



**District Attorney
COUNTY OF TULARE
AGENDA ITEM**

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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AGENDA DATE: September 22, 2020-**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: Dan Underwood PHONE: 636-5494		

SUBJECT: Approve a Partnership Agreement

REQUEST(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve a Partnership Agreement between the Office of the Tulare County District Attorney and the United States Department of Labor’s Wage and Hour Division, to collaboratively combat human trafficking, effective September 22, 2020 through September 21, 2023;
2. Authorize the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors to sign the Partnership Agreement; and
3. Authorize the District Attorney to sign the Partnership Agreement.

SUMMARY:

In October 2019, the Office of the District Attorney was awarded grant funding for the FY 19 Enhanced Collaborative Model Task Force to Combat Human Trafficking (2019 ECM) program from the United States Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA). Your Board accepted this grant funding on November 19, 2019 as Agreement No. 29485 (Resolution No. 2019-0965).

One of the key elements of this grant program is to continue to support the Tulare County Human Trafficking Task Force (HT Task Force). The mission of the HT Task Force is to work collaboratively using a victim-centered and multi-disciplinary approach to prevent and combat this crime, while seeking justice for victims of all forms of human trafficking in Tulare County.

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The HT Task Force seeks to strengthen its task force by adding the United States Department of Labor's Wage and Hour Division (DOL/WHD) as a member. The DOL/WHD's mission is to promote and achieve compliance with labor standards to protect and enhance the welfare of the nation's workforce. The agency investigates potential violations of rights such as the federal minimum wage, overtime pay, recordkeeping, and child labor requirements of the Fair Labor Standards Act, and occasionally uncovers human trafficking within those investigations. This makes them a vital partner in the HT Task Force's fight against human trafficking.

A Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) outlining the commitment between all agencies participating on the HT Task Force is required by BJA. Your Board approved an MOU between the existing task force partners on January 7, 2020, as Agreement No. 29532. However, as a business practice, the DOL/WHD requires its own separate agreement.

This agreement has been approved as to form by County Counsel. The following terms deviate substantively from the standard County boilerplate: (1) The Agreement requires mutual indemnification, but to the extent in which DOL/WHD can indemnify the County is controlled by relevant federal laws and policies; (2) The County and DOL/WHD may terminate the Agreement upon thirty (30) days prior written notice.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

The HT Task Force will be utilizing existing County resources such as staff time, travel reimbursements, facilities, and supplies that have been included in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2020/21 adopted budget, and which will be budgeted in subsequent fiscal years of the agreement period through FY 2022/23. Approval of this Partnership Agreement with the DOL/WHD does not include additional net County cost to the General Fund.

LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF TULARE STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN:

The County's five-year Strategic Business Plan and Management System include Safety and Security initiatives to provide for the safety and security of the public. The HT Task Force strives to collaboratively combat human trafficking crimes, ultimately bringing these criminals to justice.

ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:

/s/ Dan Underwood

Dan Underwood
Chief Deputy District Attorney

cc: County Administrative Office

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Attachment(s) Partnership Agreement Between U.S. Department of Labor,
Wage and Hour Division and Office of the Tulare County District
Attorney

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

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVE A)
PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT) 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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