



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

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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AGENDA DATE: January 28, 2020

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: Vienna Barnes PHONE: 624-8075		

SUBJECT: Approve a Memorandum of Understanding with the California Department of Child Support Services

- REQUEST(S):**
That the Board of Supervisors:
1. Approve a Memorandum of Understanding with the California Department of Child Support Services to provide online access service to the Child Support Enforcement System effective for 36 months upon the date of signature by both organizations; and
 2. Authorize the Director of Tulare County Health & Human Services Agency or designee to sign three (3) copies of the Memorandum of Understanding.

SUMMARY:
This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the County of Tulare and the California Department of Child Support Services provides the basis of support for the Child and Spousal Support Enforcement Program (pursuant to Family Code 17212) through the online access by the County to the Child Support Enforcement System (CSE).

Recipients of a CalWORKs grant are limited to a lifetime of 48 months of benefits, also known as Time On Aid (TOA). In the event that a CalWORKs recipient receives child support for a child listed on an open CalWORKs case, the support received is calculated for purposes of "unticking" a month of aid received against the 48-month TOA limit. While not mandated, this agreement provides eligibility staff with access to child support data to accurately maintain their TANF/CalWORKs TOA system for determination of eligibility changes caused by collection of support. With access to

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child support data, eligibility staff is able to verify child support received by a CalWORKs parent for each child listed on the active CalWORKs case, thereby allowing for an accurate determination of the remaining months a client is eligible for CalWORKs benefits. Approximately 3,400 or one third of the CalWORKs cases in Tulare County are impacted by the Child and Spousal Support Enforcement Program. Without the agreement, the client would bear the burden of providing evidence of any child support payments received.

We would like to bring to the Board's attention that this agreement deviates from the County contract protocol in the following ways: 1) the term of this agreement is for multiple years; 2) the County must sign first; and 3) the State can terminate the agreement immediately for cause.

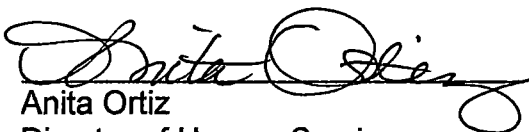
FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

There is no cost associated with this MOU; therefore, 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 Organizational Performance initiative that provides state-of-the-art technology and infrastructure to support better service delivery. This agreement increases the ability to fulfill this obligation by providing employees with the technological means to improve process efficiency through electronic verification of an income source.

ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:



Anita Ortiz
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)
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING) Resolution No. _____
WITH THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF) Agreement No. _____
CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES)

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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