

# Health & Human Services Agency COUNTY OF TULARE AGENDA ITEM

#### **BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

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| AGENDA I | DATE: | April 3, | 2018 |
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| Public Hearing Required               | Yes    | □ N/A ⊠                     |
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| Scheduled Public Hearing w/Clerk      | Yes    | □ N/A 🛱                     |
| Published Notice Required             | Yes    | □ N/A 🛱                     |
| Advertised Published Notice           | Yes    |                             |
| Meet & Confer Required                | Yes    | □ N/A ⊠                     |
| Electronic file(s) has been sent      | Yes    | N/A                         |
| Budget Transfer (Aud 308) attached    | Yes    | □ N/A 🕅                     |
| Personnel Resolution attached         | Yes    | □ N/A 🛱                     |
| Agreements are attached and signature | e line | for Chairman is marked with |
| tab(s)/flag(s)                        | Yes    | ⊠ N/A □                     |
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| CONTACT PERSON: Anita Guerrero PH     | IONE:  | 624-8082                    |
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SUBJECT:

Approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Pioneer Home

Outreach, Inc. Foster Family Agency

#### REQUEST(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

- 1. Approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Pioneer Home Outreach, Inc. Foster Family Agency to provide services on behalf of Tulare County Child Welfare Service's foster children through cooperation, collaboration, and sharing of appropriate information effective upon Board approval and signature through June 30, 2019; and
- 2. Authorize the Chairman of the Board to sign three (3) copies each of the Memorandum of Understanding.

#### **SUMMARY:**

Tulare County Health & Human Services Agency, Child Welfare Services Division has mandates from statutory codes that require placement of a child in a safe and caring foster home when a child is removed from his or her home due to abuse, neglect, and/or exploitation. Welfare and Institutions Code Section 16500 states, "The Legislation hereby declares its intent in providing for this statewide system of child welfare services that all children are entitled to be safe and free from abuse and neglect." As part of this legislation, Child Welfare Services monitors each foster family agency when any Tulare County foster child is placed in any of the County's foster homes for compliance with the delivery of services and placement regulations. Child Welfare Services meets quarterly with participating foster family agencies to ensure children are receiving quality services.

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The Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) does not require a competitive Request for Proposal, as any foster family agency may request to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding.

The goal of the MOU is to provide a collaborative approach for the delivery of safe, secure, and compassionate homes that meet placement regulations and court ordered case plan services for foster children in Tulare County when removed from their home.

The following term deviates substantively from standard County boilerplate: This MOU has terms of multiple years commencing upon Board approval and signature through June 30, 2019.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:**

There is 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 will support monitoring of a foster family agency foster home for Tulare County foster children. The Memoranda of Understanding will encourage and support an innovative provision of quality supportive services for at-risk youth and children placed in the foster family agency foster homes. The quality of life for these at-risk youth and children will be improved with the support of the Memorandum of Understanding to be safe and free from abuse and neglect while placed in the foster family agency foster homes.

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:**

Juliet Webb

Director of Human Services

Cc: Auditor-Controller

County Counsel

County Administrative Office (2)

Attachment(s): Memorandum of Understanding

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

| IN THE MATTER OF APPROVE A  MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH  PROME OUTPEACH, INC. 500759   |
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| PIONEER HOME OUTREACH, INC. FOSTER ) 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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