



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

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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AGENDA DATE: May 7, 2019 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: Donna Ortiz PHONE: 624-8000

SUBJECT: Approve a Memorandum of Understanding with the Superior Court of California, County of Tulare

REQUEST(S):
That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve a Memorandum of Understanding with the Superior Court of California, County of Tulare in the amount not to exceed \$29,849 to provide monitoring and evaluation of clients in Mental Health Court. The Tulare County Probation Department and the Tulare County Mental Health Branch have agreed to partner with the Superior Court to provide comprehensive substance abuse treatment, random and frequent drug testing, incentives and sanctions, clinical case management and ancillary services retroactive from July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019. It was impracticable for the Board to take action proper to July 1, 2018 due to inadvertent delays in processing for approval and receiving the Memorandum of Understanding from the Superior Court;
2. Find that the Board had authority to enter into the proposed Memorandum of Understanding as of July 1, 2018 and that it was in the County's best interest to enter into the Memorandum of Understanding on that date; and
3. Authorize the Chairman of the Board to sign three (3) copies of the Memorandum of Understanding.

SUMMARY:
The Superior Court of California, County of Tulare receives funds from the Judicial Council of California through the Substance Abuse Focus Grant Program (SAFG),

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to implement, enhance, or expand collaborative justice courts. The Tulare County Probation Department and the Tulare County Health and Human Services Agency, Mental Health Branch, collaborate with the Superior Court to operate the Mental Health Court Program (MHC). The MHC is problem-solving court that combines judicial supervision with community mental health treatment and other support services in order to reduce criminal activity and improve the quality of life of the participants. The MHC was established to make effective use of limited criminal justice and mental health resources. It is utilized to connect individuals with treatment and social services in the community to improve outcomes for offenders with mental illness in the criminal justice system. The MHC also responds to public safety concerns, addresses jail overcrowding, and addresses the disproportionate number of people in the criminal justice system who have a mental illness. Through this Memorandum of Understanding, the Mental Health Branch will be able to use SAFG funds to provide services to approximately one hundred and nine (109) consumers.

The following term deviates from the standard County boilerplate: This Memorandum of Understanding includes mutual indemnification language.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

The budgeted revenues associated with this contract was included in the HHSA 3311 budget, line 5064 other state grants; The Superior Court of California, County of Tulare will reimburse the Tulare County Probation Department and the Tulare County Mental Health Branch up to \$29,849 for services provided to Mental Health Court consumers. 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 to promote and encourage the provision of quality supportive services for individuals in Tulare County. The SAFG will benefit the residents of Tulare County by improving access to services through bus passes, and quality of life through additional healthcare services at no cost to the consumers.

ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:



Timothy W. Lutz
Agency Director

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. _____
WITH THE SUPERIOR COURT OF)
CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF TULARE)

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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