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Sacramento Children's Fund

Planning and Oversight Commission Meeting

Agenda

- ❖ Implementation Updates
- ❖ Third-year Review of SIP
- ❖ SCF Timeline & Review Process
- ❖ Discussion of SIP Review topics
- ❖ Option to appoint ad-hoc committees

Implementation Update

- SCF grantees have submitted Quarter 2 Programmatic and Financial Reports
- Programming underway, grantees spending down advance payment
- Harder & Company selected through competitive bid process for a five-year evaluation of the Sacramento Children's Fund
- Staff will take evaluation contractor award to City Council for approval in February
- GBI NOFO closes February 9, 2026. The City is on track to meet the proposed GBI timeline.
- Opening for one additional GBI panelist from the commission- pending conflict review

SCF Evaluation Scope

Harder + Company Community Research 2026 – 2030 (5 years) Evaluation Agreement

Design and implement a multi-year evaluation, learning, and capacity-building initiative to strengthen grantee performance, community engagement, and shared learning for the Sacramento Children's Fund (SCF).

- Establish and refine a Monitoring, Evaluation, and Learning (MEL) framework
- Build grantee capacity through training, coaching, and peer learning
- Facilitate data-driven reflection and continuous improvement
- Create public-facing deliverables (reports, dashboards, briefs)
- Engage stakeholders
(Community, Commissions, CBOs, grantees)
- Performance and Evaluation Reports

May	Commission begins third year review the SIP
June	End of Year 2 of the SIP (7/1/25- 6/30/26)
July	Beginning of Year 3 of the SIP (7/1/26- 6/30/27) GBI grants begin funding
December	End of initial 1.5 agreements-performance review
2027	
June	End of Year 3 of the SIP (7/1/26-6/30/27) Commission completes third-year review/edits
July	Revised SIP approved by City Council Beginning of Year 4 of the SIP (7/1/27- 6/30/28)
Fall	City issues RFP for second round of open grants
December	City takes RFP results to City Council for approval City announces second round of open grants
2028	
January	Funding is distributed to second round open grants awardees Commence next SIP planning process
June	End of Year 4 of the SIP (7/1/27-6/30/28)
July	Beginning of Year 5 of the SIP (7/1/28- 6/30/29)
December	End of Round 1 open grants & Round 2 Year 1
2029	
June	End of Year 5 of the SIP (7/1/28-6/30/29)
December	End of second round open grants for first SIP



Tentative Timeline

Five-Year Strategic Investment Plan by FY

Year 1 – July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025

Year 2 – July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026

Year 3 – July 1, 2026 – June 30, 2027

Year 4 – July 1, 2027 – June 30, 2028

Year 5 – July 1, 2028 – June 30, 2029

Key dates for SIP Review

ACTION ITEM	DATE
SIP Third-Year Review by SCF Commission due (per Measure L)	June 30, 2027
Commission reviews SIP and makes recommended changes	Feb 2026- Feb 2027
Edits, amendments and deletions to the SIP made as a result of the third-year review incorporated into a final Revised SIP	May 2027
Final Revised SIP taken to City Council for adoption	Summer 2027
The City plans to release another RFP for open grants with a two-year grant period	Fall 2027/Winter 2028

SIP Third-Year Review

The commission has the power and duty to:

- (A) In consultation with the Sacramento Youth Commission, develop Five Year Strategic Investment Plans and submit them to the city council for adoption;
- (B) **Conduct a review of each Five-Year Strategic Investment Plan before the end of the third year of that plan;**
- (C) Review and accept annual Service Performance Reports, Three Year Youth Impact Evaluation Reports, Five-Year Youth Impact Performance Reports, and fiscal and performance audit reports; and
- (D) **Make recommendations to the city council as a result of its review of the plans and reports described in subsections (f)(2)(B), (C).**

SIP Third-Year Review Process



Questions?

Discussion

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