



Health & Human Services Agency COUNTY OF TULARE AGENDA ITEM

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AGENDA DATE: May 15, 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 Family Services of Tulare County

REQUEST(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve an agreement with Family Services of Tulare County in an amount not to exceed \$103,284 for the provision of supportive services including the operation of a youth center for the intervention and prevention of Commercially Sexually Exploited Children effective from 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 Preventing Sex Trafficking and Strengthening Families Act of 2014 (Public Law 113-183) contains federally mandated activities associated with identifying and protecting children and youth at risk of sex trafficking. Effective January 1, 2016, California passed Senate Bill 794 requiring the conforming changes to implement this federal act.

The commercial sexual exploitation of children is a global problem and it is also occurring in the County of Tulare. Commercial sexual exploitation of children is a crime and it occurs when an individual buys, trades, or sells sexual acts with a child.

Given the traumatic and coercive situations many of these youth have endured, service providers must establish an environment of safety and trust. Developing a supportive therapeutic alliance is necessary. The establishment of a youth center

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that provides an array of therapeutic, social and supportive services will fulfill the needs of Commercially Sexually Exploited Children (CSEC) youth and provide preventative measures and protection.

The youth center, operated by Family Services, will be partially funded by this agreement with a full time CSEC Youth Program coordinator, full-time Therapist and Clinical Services Manager.

Referrals for youth center services will be provided by Tulare County Child Welfare Services and the center will also serve as a "safe haven" drop-in center for CSEC youth. Family Services of Tulare County will serve 60 youth that have been identified as CSEC or at-risk of CSEC. This does not include walk-in services.

This agreement did not include a Request for Proposal process due to the lack of established providers. Family Services of Tulare County was selected based on their expertise in these specific areas. This vendor is the only vendor in the area with the ability to provide the required services under this agreement.

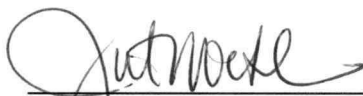
FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

The expansion of the CSEC Support program is funded entirely through the State General Fund and the Federal government. Funding for this agreement in the amount of \$103,284 will be included in the Fiscal Year 2018/2019 proposed budget. There will be no additional net County Cost to the General Fund.

LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF TULARE STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN:

The County's five-year strategic plan includes the Safety and Security, Quality of Life, and Economic Well-Being initiatives. Investing in prevention and intervention of CSEC, and providing a safe center for at-risk youth achieves those initiatives. Providing this resource, and educating youth about the dangers of human trafficking, will enable them to live a better quality of life and have economic well-being. 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) Resolution No. _____
AGREEMENT WITH FAMILY SERVICES OF) Agreement No. _____
TULARE COUNTY)

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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