

Item:

Pritzker Children's Initiative Community Grant and Early Learning Network Update (Mia Jones)

Requested Action:

The Board is asked to receive this update.

Background:

In partnership with Pritzker Children's Initiative and Alachua County Stakeholders; Early Learning Coalition of Alachua County, Alachua County Department of Health WIC office, and WellFlorida Council, the Children's Trust of Alachua County is working to transform early childhood care and education in Alachua County through the following objectives:

- 1. Increase participation rates of those living <200% FPL in existing federally, state, and locally funded maternal and infant health programs.
- 2. Improve the quality and availability of infant early care and education services by increasing the number of Gold Seal providers.

The goal for 2023 is to expand the early childhood system for Alachua County in a way that moves the community towards system change and collaboration, and the potential for growth and sustainability.

This update will share the impact numbers for 2022 (year 2) and the goal for 2023 (year 3). It will also highlight updates, next steps, and recommendations for expanding the early childhood learning network quality Improvement system.

Programmatic Impact:

Goal 1- All children are born healthy and remain healthy Strategy 1.1 Supporting maternal and child health

Goal 2- All Children can learn what they need to be successful.

Strategy 2.1 Supporting professional development and capacity building.

Strategy 2.2 Supporting youth development

Goal 3- All children have nurturing and supportive caregivers and relationships Strategy 3.1 Supporting initiatives that connect families to resources

Fiscal Impact:

N/A

Recommendation:

Receive the information