

Child Support Services COUNTY OF TULARE AGENDA ITEM

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AGENDA DATE: October 8, 2019REVISED

Public Hearing Required Yes N/A Scheduled Public Hearing w/Clerk Yes N/A NA

SUBJECT:

Renew Plan of Cooperation Agreement between the Superior Court of California, for the County of Tulare and the Tulare County Department of Child Support Services

REQUEST(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

- Approve the Plan of Cooperation Agreement with the Superior Court of California, for the County of Tulare effective upon execution through September 30, 2021 and subject to approval from the California Department of Child Support Services and the Judicial Council of California; and
- Authorize the Director of the Tulare County Department of Child Support Services to sign the Plan of Cooperation with the Superior Court of California, for the County of Tulare and Tulare County Department of Child Support Services.

SUMMARY:

The Department of Child Support Services has had a long and mutually beneficial working relationship with the Superior Court of the State of California, County of Tulare. This plan of cooperation is needed to clearly define the responsibilities of both parties in ensuring compliance with federal and state laws and regulations related to the Child Support Enforcement Program under Title IV-D of the Social Security Act.

This working relationship was enhanced with the passing of Assembly Bill 1058 (AB1058), signed in 1996. This legislatively mandated statewide program was designed to establish a path where the local child support agencies could develop a working relationship with the local courts. This arrangement was to emphasize a cost-effective, expedited, and accessible process in the courts for the establishing and

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enforcing child support orders in cases being enforced by local child support agencies. Title IV-D of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. § 601 et seq.) provides that each state shall establish and enforce support orders when public assistance has been expended or upon request for services by a parent.

The purpose of this Plan of Cooperation (POC) is to describe the distinct roles and responsibilities to be performed by the local child support agency and the local court as each entity complies with its respective duties under Family Code sections 4250 - 4253 and 10000 – 10015, collectively also known as the AB 1058 Program.

This POC in no way shall abridge or infringe on the separate role of the court in exercising its duties over the application of the law in matters put before the court in individual cases. However, each party agrees to comply with Title IV-D and all implementing federal and state regulations and requirements promulgated thereunder.

The Superior Court of California, for the County of Tulare has already signed the plan; however before the plan can be taken into effect, the State must approve it to form after the County signs.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

This agreement has no monetary obligation so there is no additional net costs to the County General Fund.

LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF TULARE STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN:

This agenda item is linked to the Organizational Performance component of the County of Tulare Strategic Business Plan. By renewing this plan of cooperation, staff will be able to perform their tasks more efficiently and stay in compliance with federal and state laws and regulations.

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ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:

Roger Diken

Department Head, Child Support Services

cc: County Administrative Office

Attachment: Plan of Cooperation

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

IN THE MATTER OF RENEWING TH PLAN OF COOPERATION AGREEM BETWEEN THE SUPERIOR COURT CALIFORNIA, FOR THE COUNTY O TULARE AND THE TULARE COUNT DEPARTMENT OF CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES	ENT) Resolution No OF) Agreement No F)
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, 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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