



# Health & Human Services Agency COUNTY OF TULARE AGENDA ITEM

KUYLER CROCKER

PETE VANDER POEL District Two

> AMY SHUKLIAN District Three

J. STEVEN WORTHLEY District Four

MIKE ENNIS

AGENDA DATE: December 04, 2018

SUBJECT:

Approve an amendment to Agreement No. 28555 with Parenting Network, Inc. Family Resource Center

#### REQUEST(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

- 1. Approve an amendment to Agreement No. 28555 with Parenting Network, Inc. Family Resource Center to increase the maximum spending amount of the agreement from \$190,515 to \$264,640 for the provision of a Parent Partner program effective upon signature through June 30, 2019; and
- 2. Authorize the Chairman of the Board to sign two (2) copies of the agreement.

#### **SUMMARY:**

Tulare County Health and Human Services Agency Child Welfare Services, is requesting to contract with Parenting Network, Inc. to provide Parent Partner services. The agreement provides mentor support services to families referred to Child Welfare Services (CWS) and to Resource Families. These services are intended to increase parent's confidence while navigating the child welfare system to successfully reunify with their children, and provide support to resource families who have children placed in their care.

Parent Partners are parents that have had personal experience with the child welfare system in Tulare County. As a mentor, Parent Partners provide emotional support, attend court hearings, and provide healthy role modeling. The Resource Family mentor will connect with new resource families before and after the licensing process to provide guidance and support. Parent Partners and Resource Family

SUBJECT: Approve an amendment to Agreement No. 28555 with Parenting

Network, Inc. Family Resource Center

DATE: December 04, 2018

mentors will build a supportive relationship with one another and implement strategies to bring together parents and resource families. They will work together as a cohesive unit for the betterment of children lives and progression towards successful 30% reunification rate of the 300 parents served.

This agreement did not include a Request For Proposal process because Parenting Network, Inc. Family Resource Center is the only provider in Tulare County that is eligible to serve the Parent Partner program for CWS clients to support reunification.

Tulare County Health and Human Services Agency submitted a 2015 Foster and Relative Caregiver Recruitment, Retention, and Support plan to the State of California in October 2015. The Foster and Relative Caregiver Recruitment, Retention, and Support plan seeks to improve the partnership between foster parents and Child Welfare Services, and is intended to work together to build both qualitative and quantitative capacity of the continuum of foster care placements.

The purpose of this amendment is to update Exhibit "A" fund line increase from \$190,515 to \$264,640 and Parent Partner Match went from 60 to 300. Exhibit "B" to increase the maximum spending amount of Agreement No. 28555 from \$190,515 to \$264,640. The request to amend Agreement No. 28555 supports the expansion to include two additional Parent Partners to serve South County.

#### FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

This agreement is funded through the Budget Act of 2015 (Senate Bill 97, Chapter 11, Statutes of 2015) for county efforts to recruit, retain, and support relative and non-related foster caregivers. The fund of \$264,640 is included in the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 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 families in state and federally mandated programs. Parent Partners provide community resources to families to support reunification with their children after entering Child Welfare Services. This agreement increases the ability to fulfill that obligation.

**ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:** 

Jų∕ilie∕t Webb

Director of Human Services

cc: County Administrative Office

Approve an amendment to Agreement No. 28555 with Parenting Network, Inc. Family Resource Center December 04, 2018 SUBJECT:

DATE:

Amendment Attachments (s)

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

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVE AN AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT NO. 2 WITH PARENTING NETWORK, INC. FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER	) Resolution No 28555 ) 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:	JASON T. BRITT COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER/ CLERK, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
BY:	
	Deputy Clerk
	* * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *

- 1. Approved an amendment to Agreement No. 28555 with Parenting Network, Inc. Family Resource Center to increase the maximum spending amount of the agreement from \$190,515 to \$264,640 for the provision of a Parent Partner program effective upon signature through June 30, 2019; and
- 2. Authorized the Chairman of the Board to sign two (2) copies of the agreement.