



# Health & Human Services Agency COUNTY OF TULARE AGENDA ITEM

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AGENDA DATE:	September 11,	2018
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Public Hearing Required Scheduled Public Hearing w/Clerk Published Notice Required Advertised Published Notice County Counsel Sign-Off Meet & Confer Required Electronic file(s) has been sent Budget Transfer (Aud 308) attached Personnel Resolution attached Agreements are attached and signature tab(s)/flag(s) 3 CONTACT PERSON: Vienna Barnes PHC	Yes
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SUBJECT:

Approve an agreement with Community Services & Employment

Training, Inc.

#### REQUEST(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

- Approve an agreement with Community Services & Employment Training, Inc. for the Youth Transitions Program in the amount not to exceed \$758,325 effective from October 1, 2018, through September 30, 2019; and
- 2. Authorize the Chairman of the Board to sign three (3) copies of the agreement.

#### SUMMARY:

Tulare County recognizes there is a significant population of youth (ages 16-21) that are at risk for one or more of the following: gang involvement, suicide, school dropout/truancy, drug abuse, pregnant/parenting teens, homelessness, etc. Tulare County believes that these youths, and the community as a whole, will benefit from a program that provides work experience, mentors, and encouragement to obtain and retain meaningful employment. In keeping with the goals of the County's Step Up program to provide more opportunities for at-risk youth, the County would like to continue the Youth Transitions Program. The County designates the Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA) as the lead agency for the Youth Transitions Program; however, work experience sites for this program may be established within any County department.

The services provided by Community Services & Employment Training (CSET) to

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the youth in the Youth Transitions Program will include, but are not limited to: preparing youth for working at Tulare County job sites using assessment, orientation, and appropriate trainings about work ethics, proper work attire, sexual harassment, behavior, and performance expectations. Applicable training and workshops for enrollees include, but are not limited to: interviewing skills, application completion, resume creation, dressing for success, and workplace ethics. CSET provides youth/program monitoring at work sites on a consistent basis.

In addition to the continued focus on the target group of at-risk youth, Youth Transitions will expand work experience opportunities for the young leaders identified from the #LEAD (Leading, Educating, Advocating, and Dedication) Program. HHSA's established partnership with CSET for the #LEAD Program provides opportunities for employment to help stop the cycle of dependency on government assistance and provide other pathways to self-sufficiency.

Under the 2017/2018 agreement, Youth Transitions has served 51 youth through July 2018, twelve (12) of which were referrals from the #LEAD Program. Youth Transitions will serve a minimum of thirty (30) and up to a maximum of ninety (90) youth under the 2018-2019 agreement, which includes the continued provision of work site placements for youth referred from the #LEAD Program.

This agreement did not include a Request For Proposal process because the Youth Transitions Program was created from an original idea in collaboration with CSET in 2006. The program has been a success and continues to grow and evolve from the initial point of establishment. It has been considered for replication by other counties in California.

#### FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

The maximum amount for this agreement is \$758,325 and uses Federal and State funds. The amount of \$568,744 is included in the proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2018/2019 and \$189,581 will be included in the budget for Fiscal Year 2019/2020. 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 youth that are facing significant life barriers a positive support system, an opportunity to develop leadership skills, and ultimately, a path toward self-sufficiency.

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

Juliet Webb

Director of Human Services

cc: County Administrative Office

Attachment(s) Agreement

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

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVE AN AGREEMENT WITH COMMUNITY SERVICES AND EMPLOYMENT TRAINING, INC.	) Resolution No ) Agreement No )
UPON MOTION OF SUPERVISO	OR, SECONDED BY
SUPERVISOR	_, THE FOLLOWING WAS ADOPTED BY THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AT AN O	FFICIAL 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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