



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

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

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**AGENDA DATE:** February 11, 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"/>

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**SUBJECT:** Approve an Interagency and Community Agreement for the Educational Benefit of Foster Youth In Tulare County

**REQUEST(S):**  
That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve an agreement between the Tulare County Health and Human Services Agency, Child Welfare Services Division, the Tulare County Probation Department, the Tulare County Superintendent of Schools Foster Youth Services, Local Education Agencies, the Tulare County Juvenile Court System, and Court Appointed Special Advocates, to coordinate services and tracking of County compliance with Every Child Succeeds Act, and the California Assembly Bill 490, as they relate to Foster Youth in Tulare County. This agreement shall be effective February 11, 2020 and shall continue in effect unless terminated by any participant upon 30 days' written notice.
2. Authorize the Chairman of the Board to sign two (2) copies of the agreement.

**SUMMARY:**  
Assembly Bill (AB) 490 went into effect in January 2004. AB 490 created new rights and duties related to the education of dependents in foster care. Later laws proceeded to expand these requirements, including AB 81 (2009), AB 12 (2010), AB 1933 (2010), AB 1878 (2014), Senate Bill 1353 (2010), the federal Fostering Connections to Success and Increasing Adoptions Act of 2008, and the federal Uninterrupted Scholars Act of 2013. With the inception of these laws, both CWS and schools have made great strides in working together to ensure academic success for foster youth. From AB 490, the California Blue Ribbon Commission was created to provide recommendations to the Judicial Council of California on the ways in which the courts and their child welfare partners can improve safety, permanency, well-being, and

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fairness outcomes for children and families in the state.

Tulare County Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA), Child Welfare Services (CWS) Division and the Tulare County Probation Department are partnering with the Tulare County Superintendent of Schools Foster Youth Services, Local Education Agencies, the Tulare County Juvenile Court System, and Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) to develop a plan for the purpose of providing improved educational outcomes for students in foster care. The parties will work together to ensure students' health and educational records are current and accurate, that transfer of records occurs in a timely manner, that disputes regarding transportation or service delivery are resolved promptly, and that students in foster care are educated in the appropriate educational placement in the least restrictive environment.

The following terms deviate substantively from standard County boilerplate: 1) The agreement is for an indefinite term, but any party may terminate the agreement upon 30 days' written notice; 2) There is no indemnification clause.

**FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:**

There is no cost associated with this agreement; 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 Quality of Life Initiative that will support academic success for foster youth. This agreement will encourage and support an innovative provision of quality supportive services for at-risk youth and children enrolled in a Tulare County Office Superintendent of Schools. The quality of life for these at-risk youth and children will be improved with the support of academic assistance to succeed in school.

**ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:**



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Anita Ortiz  
Director of Human Services

Cc: County Administrative Office

Attachment(s): Agreement

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

**IN THE MATTER OF APPROVE AN  
INTERAGENCY AND COMMUNITY  
AGREEMENT FOR THE EDUCATIONAL  
BENEFIT OF FOSTER YOUTH IN TULARE  
COUNTY**

)  
) Resolution No. \_\_\_\_\_  
) Agreement No. \_\_\_\_\_  
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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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