



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

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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AGENDA DATE: September 24, 2013

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| 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: Christi Lupkes PHONE: 624-8000 | | |

SUBJECT: Approval of an Agreement with EMQ Families First, Inc. for the Crossroads Transitional-Age Youth (TAY) Housing program.

REQUEST(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve an Agreement with EMQ Families First, Inc. for the Crossroads Transitional Age Youth (TAY) Housing program, retroactive to July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014 to provide transitional supportive housing to transitional-age youth in partnership with the Mental Health One-Stop Centers in an amount not to exceed \$497,534. This agreement is retroactive due to inadvertent delays in contract negotiations and obtaining authorizations. It was impracticable for the Board to take action prior to July 1, 2013 due to the time needed to process, prepare, and submit the agenda item;
2. Find that the Board had the authority to enter into the proposed agreement as of July 1, 2013 and that it was in the County's best interest to enter into the agreement on that date; and
3. Authorize the Chairman of the Board to sign three (3) copies of the agreement.

SUMMARY:

The Tulare County Health & Human Services Agency (HHSA), Department of Mental Health, collaborates with EMQ Families First, Inc. to provide transitional supportive housing through the Crossroads Transitional-Age Youth (TAY) Housing

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program under the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Community Services and Supports (CSS) component.

EMQ Families First, Inc. through the Crossroads Transition-Age Youth (TAY) Housing program provides transitional supportive housing in Visalia for the northern regions of the County, and in Porterville for the southern regions of the County for transitional-age youth (TAY) consumers of mental health services ages 18 to 25 years. The program, in partnership with the Mental Health One-Stop Centers, is designed to meet the needs of the TAY by stabilizing the youth from the effects of being homeless or at-risk of homelessness; and provide supports for wellness, recovery and independence. The program will offer life skills training, and one-on-one coaching regarding issues and topics fundamental to successful independent living. Life skills and one-on-one coaching include, but are not limited to: reconnection to education systems, job training, budgeting, menu planning and food preparation, accessing public transportation, housing search assistance, and linkage to a wide array of services such as substance abuse treatment programs and social services.

From July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014, the program plans to maintain a census of ten (10) TAY residents at the Visalia complex and ten (10) TAY residents at the Porterville complex, in addition to running a community room at both sites to facilitate community activities such as support groups, computer labs, and socialization activities.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

Funding in an amount not to exceed \$497,534 for this Agreement will be included in the Fiscal Year 2013/2014 proposed budget and are paid through Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) revenues. No Net County Cost.

LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF TULARE STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN:

The County's five-year plan includes the Quality of Life initiative to promote and encourage the provision of quality supportive services for individuals in Tulare County. Tulare County transitional-age youth will benefit from the provision of mental health services by the Crossroads Transitional-Age Youth (TAY) Housing program.

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ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:

Timothy Durick, Psy.D.
Director of Mental Health

Cc: Auditor-Controller
County Counsel
County Administrative Office (2)

Attachment(s) Agreement

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

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF AN)
AGREEMENT WITH EMQ FAMILIES FIRST,) Resolution No. _____
INC. FOR THE CROSSROADS) Agreement No. _____
TRANSITIONAL-AGE YOUTH (TAY))
HOUSING PROGRAM.)

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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