



**CITY OF MONROVIA
COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION
AGENDA REPORT**

DEPARTMENT: Community Services

MEETING DATE: July 13, 2021

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AGENDA LOCATION: AR-1

TITLE: 2020-2021 Options for Learning Annual Report

OBJECTIVE: The purpose of this report is to provide the Community Services Commission with the 2020 – 2021 Options for Learning Annual Report for the programs operating in Recreation Park and Rotary Park.

BACKGROUND: The City and Options for Learning have long-standing lease agreements for use of land space at Recreation Park and Rotary Park to conduct full day preschool, Headstart, Surround Care, and Child Care / Family Child Care Home Education Network (FCCHE) programs. These programs are designed to provide children with opportunities to strengthen all areas of development.

Recreation Park

The City and Options for Learning have had a lease agreement for use of Recreation Park since 1989. The purpose of this lease is to provide space for a mobile classroom. This classroom houses the Options for Learning Headstart program. This program services children 3 – 5 years old and focuses on providing opportunities for children to learn in a classroom environment.

During the annual update in 2019-2020, Staff learned Options for Learning was in need of a larger space to serve more children in our community. Since then Staff has been working with Options for Learning for a proposed expansion. Due to the pandemic this project has been delayed; however, staff continue to work with the Options for Learning team.

Rotary Park

The City and Options for Learning have had a lease agreement for use of Rotary Park since 1987. The purpose of this lease is to provide land space for the Options for Learning Full Day Preschool Program.

ANALYSIS: The lease agreements, which end on June 30, 2021 and have four 1-year automatic renewals, stipulates that Options for Learning provide an annual report of their services. The report received from Options includes data on: populations served, parental education, volunteer data, nutrition information, classroom activities, and learning. The report also provides an overview of data, specifically, the number of children enrolled in the programs, number of families enrolled, number of Monrovia Residents enrolled, and the number of volunteer hours.

The following information summaries the 2020-2021 annual report:

Options for Learning Programs	Full Day Preschool	Headstart	FCCHE
Number of Children Enrolled	18	17	46
Number of Families	16	17	21
Number of Children below Poverty Level	8	10	5

Number of Monrovia Residents	6	10	32
Number of Non-Residents	10	7	14
Number of Volunteer Hours	0	0	N/A

The full report, provided by Options for Learning, can be found in Attachment A.

In addition, the City has partnered with Options for Learning over the last year, to promote their services and programs in the Monrovia Today to the community.

OPTIONS: The Community Services Commission has the following options to consider:

1. Receive and file the 2020 – 2021 Options for Learning Annual Report.
2. Request additional information from staff.

RECOMMENDATIONS: Staff recommends the Community Services Commission move to receive and file, AR-1 2020 – 2021 Options for Learning Annual Report.

COMMISSION ACTION REQUIRED: If Community Services Commission concurs, the appropriate action would be a motion to: Receive and file 2020 – 2021 Options for Learning Annual Report as outlined in this report.