

From: [Michelle Crocker](#)
To: [Board of Commissioners](#)
Cc: [Alison Middleton](#); [Chet Janik](#)
Subject: FW: In support for Early Childhood Development Funding
Date: Tuesday, September 21, 2021 12:29:10 PM

Commissioners,

Please see Public Comment below for tonight's meeting.

Michelle

From: Dana Greensky <dmgreensky@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, September 21, 2021 10:25 AM
To: Michelle Crocker <mcrocker@leelanau.gov>; cjanek@leelanau.gov
Subject: In support for Early Childhood Development Funding

Dear Leelanau County Commissioners,

I am writing to support the continued funding of the county's Early Childhood Development programs. Having had access to these services while my children were newborns and toddlers up through Pre-K, I can tell you the information/data shared with me regarding the pre-frontal cortex of a child's brain and its development in general is something that I am reminded of daily (still) as I navigate raising my children through their now teenage years. Had I not had exposure to this type of education as a parent (that was provided to me through the Leelanau Children's Center and the Parenting Communities), I cannot tell you in full confidence that we would have been able to make it through some of the experiences that we have been able to have since moved past. There are certain keys this program stresses/focuses on that instill resiliency within families and are still much needed within this community. Please keep funding them.

I am from the Sutton's Bay Area, I myself grew up here, I still have family, nieces, nephews, friends, neighbor kids who I believe will benefit greatly from these program/services.

Sincerely,

Dana M. Greensky

(Please include this request/email to the record for this board meeting)