



CITY OF OAKLAND

AGENDA REPORT


TO: Jestin D. Johnson
City Administrator

FROM: Lea Lakes
Interim Director Human
Services Department

SUBJECT: OFCY 2024-2025 Final Year End
Independent Annual Evaluation
Report

DATE: April 28, 2026

City Administrator Approval


Jestin Johnson (Apr 30, 2026 09:15:52 PDT)

Date: Apr 30, 2026

RECOMMENDATION

Staff Recommends That The City Council Adopt A Resolution Accepting The Oakland Fund For Children And Youth (OFCY) Final Year End Independent Annual Evaluation Report For Fiscal Year 2024-2025.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Adoption of the proposed Resolution will fulfill Oakland City Council Ordinance [No. 13588 C.M.S.](#) (Oakland City Charter, Article XIII, Section 1305.4) requirement that the Oakland Fund for Children and Youth (OFCY) Planning and Oversight Committee (POC) submit a final year end independent annual evaluation report to the City Council for adoption. The OFCY Final Year End Independent Annual Evaluation Report Fiscal Year (FY) 2024-2025 was prepared by The Bridging Group (TBG) and is included here as **Attachment A**.

The comprehensive final evaluation report includes an overall analysis of program performance, outcomes achieved, impact at the funding strategy level, and contributions towards city-wide goals.

The OFCY annual evaluation report summarizes the prior reporting period following the close of the fiscal year. All FY 2024-2025 data were due by August 15, 2025. Cityspan, the OFCY grant management and database system, prepared all program data and shared it with The Bridging Group for analysis and reporting.

BACKGROUND / LEGISLATIVE HISTORY

The Kids First! Oakland Fund for Children and Youth (OFCY) was first established by a voter initiative approved ballot Measure K in 1996 to set money aside for programs and services benefiting children and youth. The Oakland City Charter establishes the Fund for the purpose of addressing the well-being of Oakland children and youth from birth through age 21 for the period July 1, 2009, through June 30, 2033.

[Article XIII](#) Section 1305.04 assigns the POC the responsibility to adopt a Strategic Plan, solicit funding applications through an open and fair application process, send recommendations for grant awards to the City Council for approval, and submit an annual independent evaluation of OFCY to the Oakland City Council for adoption.

OFCY FY 2024-2025 grants were approved for a third year of funding in the three-year grant cycle established under the OFCY Strategic Investment Plan 2022-2025 by the City Council on June 18, 2024, Resolution No. [90310 C.M.S.](#) The 145 grant awards in FY 2024-2025 totaled \$18,837,382 for Summer Programs and Full Year Programs.

TBG was selected through the competitive RFQ #27034 for Professional Services for the Human Services Department and the Department of Violence Prevention. There were two applicants (including TBG) who submitted complete applications to RFQ #27034 in Category 3: Independent Evaluation of Program Services. The TBG proposal submission was the most responsive and qualified respondent.

On July 1, 2025, the City Council approved Resolution No. [90871 C.M.S.](#) authorizing the execution of a professional services agreement with TBG to perform the Year-End Evaluation Report for FY 2024-2025.

TBG presented the Year-End Evaluation Report for FY 2024-2025 to the POC on February 4, 2026, where it was reviewed and unanimously approved.

ANALYSIS AND POLICY ALTERNATIVES

Programs funded by OFCY provided direct services to 20,801 (unduplicated) children and youth from birth to 21 years of age and 2,591 (unduplicated) parents and caregivers during the FY 2024-2025 program year. OFCY program participants predominantly live in neighborhoods with high levels of community stressors in West, Central, and East Oakland.

Guided by the OFCY's [Strategic Investment Plan for FY 2022-2025](#), programs were funded to address OFCY's legislated goals and contribute to the elimination of racial disparities in outcomes for children, youth, and their families. Most participants were youth of color, with 25% percent identifying as African American/ Black, 48% identifying as Latinx, 9% identifying as Asian or Pacific Islander, and 10% identifying as two or more races.

There are no policy alternatives for consideration.

RELATED PLANNING EFFORTS

This agenda item is a routine item and does not relate to any Oakland strategic planning efforts.

FISCAL IMPACT

This is an informational report. There is no fiscal impact.

PUBLIC OUTREACH / INTEREST

The POC met on February 4, 2026, in a public meeting to review and approve the 2024-2025 independent evaluation report. The POC received public comments prior to accepting and forwarding the final evaluation report to the City Council for consideration.

COORDINATION

In addition to the POC, this report and legislation have been reviewed by the Office of the City Attorney, the Budget Bureau, and the City Administrator's Office.

PAST PERFORMANCE, EVALUATION, AND FOLLOW-UP

The OFCY evaluation supports a continuous quality improvement (CQI) process for program planning, implementation, and grantee performance management. Past performance, as cited in the third-party evaluation reports, is used in part in the determination of funding renewals.

RACE AND EQUITY

OFCY prioritizes services and programming for children, youth, and families with a specific intentionality and focus to address race and equity disparities as reflected in the evaluation report.

ACTION REQUESTED OF THE CITY COUNCIL

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For questions regarding this report, please contact ROBIN LOVE, MANAGER, CHILDREN AND YOUTH SERVICES DIVISION, at (510) 238-3231.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachments (1):
A: OFCY Final Evaluation Report FY 2024-2025