Our Vision
The vision of the Task Force is to ensure that all families who live work or attend school in Santa Monica have access to affordable, high quality childcare and early education, and that those who provide these services are appropriately educated and compensated.

Welcome and Introductions: Shari Davis convened the meeting.

Attendees:
- Judy Abdo
- Carolina Alvarez
- Liliana Alvarez Hernandez
- Gabby Avila
- McKenna Belgarde
- Namaan Cordova
- Liz Cruz
- Shari Davis
- Veronica Garcia
- Louise Jaffe
- Sharlene Joachim
- Iao Katagiri
- Kathryn Kuznitsky
- Heidy Lara
- Sonia Madix
- Robin Masnicoff
- Patti Oblath
- Terry Ogawa
- Susan Samarge-Powell
- Lara Sando
- David Sonnenschein
- Lenore St. John
- Ben Swett
- Julie Taren
- Laila Taslimi
- Liliana Velasquez Lin
- Judith Villasenor

City of Santa Monica, Human Services Staff:
- Ivy Chang
- Natasha Kingscote
- Setareh Yavari

Guest Speaker: SMPD Chief Cynthia Renaud
- Chief Renaud presented on her background and SMPD’s efforts to grow and support the next generation.
- Community relationships are crucial, beginning with the family.
- There is a priority to keep families together whenever possible and assess services that can be brought in to help them.
- The Task Force expressed a desire to continue to collaborate/brainstorm with SMPD and inquired about future funding allocations towards work to prevent a “playground to prison” pipeline.

Announcements
- There was a great turnout at the Wellbeing Summit, which included a comprehensive panel by members of the ECTF.
- Save the date for the next annual RAND conference March 30.
- Today is International Children’s Day.
- The City’s Budget Task Force had their first meeting on Monday, November 18.
Guest Speakers: LA County Fiscal Analysis of Child Care Funding - Jeanna Capito & Terry Ogawa

- Terry Ogawa introduced Jeanna Capito to present the findings from the LA County Fiscal Analysis of Child Care Funding, which evaluated how funds for childcare come into the County, the different municipalities with investments, who are the children being served, and what kind of funds are being underutilized (and returned) at the federal level.
- The study utilized community profiling and the gathering of data across the county to get a good mix of provider data.
- This model is tailorable so it can focus in on Santa Monica.
- This information can help to determine how many children are being served, what opportunities exist, and how to better leverage funding.
- Recommendations with actionable steps fall into three categories: 1) maximizing and fully using current revenue streams, 2) fully utilizing existing structures (County offices, technical assistance), 3) and improving access and quality.

- The full report will be available on December 6.

Adjournment – Meeting adjourned by Shari Davis.