

1 [Department of Children, Youth and Their Families 2016 Community Needs
2 Assessment and 2018-2023 Services Allocation Plan]

3 **Resolution approving the 2016 Community Needs Assessment and 2018-2023**
4 **Services Allocation Plan developed by the Department of Children, Youth and**
5 **Their Families in accordance with Charter, Section 16.108.**

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7 WHEREAS, On November 7, 2014, the voters of San Francisco overwhelmingly
8 reauthorized the Children and Youth Fund (Charter, Section 16.108) which enabled the
9 Department of Children, Youth and Their Families (DCYF) to build on the previous
10 successes of the Fund and enhanced DCYF’s funding capacity for the future; and

11 WHEREAS, The revised legislation expanded the scope of the Children and
12 Youth Fund to include 1) an increase in the earmarked property tax revenue to four
13 cents for each \$100 of assessed property value by fiscal year 2018-2019, 2) expanded
14 the use of the Children and Youth Fund to provide services to disconnected transitional
15 age youth (TAY) aged 18-24 years as well as children birth to 17 years old and their
16 families, and 3) extended the tenure of the Fund for 25 years, to sunset at the end of
17 fiscal year 2040-2041; and

18 WHEREAS, The provisions of the Children and Youth Fund set forth a five-year
19 planning process for spending, and the process is intended to: 1) increase
20 transparency, accountability, and public engagement; 2) provide time and opportunity
21 for community participation and planning; 3) ensure program stability; and 4) maximize
22 the effectiveness of the services fund; and

23 WHEREAS, The first step of the five-year planning process mandates DCYF to
24 conduct and develop the 2016 Community Needs Assessment (CNA). The CNA
25 engaged young people, parents, service providers and City agencies to examine the

1 issues, challenges and opportunities facing San Francisco’s children, youth, transitional
2 age youth and their families. Sources of assessment data included community
3 discussions, youth and adult focus groups and surveys, evaluation of funded agencies,
4 existing statistical data and input from city departments and community leaders; and

5 WHEREAS, The 2016 Community Needs Assessment was structured around
6 five areas of service need in San Francisco and highlights the disparities between
7 populations across the city along the five interconnected areas of the Our Children, Our
8 Families Outcomes Framework: 1) Economic Security and Housing Stability; 2) Safe &
9 Nurturing Environments; 3) Physical, Emotional, & Mental Health; 4) 21st Century
10 Learning Environment; and 5) Post-Secondary Education & Career Paths; and

11 WHEREAS, DCYF began the 2018-2023 Services Allocation Plan process by
12 highlighting results that we believe reflect fundamental conditions that should be present
13 for children, youth and families in San Francisco; DCYF’s four results were based in the
14 research and community input presented in our Community Needs Assessment and
15 align with the major goals in the Our Children, Our Families (OCOF) Outcomes
16 Framework; and

17 WHEREAS, The SAP establishes funding priorities and desired outcomes over
18 the next five-year funding cycle to remain focused on funding the services most likely to
19 positively influence these four results: 1) Children and Youth are supported by nurturing
20 families and communities; 2) Children and youth are physically and emotionally healthy;
21 3) Children and youth are ready to learn and succeed in school; and 4) Youth are ready
22 for college, work and productive adulthood; and

23 WHEREAS, DCYF held public hearings on the 2018-2023 Services Allocation
24 Plan before the DCYF Oversight and Advisory Committee and the DCYF Services

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1 Provider Working Group and involved key stakeholders, such as community-based
2 organizations, the San Francisco Unified School District and other city departments, to
3 gather feedback and build support; and

4 WHEREAS, DCYF is committed to taking a leadership role in implementing the
5 recommendations of the 2018-2023 Services Allocation Plan; to facilitate joint planning
6 at all levels; to involve the community; to employ strategies that are equitable, inclusive,
7 transparent, well informed and driven by the needs of children, youth, transitional age
8 youth and families; and to strengthen the service delivery system for all children, youth,
9 transitional age youth and their families; and

10 WHEREAS, San Francisco's prosperity depends on our ability to ensure that all
11 children, youth, transitional age youth and their families have the opportunity to thrive;
12 when children grow up healthy, obtain a quality education, and live in safe, supportive
13 homes and communities, they have a solid foundation for a productive future; and,

14 WHEREAS, In accordance with Charter, Section 16.108, DCYF has submitted to
15 the Board of Supervisors the 2016 Community Needs Assessment and the 2018-2023
16 Services Allocation Plan; now, therefore, be it

17 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San
18 Francisco approves the 2016 Community Needs Assessment and the 2018-2023
19 Services Allocation Plan developed and submitted by the Department of Children, Youth
20 and Their Families.

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