



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: Social Services
Department No.: 044
For Agenda Of: 12/11/18
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Time:
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Daniel Nielson, Social Services Director
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Contact Info: Barbara Finch, Child and Adult Network Director, (805) 681-4678
SUBJECT: Agreement with Child Abuse Listening Mediation for Evidence Based Parent Education

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: Risk Management

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Approve and authorize the Chair to execute an Agreement with Child Abuse Listening Mediation (local vendor), to provide Evidence Based Parent Education for a total contract amount not to exceed \$29,907 (\$9,969 per Fiscal Year for three years) for the period of December 12, 2018 through June 30, 2021; and
- b) Determine that the approvals and execution of the above Agreement is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3), finding that the approvals and execution of the Agreements are covered by the general rule that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment, and where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity may have a significant effect on the environment, the activities are not subject to CEQA.

Summary Text:

This item is on the agenda in order to approve the Agreement with Child Abuse Listening Mediation (CALM) to provide Evidence Based Parent Education for a total contract amount not to exceed \$29,907 (\$9969 per year for three years) for the period from December 12, 2018 through June 30, 2021. The services are for one twelve-week session of Nurturing Parenting classes plus twelve follow-up home

visits, to be provided each fiscal year by a qualified bilingual / bicultural parent educator / home visitor. The Cuyama Valley Family Resource Center (CVFRC) will host the classes and provide additional support for the project in the form of recruitment, family engagement and retention, and on-site childcare to be provided during class times. During fiscal year (FY) 18-19, classes and home visits will be completed between December 12, 2018 and June 30, 2019. Nurturing Parenting is an evidence based program designed to empower parents through self-awareness and to help them acquire specific knowledge and skills to improve their overall parenting. The program is a proven approach for the prevention of child abuse and neglect. In order to enhance outcomes for children and families in the Cuyama Valley, the Department of Social Services (DSS) recommends the approval of the Agreement.

Background:

DSS employs a Contractor on Payroll to provide social services through the CVFRC. A grant from First 5 Santa Barbara County provides partial funding for the program coordinator position to ensure that children ages 0 to 5 and their families have access to family support and school readiness services. This year, The First 5 Request for Proposals identified the delivery of evidence-based parenting education as a strategic priority. As a provider of informal parenting support in Cuyama for the past three years, CALM was asked to submit a proposal to deliver this service. DSS was granted First 5 funding for Cuyama for three years, with funding for Nurturing Parenting classes provided by CALM included in the grant.

Performance Measure:

1. Seven parents will complete the Nurturing Parenting classes each year, attending at least 80% of classes.
2. 85% of parents who complete the program will show increased family functioning in two or more areas, as measured by a pre and post assessment using the Protective Factors Survey.
3. 85% of parents who complete the program will show increased parenting skills and knowledge, as measured by a pre and post assessment using the Adult Adolescent Parenting Index.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

Fiscal Analysis:

<u>Funding Sources</u>	<u>FY 18-19 Cost</u>	<u>FY19-20 to FY20-21 Cost</u>	<u>Total Cost</u>
General Fund			
State			
Federal			
Fees			
Other:	\$ 9,969.00	\$ 19,938.00	\$ 29,907.00
Total	\$ 9,969.00	\$ 19,938.00	\$ 29,907.00

Narrative:

DSS will fund the contract cost with CALM using Other Revenue from First 5 Santa Barbara County. There is no impact to the County General Fund.

Key Contract Risks:

The risk assessment worksheet has been completed and DSS has determined that CALM is a medium risk vendor. The County has experience with CALM and is confident of their ability to provide services.

Staffing Impacts:

Positions:
0

FTEs:
0

Special Instructions:

Please scan, email and send one (1) duplicate original Agreement, and a copy of the minute order to:
DSS Contracts Unit
C/O Emma Duncan
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Attachments:

1. Agreement – CALM for Evidence Based Parent Education

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