

**TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION REGIONAL PARTNERSHIP COUNCIL**

**Please describe how the Regional Partnership Council's SFY24-27 Strategic Plan promotes equity and support of under-resourced and underserved children and their families.**

Throughout the planning process, the Tohono O'odham Nation Regional Partnership Council discussed barriers for community members to equitably access high-quality early learning information and related resources. Through previous tribal consultations and discussions with tribal leaders and tribal department administrators, the Tohono O'odham Nation Regional Partnership Council's State Fiscal Year 2024-2027 (SFY24-27) strategic plan reflects alignment with the goals and opportunities identified by the Tohono O'odham Nation. Several new strategies have been identified, which will build upon the region's strengths to expand capacity, increasing equitable access to early childhood related resources that complement the strategic direction of the Tohono O'odham Nation.

- Acknowledging there are inequities in the books and materials that are available to young children on the Tohono O'odham Nation that reflect their language, culture and history, the regional council supports the development of materials centering O'odham language and culture as well as community based language and literacy workshops throughout the region.
- Knowing that internet and cell phone service availability varies widely throughout the region, the regional council supports partnering with KOHN radio, Tohono O'odham Nation's licensed radio station, to increase awareness of early childhood health and development information and services through radio ads and community conversations and to link families to those resources. KOHN delivers timely and trusted educational, cultural and local programming and information throughout the entire region.
- Recognizing the multifaceted and disproportionate impacts that the COVID-19 pandemic has had on young children, families and caregivers in the region, the regional council prioritized the emotional well-being of young children and their families ensuring mental and behavioral health learning sessions are available for those caring for young children including parents and guardians, early learning providers and system partners such as librarians, first responders and pediatricians.

**Regional Allocation and Proposed Funding Plan Summary SFY24 – SFY27  
Tohono O’odham Nation Regional Partnership Council**

Allocations and Funding Sources	2024	2025	2026	2027
FY Allocation	\$438,521	\$438,521	\$263,788	\$452,924
Population Based Allocation	\$290,042	\$290,042	\$262,157	\$290,042
Discretionary Allocation	\$148,479	\$148,479	\$1,631	\$162,882
Carry Forward From Previous Year	\$147,369	\$311,006	\$464,282	\$340,414
<b>Total Regional Council Funds Available</b>	<b>\$585,890</b>	<b>\$749,527</b>	<b>\$728,070</b>	<b>\$793,338</b>
Strategies	Allotted	Allotted	Allotted	Proposed Allotted
Early Learning Systems Change	\$60,000	\$60,000	-	-
Quality First Academy	\$4,000	\$3,681	\$3,520	\$3,520
Quality First Coaching & Incentives	\$74,800	\$70,288	\$70,280	\$70,280
Quality First Scholarships	\$123,699	\$123,699	\$131,699	\$131,699
Child Care Health Consultation	\$27,200	\$32,031	\$31,700	\$31,700
Children's Health Systems Change	\$8,000	\$8,000	-	-
Family Support & Literacy Systems Change	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$4,000	\$4,000
Family Support Coordination	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$225,000	\$225,000
Language, Literacy and Culture in Tribal Communities	\$70,000	\$70,000	\$105,000	\$105,000
Statewide Evaluation	\$18,808	\$18,808	\$18,808	\$18,808
Educational Promotion and Brand Awareness	\$2,100	\$2,196	\$4,196	\$4,196
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$490,607</b>	<b>\$490,703</b>	<b>\$594,203</b>	<b>\$594,203</b>

Fiscal Year	2020	2024	2025	2026	2027
% to Board Priorities		94.53 %	94.53 %	96.83 %	96.83 %
% to Quality First*	20.75%	21.60 %	21.60 %	17.75 %	17.75 %
Fiscal Year	4 Year Average				
% to Board Priorities	95.79%				
% to Quality First*	19.49%				

\*Includes Quality First Academy, Quality First Assessment, Quality First Coaching and Incentives and Child Care Health Consultation.

Justification for not meeting 2020 Quality First %: The number of providers enrolled in Quality First in the region has not decreased, however, due to the increase in quality ratings and thus decrease in implementation costs, and the model cost savings, the SFY27 investment in the strategy does not equal or exceed those of SFY20 as required by the Board.