Transition-Age Youth Basic Income Pilot Program

Board of Supervisors
May 12, 2020
Item 19
Pilot Program Timeline

- Board approves Supervisor Cortese's pilot program referral (13 Aug. 2019)
- Initial presentation to CSFC (3 Dec. 2019)
- County activates Emergency Operations Center (3 Mar. 2020)
- Shelter in Place Order Issued (16 Mar. 2020)
- Board provided direction on pilot program (21 Apr. 2020)
- Board considers budget and program design & evaluation (12 May 2020)
## Partnerships

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Thought Partners
Transition-Age Youth Formerly in Foster Care

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<th>Age in 2020</th>
<th>Previously Non-Minor Dependents (NMDs)</th>
<th>Left Foster Care Prior to NMD Eligibility</th>
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<td>312</td>
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Pilot Program Eligibility

- 24 Years old as of 4/29/2020
- $1,000 monthly June 2020 through May 2021
- County of Santa Clara dependency case & current resident

Consent to Intake Process

- 72 eligible participants
Program Design

Initial Contact with eligible participants
County’s Department of Family and Children Services

Independent, Outside Evaluator
Mentor/case worker to conduct interviews
Experience with target population or basic income

Participatory Research Model
Robust Intake Questionnaire
Check-Ins every three months
Evaluation Questions

Feasibility of long-term implementation?

Perceived Benefits?

Improved outcomes?

- Financial Stability
- Physical & Emotional Health
- Behaviors & Attitudes
- Long-term Self-Sufficiency

Identify challenges to recovery from COVID-19 Pandemic & Long-term Stability
Anticipated Outcomes

**Near-term:**
- Increased financial stability/decreased financial volatility
- Improved health (well-being and financial health)
- Increased positive behaviors, mindset, and attitudes

**Longer-term:**
- Positive community effects
- Earlier intervention against barriers self-sufficiency
- Insight to inform public services

**COVID-19 PandemicRelated:**
- Earlier intervention
- Insight on challenges unique to TAY Youth
## Pilot Program Budget

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Next Steps

- Gathering: Best practices
- Developing: Outreach strategy
- Working: Operational Decisions
- Preparing: Evaluator Solicitation
- Securing: Financial mentorship
- Identifying: Services
Questions?