



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

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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AGENDA DATE: March 26, 2019

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"/>
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SUBJECT: Approve a Memorandum of Understanding between Tulare County Health and Human Services Agency, Child Welfare Services Division and Tulare County Superintendent of Schools

REQUEST(S):
That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve a Memorandum of Understanding between Tulare County Health and Human Services Agency, Child Welfare Services Division and Tulare County Superintendent of Schools to coordinate transportation services for Tulare County foster children, effective March 26, 2019 through June 30, 2023. There are no costs associated with the Memorandum of Understanding; and
2. Authorize the Chairman of the Board to sign two (2) copies each of the Memorandum of Understanding.

SUMMARY:
The Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) of 2015 builds on the Fostering Connections to Success and Increasing Adoptions Act of 2008 by containing key protections for students in order to promote school stability and success. The ESSA requires Local Education Agencies (LEAs) to collaborate with local Child Welfare Agencies (CWAs) to develop dual-agency responsibilities for supporting educational success of students in foster care. Effective December 10, 2016, LEAs are required to coordinate transportation services for county foster children with local CWAs. Clear written procedures must be implemented to ensure transportation is provided, arranged, and funded for children and youth in foster care to attend to their school of origin.

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The purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is to comply with ESSA requirements. Tulare County Superintendent of Schools [otherwise known as Tulare County Office of Education (TCOE)] and Tulare County Health and Human Services Agency, Child Welfare Services (CWS) Division developed and agreed on transportation protocols for foster youth. These protocols will serve as guidance for TCOE's Foster Youth Services Coordinating Program staff as they work to coordinate transportation between all school districts in Tulare County and CWS.

This agreement has been approved as to form by County Counsel. The following terms deviate substantively from the standard County boilerplate: 1) This is a multi-year agreement; and 2) Either party may terminate the agreement with thirty (30) days written notice.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

There is no cost associated with the MOU, therefore, there is no 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 provisions of quality supportive services to at-risk youth and children in state and federally mandated programs. This agreement increases the ability to fulfill the obligation by ensuring that children in foster care are provided transportation to their school of origin.

ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:



Juliet Webb
Director of Human Services

cc: County Administrative Office

Attachment(s) Memorandum of Understanding

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

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVE A) Resolution No. _____
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING) Agreement No. _____
BETWEEN TULARE COUNTY HEALTH)
AND HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY, CHILD)
WELFARE SERVICES DIVISION AND)
TULARE COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT OF)
SCHOOLS)

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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