



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

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AGENDA DATE: May 22, 2018 **REVISED**

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: Vienna Barnes PHONE: 624-8075				

SUBJECT: Approve an agreement with Community Services and Employment Training, Inc.

REQUEST(S):
That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve an agreement with Community Service and Employment Training, Inc. for administration of the Housing Support Program in an amount not to exceed \$382,088 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:
Tulare County's impoverished economy and its large number of CalWORKs recipients, demonstrate that it is a County in dire need of CalWORKs Housing Support funding. In 2015, the most recent data available, Tulare County was identified as having the highest rate of poverty among all 58 California counties. Our county consistently ranks within the top five among all California counties for the number of CalWORKs homeless assistance requests. In 2017, Tulare County averaged more than 340 individuals each month turning to the TulareWORKs program for homeless assistance, which is a significant increase from the 2016 calendar year. It is also important to note that program regulations implemented in January of 2017 changed program eligibility criteria from a one-application-per-lifetime restriction to allowing eligible clients to apply once every twelve months.

The TulareWORKs Housing Support Program will leverage program expertise and services by contracting the program to Community Service and Employment

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Training, Inc. Since 2010, Community Service and Employment Training, Inc. (CSET) has been funded to provide case management and housing assistance under the Homeless Prevention and Rapid Re-housing Program funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009; their partnership with the City of Visalia in delivering the Permanent Supportive Housing Program has demonstrated their ability to deliver a housing support program. Through the provision of this and other supportive housing and assistance programs, CSET has established partnerships and program infrastructure as well as access to affordable housing which is vital to the success of the TulareWORKs Housing Support Program.

In August 2015, the Tulare County Health and Human Services Agency, Human Services Branch, submitted a proposal to the California Department of Social Services for funds to implement the Housing Support Program. Each year, the State of California asks the County to complete a funding request application to apply for funding. The Human Services Branch submitted its application on October 30, 2017 for funding for the 2018/2019 fiscal year, and is expecting to receive a letter from the State of California sometime in July with approval of funds in the amount of \$382,088. These funds will cover the entire cost of this agreement with CSET.

This agreement did not include a Request For Proposal because we are currently contracted with CSET for administration of this housing support program, and they have demonstrated effective program administration. Given CSET's demonstrated ability to meet program guidelines and requirements, and the successful administration of other similar housing programs, a continued partnership with CSET ensures a seamless continuation of the current program using existing policies and resources.

Under the current agreement, CSET has received 105 program referrals and has assisted in housing 29 families through February 9, 2018. With the renewed agreement for the 2018/2019 fiscal year, we will serve up to 75 homeless CalWORKs families that do not qualify for other homeless assistance under the CalWORKs program.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

This agreement, not to exceed \$382,088, is funded with State and Federal funds and is included in the proposed 2018/2019 Fiscal Year budget. There is no additional net cost to the County General Fund.

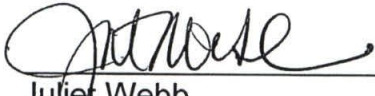
LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF TULARE STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN:

The County's five-year strategic plan includes the Quality of Life Initiative that encourages innovative provision of quality supportive services for at-risk adults, youth and children in state and federally mandated programs. This agreement increases the ability to fulfill that obligation by providing housing support for those who do not qualify for other homeless assistance through CalWORKs.

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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 COMMUNITY) Resolution No. _____
SERVICES AND EMPLOYMENT TRAINING,) Agreement No. _____
INC.)

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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