



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

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AGENDA DATE: December 04, 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"/>
County Counsel Sign-Off	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input 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 Guerrero PHONE: 559-624-8082

SUBJECT: Approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Kern Bridges Youth Homes

REQUEST(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Kern Bridges Youth Homes 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 signature through June 30, 2019. There is no dollar amount associated with this agreement, and
2. Authorize the Chairman of the Board to sign two (2) copies each of the Memorandum of Understanding.

SUMMARY:

Tulare County Health and 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.

SUBJECT: Approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Kern Bridges Youth Homes

DATE: December 4, 2018

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.

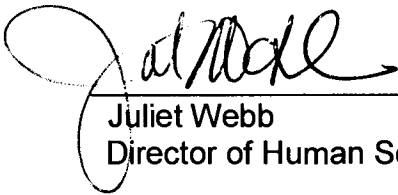
FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

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 MOU 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 MOU to be safe and free from abuse and neglect while placed in the foster family agency foster homes.

ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Juliet Webb', is written over a horizontal line.

Juliet Webb
Director of Human Services

Cc: County Administrative Officer

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
KERN BRIDGES YOUTH HOMES**

) Resolution No. _____
) 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: JASON T. BRITT
COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER/
CLERK, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BY: _____
Deputy Clerk

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