



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

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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AGENDA DATE: June 7, 2011

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: Juliet Webb PHONE: 624-8000						

SUBJECT: Approval of Agreement with Community Services and Employment Training, Inc.

REQUEST(S):
That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve an Agreement with Community Services and Employment Training, Inc., (CSET) to provide direct skill training to high-risk parents from July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2014; and
2. Authorize the Chairman of the Board to sign three (3) copies of the Agreement.

SUMMARY:
Tulare County Health & Human Services Agency (HHS), Child Welfare Services (CWS) is proposing to contract with CSET to provide the SafeCare® program. SafeCare® is a structured evidence-based home visitation program that provides direct skill training to high-risk parents. Providers teach families' specific skills on how to manage child behavior, keep their home free of safety hazards, and take care of a child's basic health care needs. This model usually takes 18-20 sessions to complete (about 4-6 months), and may run longer if other services (i.e., case management) are also needed. SafeCare® is typically delivered in the home by trained staff carrying caseloads of approximately ten to twelve families at a time. Through this Agreement services will be provided to an estimated one-hundred and

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forty (140) families.

CSET will provide SafeCare® to parents who reside in the Visalia area. The targeted population will be primarily families referred by CWS through the Differential Response program. Differential Response is an early intervention program based on the concept that child safety is the mutual responsibility of communities and child welfare agencies. It is part of the State's child welfare re-design that is creating valuable connections among community agencies.

We would like to bring to the Board's attention that the term of this Agreement is for three (3) years which deviates from County Contract Protocol.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

The contract is for a total of \$170,607 for three (3) years at \$56,869 per year. This will be included in the Fiscal Years 2011/2012 through 2013/2014 budgets. There is no county cost.

LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF TULARE STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN:

The County's five year strategic plan includes the Quality of Life Initiative that encourages innovative provision of quality supportive services for at-risk adults, youth and children in state and federally mandated programs. This Agreement increases the ability to fulfill that obligation.

ALTERNATIVES:

The Board could choose not to approve this Agreement, but that is not recommended. The benefits of providing these services lie in accordance with the Strategic Plan of Tulare County, and not to provide them would result in a loss of critically needed services to approximately one-hundred and forty (140) families in Tulare County.

INVOLVEMENT OF OTHER DEPARTMENTS OR AGENCIES:

Expanding SafeCare® services in Tulare County has been a collaborative effort with Tulare County Health & Human Services Agency Child Welfare Services and the following participating agencies: California State University, Fresno Foundation through its Central California Regional Child Welfare Training Academy (CCRTA), Family Services of Tulare County, Parenting Network Inc., Lindsay Unified School District, Woodlake Unified School District, Cutler-Orosi Joint Unified School District, and Community Services and Employment Training.

County Counsel

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ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:

Cheryl Duerksen
Director of Mental Health

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

Agreement

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

IN THE MATTER OF Approval of)
Agreement with Community Services)
and Employment Training)

RESOLUTION NO. _____
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 M. ROUSSEAU
COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER/
CLERK, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BY: _____
Deputy Clerk

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