



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

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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AGENDA DATE: September 30, 2008

Public Hearing Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>
Scheduled Public Hearing w/Clerk	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Published Notice Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>
Advertised Published Notice	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Meet & Confer Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>
Electronic file(s) has been sent	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>
Budget Transfer (Aud 308) attached	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Personnel Resolution attached	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Resolution, Ordinance or Agreements are attached and signature line for Chairman is marked with tab(s)/flag(s)	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>
CONTACT PERSON: Javier Robles PHONE: 737-4660						

SUBJECT: Approval of amendment to Agreement No. 23424 with Families First, Inc.

REQUEST(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Ratify and approve an amendment to Agreement No. 23424 with Families First, Inc. to provide Wraparound services for families with multiple, complex needs, retroactive to July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009. This agreement is retroactive due to inadvertent delays in obtaining authorized signatures on the amendment. It was impracticable for the Board to take action before July 1, 2008 due to the time needed to process, prepare, and submit the agenda item.
2. Find that the Board had authority to enter into the proposed agreement as of July 1, 2008 and that it was in the County's best interest to enter into the agreement on that date.
3. Authorize the Chairman of the Board to sign three (3) copies of the amendment.

SUMMARY:

On November 14, 2006, the Board of Supervisors authorized the Tulare County Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA) to submit the Tulare County Wraparound Implementation Plan to the California Department of Social Services

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for approval. On January 31, 2007, Tulare County's SB 163 Children's Wraparound Plan was approved by the California Department of Social Services.

On February 12, 2008, the Board of Supervisors awarded the Request for Proposal and approved the agreement with Families First, Inc. under Tulare County Agreement No. 23424 to provide Wraparound services for families with multiple, complex needs that may threaten the families' stability and well-being, and the ability to keep their children safely at home.

Families First, Inc. provides a strength-based, needs-driven, family-centered, flexible, and cost effective program that helps children and families build life skills, and strengthen individual and family supports so that family functioning is improved, barriers to meeting basic life needs are overcome, and out-of-home placements are prevented. The subsequent decreases in out-of-home placement and community costs and increases in the families' ability to care for their children result in fiscal and human resource savings that can be reinvested toward future placement prevention services. In addition, Families First, Inc. shall provide or coordinate the full array of mental health services; including individual, group and family therapy, intensive in-home case management, crisis services, psychiatric services, and medication management leading the family to self-sufficiency.

It is anticipated that thirty-five (35) families will be served through this agreement by June 30, 2009.

The purpose of this Amendment is to extend the term of the agreement to June 30, 2009, update Exhibits "A", "B", "B-1", "B-2", and add exhibit "B-3".

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

No fiscal impact, funding for Wraparound is included in the Fiscal Year 2008/2009 proposed budget. Wraparound is a cost neutral program of redirected Foster Care funding. No Net County Cost.

LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF TULARE STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN:

Wraparound Services provided by this agreement is linked to the County's five-year strategic plan's Quality of Life Initiative. Wraparound provides services and supports for high-risk children and their families so that they can have a permanent and stable home in Tulare County. This agreement increases the ability to fulfill that obligation.

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ALTERNATIVES:

The Board could choose not to approve this Amendment, but that is not recommended because the benefits of providing these services lie in accordance with the Strategic Plan of Tulare County.

INVOLVEMENT OF OTHER DEPARTMENTS OR AGENCIES:

This Amendment has been approved as to form by County Counsel and no changes have been made since this approval.

ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:



Donnie Griffin
Human Services Director

Cc: Auditor/Controller
County Counsel
County Administrative Office (3)

Amendment

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

IN THE MATTER OF:)
Approval of amendment to Agreement) RESOLUTION NO. _____
No. 23424 with Families First, Inc.) AGREEMENT NO. _____

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: JEAN ROUSSEAU
COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER
CLERK, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BY: _____
Deputy Clerk

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