Percentage of children in licensed centers 96.08%
- Number of licensed homes 19
- Percentage of children in licensed homes 3.21%
- Number of registered homes 3
- Percentage of children in registered homes 0.46%
- Total registered providers 143
- Number of listed relative homes 5
- Percentage of children in listed relative homes 0.25%
- Total relative providers 5
- Percentage of Choices Program 1.09%
- Percentage of Other Mandatory 3.71%
- Percentage of (Board Performance) Discretionary 95.20%
- Percentage of Former DFPS Only 3.65%
- Number of children on wait list 682
- Enrollment is currently open

VII - 5. Extension of Child Care Enhanced Reimbursement Rate Payments

BACKGROUND

Workforce Solutions of the Coastal Bend received CARES Act funding during BCY2020 that supplemented the regular reimbursement payments child care providers received during the COVID-19 Pandemic. In addition to their regular child care payments, child care providers also received a 25% enhanced reimbursement rate payment from June 2020 through December 2020. Board staff will inform the Committee that additional funding has been given to Workforce Boards that will allow child care providers to continue receiving the 25% enhanced reimbursement rate payments through July 2021.

VII - 6. Child Care Business Supports

BACKGROUND

Board staff will inform the Committee of the availability of technical resources on federal business supports that are available for child care providers which includes funding for the Paycheck Protection Program (PPP).

VII - 7. Child Care Customer Services Portal Update

BACKGROUND

Board staff continues to collaborate with the Contractor to design a child care customer services portal. The child care customer services portal will allow Child Care Services (CCS) Program parents and providers to communicate with the Contractor staff and submit transactions electronically that are related to their CCS Program records. A soft launch of the Child Care Customer Services Portal is scheduled for February 10, 2021.

VII - 8. Update on Child Care Quality Program Activities

BACKGROUND

Board staff will provide an update on the child care quality program activities that took place and educational resources that were purchased during the first quarter of BCY2021.

Cleaning Supplies Distribution

During the first quarter of BCY2021, WFSCB distributed cleaning supplies, i.e., a case of toilet paper; a case of paper towels; a case of bleach; and a case of hand sanitizer to child care providers listed on the dates below.

<u>Date</u>	Number of <u>Providers</u>	Cost of <u>Distribution</u>
October 15, 2020	15 providers	\$2,382.00
November 4, 2020	31 providers	\$9,971.00

Educational Resources

November 2020

16 child care centers received an educational carpet for their Pre-Kindergarten classrooms. (\$4,344.80)

December 2020

9 outdoor learning environments were installed at Texas Rising Star (TRS) child care centers which included child care centers in Alice, Beeville, and Nueces County. Each outdoor learning environment cost \$17,161.74 (\$154,455.66)

Glossary of Terms

Program Title	Program Characteristics
Child Care	Helps employers retain qualified workers with families by providing subsidized child care to low-income parents, children of teen parents, and children with disabilities.
Non-Custodial Parent (NCP) Choices	Targets low-income, unemployed, or underemployed NCPs who are behind on child support payments and whose children are current or former recipients of public assistance. Involves working in tandem with the Office of the Attorney General (OAG) and the local court system to help NCPs with substantial barriers to employment and career advancement, become economically self-sufficient while also making consistent child support payments.
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Employment and Training (SNAP E&T)	Designed to assist SNAP recipients in obtaining employment through participation in allowable job search, training, education, or workforce activities that promote long-term self-sufficiency. SNAP recipients are referred by the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC).
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)/Choices	The goal of Choices services is to end the dependence of needy parents on public assistance by promoting job preparation, employment, and job retention with a "Work First" service delivery design. TANF recipients are referred by the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC).
Trade Act Services	Provides employers with skilled workers. Moves trade-affected workers into new jobs as quickly and effectively as possible.
The Workforce Information System of Texas (TWIST)	TWIST is a centralized point of reporting intake, case management, and service delivery for customers. Intake information is submitted just once for multiple employment and training programs, and can be retrieved statewide. TWIST also allows staff to query and retrieve information from the legacy systems - Employment Services (ES), Unemployment Insurance (UI), SNAP E&T, Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF), SSI (Supplemental Security Income), and the Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ).
Veterans Employment Services	Employers have quick access to the talents and expertise of veterans and eligible persons, e.g., spouses of deceased/disabled/MIA veterans, to fill job openings.
Wagner-Peyser Employment Services (ES), Agricultural Services and Migrant and Seasonal Farm Worker Services	Acts as liaison between employers and job seekers to ensure employers have access to qualified workers. Provides job matching and recruitment services to employers and job seekers.
Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA)	WIOA helps job seekers and workers access employment, education, training, and support services to succeed in the labor market; and matches employers with the skilled workers they need to compete in the global economy.