

**Department of Health Services**  
**Report to Human Services Coordinating Council**  
**August 2019**

- Behavioral Health Services – Recovery Happens event on the lawn of the State Capitol on September 9 was a success.
- Correctional Health Services – During the Public Health Advisory Board meeting, they and advocates expressed support for work to health care/behavioral health services within the jail and work on continuity of care.
- GMC - Health Homes Program started July 1, 2019.
- Public Health/EMD – Provided notices regarding rodent infestation at homeless encampment at B Street to post during extermination, and provided letter requesting abatement.
- Public Health – Staff interviewed by media about syndrome of respiratory illness associated with vaping.

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- I. **Announcements:** On July 24, 2019, Paula and Dr. Orkand met with Dr. Browning, Supervisor Kennedy, and school representatives from San Juan Unified, Elk Grove, and Sacramento City Unified School Districts. The school representatives responded well and the meeting was well received. Dr. Browning will work with the school districts to see how this material can be incorporated into the curricula.
- II. **Public Health Update:** Mandatory Masking: Handouts provided regarding Flu Vaccines and Masking Mandates. Budget: Application for Accreditation budget request of 35K did not move forward to the BOS. Handouts provided.
- III. **Primary Health Update:** Emergency Medical Services: Proposed programs were approved by BOS on 8/6/19. Newly formed oversight committee named “Emergency Medical Advisory Group” has had its first meeting. The focus of this group is EMS Agency fiscal sustainability, quality of care (data) and program planning. Initiation of an annual report for stakeholders in progress. Women, Infants and Children: Pending report completion. Adult Correctional Health: An overview of Adult Correctional Health services in the County jails is scheduled for the September PHAB meeting. Medi-Cal Managed Care: Countywide enrollment in GMC Managed Care as of June 2019 is over 428,000. The State is working on a Preventive Services Utilization Report. They are currently evaluating metrics for inclusion. Corrective actions and sanctions will likely be a part of monitoring. CHCF is finalizing its paper on the GMC model. It focuses on Sacramento and San Diego counties and how GMC compares to other urban plans. It should be released sometime this month.
- IV. **Guest Presentation:** Steve Girdlestone, Sergeant, Homicide Bureau Supervisor; Centralized Investigations Division; Sacramento County Sheriff’s Office  
**Gun Violence in Sacramento County**
  - Several years ago, Sacramento had between 50-60 homicides per year. Gun Violence in Sacramento County, has dropped in all violent crime categories (Homicide, Rape, Robbery, Aggravated Assault). In 2018, there was a 25% decrease in total gun violence when compared to the previous year (2017). Trends are similar for the Sacramento Police Department. This information does not include Rancho Cordova as they have their own detective Bureau so they do not show up on the county’s UCR’s. Suppression teams such as Problem Oriented Policing (POP) are out in the community being proactive, and doing great work to aid in further reducing violent crimes.
  - Over the last 5 years, gun related crime accounts for 23.7% of all violent crimes in the County. In 2018, gun related crime dropped to 20% of all violent crime, down from 26% in 2016.
  - From 2014-2018, there was a 59% increase in firearm seizures by the Sacramento County Sheriff’s Department. Many types of firearms were seized and booked into property. Firearm seizures include hand-guns, assault weapons, rifles, and shotguns. Hardly any violent crimes in Sacramento County involve conceal and carry weapons.
  - Note: Marijuana is huge now—recently, 40-60 percent of Sacramento homicides include youth from several Sacramento neighborhoods including Carmichael, Elk Grove, etc. Youth are dying over purchasing small amounts of marijuana whereas other drugs like Meth and Cocaine, currently do not seem to involve much violent crime.
- V. **Public Comment:** The National Prescription Medication Take Back Program takes place twice annually (April and October); law enforcement agencies go to sites, and the public is invited to safely dispose of prescription medications. The next event is scheduled for October 26, 2019.

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### **Strategic Plan**

The various projects detailed in the Plan are being tracked monthly by the Executive Committee and most are on schedule. There will be a discussion and update at the September General Meeting.

### **General Meeting**

We are reviewing the Black Parallel School Board data relative to inequality of races and suspension rates. We will be coming up with recommendations. The September budget has been reviewed and a letter was prepared and submitted to the Board. The annual CPS Oversight Committee and Child Death Review Team reports were presented to the BOS.

### **Children's Trust Fund**

All 3 contractors are pretty much on schedule. We will be funding CAPC to do the Oversight Committee Report next year, which relieves a significant amount of staff time which is needed to support other Coalition activities. Contractors will provide a yearly report to the entire Coalition.

Ernie Brown, Sacramento County Children's Coalition

## FIRST 5 SACRAMENTO COMMISSION

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### **HIGHLIGHTS OF LAST COMMISSION MEETING – August 5, 2019**

- Approve 2021 Strategic Plan Consulting Contract
- Amend Persimmony Contract for Data Management Services
- Approve Final Budget and 10 Year Financial Plan for FY19/20
- Presentation: Help Me Grow

### **HIGHLIGHTS OF UPCOMING MEETING – October 7, 2019**

- Amend CalWORKs Home Visiting Contract for Additional Funding
- Review and Adopt F5 Sacramento FY18/19 Annual Report
- Receive 2021 Strategic Planning Update
- Presentation: F5 Sacramento Sustainability Plan Evaluation

## **STATE AND LOCAL UPDATES**

### **Early Childhood Assembly Committee Meeting**

On August 13<sup>th</sup>, First 5 Sacramento and several early childhood advocates were invited to participate in a select Assembly Committee on Early Childhood Development at the State Capitol. Convened by Assemblymember Rudy Salas of Bakersfield, this informational hearing focused on intervention services for children with special needs. Keynote on the agenda was the First 5 Association discussing the statewide Help Me Grow model and the integral role First 5's play in providing screenings and referrals.

### **First 5 Association launches two online resources**

**The First 5 Center for Children's Policy:** This is an initiative of the California Children and Families Foundation, the sister organization of First 5 Association. The aim of the First 5 Center is to research, then promote, policies and practices that will strengthen systems for children ages 0-5 in California. Drawing from the assets, experiences and expertise of the 58 First 5 commissions, the Center offers a unique research voice, expertise in communicating with policymakers and creating systems change to improve the health and development of young children. More information at [first5center.org](http://first5center.org)

**All Together Now:** This statewide movement is a collective campaign to amplify the need to make policies, practices, and systems better for California's kids. It brings advocates of all types, including parents and families, from across the state together to ensure young kids are prioritized in policy and budget decisions.

The All Together Now website ([alltogethernowca.org](http://alltogethernowca.org)) offers messaging, fact sheets, graphics, and social media assets in areas of developmental screening, early intervention, paid family leave, home visiting, and early learning. There is an option to sign on to receive updates to stay current on opportunities to push out early childhood messaging for use with community and statewide partners.

### **Census 2020 Update**

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First 5 and several partner agencies formed a 0-5 Hard-to -Count (HTC) Committee earlier this year to focus on local outreach for the 2020 Census. The group will meet this fall to review the draft outreach plan, how best to implement it, resources needed, and resources available through the Complete Count Committee and First 5 Association.

The Sacramento Complete Count Committee is coordinating a 2020 Census Community Outreach Training for agency front line staff on September 24, 2019. More information at [census2020.saccounty.net](http://census2020.saccounty.net)

## **FIRST 5 SACRAMENTO UPDATES**

### **Sac Business Journal Partnership**

In our continued partnership with SBJ, we are utilizing an online platform called The Hub to further engage with local businesses. The articles highlight our sustainability work and the connection between non-profits and business:

- What does nonprofit sustainability look like?
- 6 sustainability tools nonprofits need to incorporate for long-term success

The two articles are available at:

[www.bizjournals.com/sacramento/news/partners/preparing-for-the-future](http://www.bizjournals.com/sacramento/news/partners/preparing-for-the-future). There is also a digital ad component that ties in nicely and reinforces the First 5 message: "Investing in children and families makes economic cents".