



**Health & Human Services
Agency
COUNTY OF TULARE
AGENDA ITEM**

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AGENDA DATE: April 3, 2018

Public Hearing Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Scheduled Public Hearing w/Clerk	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Published Notice Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Advertised Published Notice	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Meet & Confer Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Electronic file(s) has been sent	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>
Budget Transfer (Aud 308) attached	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Personnel Resolution attached	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Agreements are attached and signature line for Chairman is marked with tab(s)/flag(s)	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>

CONTACT PERSON: Anita Ortiz PHONE: 624-8000

SUBJECT: Approve an agreement with Aspiranet

REQUEST(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve an agreement with Aspiranet for the provision of a pre and post adoption services program in the amount not to exceed \$130,000 effective July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019; and
2. Authorize the Chairman of the Board to sign three (3) copies of the agreement.

SUMMARY:

The Tulare County Health and Human Services Agency Child Welfare Services (CWS), is requesting to contract with Aspiranet for pre and post adoption services. The agreement provides community-based family support services for families that are planning to adopt or have already adopted, a child out of foster care. Services intend to: promote safety and well-being of children and their families, increase strength and stability of families, increase parents' confidence in their parenting abilities, afford children a safe, stable, and supportive family environment, strengthen parental relationships, and otherwise enhance child development.

In December 2014, the Tulare County Board of Supervisors designated the Tulare County Child Protection Planning Council (CPPC) as the primary approval body for the Office of Child Abuse Prevention funding source: Promoting Safe and Stable Families. The CPPC and the Tulare County Child Abuse Prevention Council have a Joint Allocations Committee to conduct a shared planning process of allocating Child Abuse Prevention, Intervention, and Treatment funds, Community-Based

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Child Abuse Prevention funds, County Children's Trust Funds, and Promoting Safe and Stable Families funds. The CPPC recommends the Board approve this agreement with Aspiranet to provide pre and post adoption services funded by Promoting Safe and Stable Families (PSSF).

The Aspiranet pre and post adoption services program coincides with the Tulare County's 2017-2022 Integrated System Improvement Plan in compliance with the California Outcomes and Accountability System to improve outcomes for children. Through this agreement, services will be provided to an estimated one hundred and sixth (160) children and fifty-five (55) families.

This agreement did not include a Request For Proposal process because Aspiranet is the only provider in Tulare County that offers post adoption services.

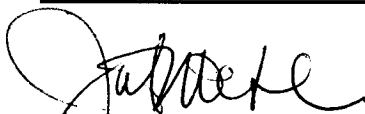
FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

Funding for this agreement in the amount not to exceed \$130,000 will be included in the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 budget. This agreement is funded through the PSSF, a flexible federal funding source for an array of services for families with children. The program is a critical component for reaching the goals of the Adoption and Safe Families Act of 1997 (Subpart 2, Section 430). There will be no additional net cost to the County General Fund.

LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF TULARE STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN:

The County's five-year strategic plan includes the Quality of Life initiative that encourages innovative provisions of quality supportive services to at-risk youth and children in state and federally mandated programs. Aspiranet pre and post adoption services provide community resources to preserve adoption placement and keep children from re-entering CWS. This agreement increases the ability to fulfill that obligation.

ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:



Juliet Webb

Director of Human Services

cc: Auditor-Controller
County Counsel
County Administrative Office (2)

Attachment(s) Agreement

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF TULARE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

**IN THE MATTER OF APPROVE AN
AGREEMENT WITH ASPIRANET**

) Resolution No. _____
) Agreement No. _____

UPON MOTION OF SUPERVISOR _____, SECONDED BY
SUPERVISOR _____, THE FOLLOWING WAS ADOPTED BY THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AT AN OFFICIAL MEETING HELD _____
_____, BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT:

ATTEST: MICHAEL C. SPATA
COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER/
CLERK, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BY: _____
Deputy Clerk

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