



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: July 2, 2019
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Time: N/A
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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SUBJECT: Agreement with Casa Pacifica Centers for Children and Families for Child Welfare Services Senate Bill 163 Wraparound Services

County Counsel Concurrence:

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence:

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: Risk Management

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Approve and authorize the Chair to ratify an Agreement for services with Casa Pacifica Centers for Children and Families (a local vendor) to provide Child Welfare Services Senate Bill 163 Wraparound Services in the amount not to exceed \$710,000 for the period of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020; and
- b) Determine that the activity is not a "Project" subject to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) review per CEQA Guideline Section 15378(b)(5) since the activity is an organizational or administrative activity of government that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment.

Summary Text:

This item is on the agenda in order to approve and authorize the Chair to execute the Agreement with Casa Pacifica Center for Children and Families (Casa Pacifica) to provide Child Welfare Services (CWS) Senate Bill 163 (SB 163) Wraparound Services for a total contract amount not to exceed \$710,000 for the period of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020. Casa Pacifica will provide county-wide

Wraparound Services to an average ongoing caseload of 25 children/youth and families in the foster care system. In collaboration with wraparound staff, each family will develop a Child and Family Team (CFT) that will create an individualized Family Care Plan (FCP) building on their strengths and making use of natural supports and community services to meet their needs and their goals.

Wraparound Services utilizes state and county residential care placement dollars, to develop and implement services designed to keep at-risk children/youth at home or in their home communities and out of high cost placements. Wraparound Services is an integrated, multi-agency, community-based system grounded in a philosophy of unconditional commitment to support families to safely and competently care for their children. Wraparound Services process can eliminate barriers to service delivery by supporting and strengthening families. They can also reduce the risk of out-of-home placement and recidivism by bringing individuals, agencies, and the community together as the decision-making team with the central focus being to meet the needs of the child/youth and their family. The single most important outcome of the Wraparound Services is that children/youth are in permanent homes maintained and supported by the community.

Background:

In 1997, Wraparound was established in California under Senate Bill (SB) 163 (Chapter 795, Statutes of 1997) which allows California counties to develop a Wraparound Services program using state and county Aid to Families with Dependent Children-Foster Care (AFDC-FC) dollars. This legislation permits counties to use the funding for planning and service delivery instead of for placing children/youth in high-level group homes. The intent of the legislation was to return children and youth in group home care to their homes and communities or help children/youth at imminent risk of placement in high-level group homes to remain in their homes. Wraparound Services may also be used for children/youth who are eligible for Adoption Assistance Program benefits.

The SB 163 Legislation requires Wraparound Services to:

- Be family centered, individualized, culturally relevant, and strength based;
- Be team and community based;
- Identify and rely on a family's natural & community supports;
- Develop a CFT to identify service needs;
- Place child in the least restrictive environment;
- Track and evaluate outcomes; and
- Reinvest cost saving into child welfare programs.

SB 163 authorized counties to use the state and county share of foster care placement dollars that would have otherwise been paid to a group home. The state and county share of foster care funds can be used in a flexible manner to provide Wraparound Services. Without the Wraparound Services program, expenditures for foster care placements would be higher as more children would be placed out of home and in higher level placements.

Although Department of Social Services (DSS) functions as the lead administrator for contractual functions, oversight for the Wraparound Services program is jointly shared by Department of Behavioral Wellness, Department of Probation, and DSS. Key representatives from these departments work together to assure quality implementation of the Wraparound Services process as well as assuring that

programming aspects unique to each department system's interests are addressed. This allows the effort to function as a multi-system model.

Performance Measure:

Current Fiscal Year (FY) 18/19:

1. Safety:
 - a. 90% of children/youth receiving Wraparound Services will not have any new, substantiated allegations of child abuse/neglect while receiving the Wraparound Services. (95% as of Quarter 3 (Q3) FY 18/19)
2. Permanency:
 - a. 80% of children/youth will maintain community placement (parent/guardian/home based family placement) at three month follow-up point. (83% as of Q3 FY 18/19)
3. Well-being:
 - a. 80% of children/youth will have improved in emotional and behavioral adjustments by graduation date, or six (6) months into the program, whichever comes first, as measured by Child and Adolescent Functioning Assessment Scale (CAFAS). (44% as of Q3 FY 18/19)
4. Service Delivery Goals:
 - a. 75% of children/youth not disenrolled by DSS be maintained in the Wraparound Services program for a minimum of three (3) months. (95% as of Q3 FY 18/19)
 - b. 90% of FCP and "Family Budget's (FB's)" will be completed within 90 days of first contact with child/youth and families. (60% of care Plans and 95% of FB's as of Q3 FY 18/19)
 - c. 90% of children/youth and families state overall satisfaction with Wraparound Services program at the time of closure/graduation. (92% as of Q3 FY 18/19)

FY 19/20:

1. Safety:
 - a. 100% of children/youth receiving Wraparound Services will not have any new, substantiated allegations of child abuse/neglect while receiving Wraparound Services.
 - b. 90% of children/youth who have graduated from the Wraparound Services program will not have any new, substantiated allegations of child abuse/neglect within 6 months of graduation.
2. Permanency:
 - a. 80% of children/youth will maintain community placement (parent/guardian/home based family placement) at three month follow-up point. (excluding neutral disenrollments).

3. Well-being:
 - a. 50% of children/youth will have improved in emotional and behavioral adjustments by 6 months into the Wraparound Services program as measured by the Child and Adolescents Needs Tool (CANS).
 - b. 80% of children/youth who have graduated from the Wraparound Services program will have improved in emotional and behavioral adjustments as measured by the CANS.
4. Service Delivery Goals:
 - a. 75% of children/youth will be maintained in the Wraparound Services program for a minimum of 3 months (excluding neutral disenrollments).
 - b. 90% of FCP and “FB’s” will be completed within 90 days of first contact with child/youth and families.
 - c. 90% of children/youth and families state overall satisfaction with Wraparound Services program at the time of closure/graduation.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

Fiscal Analysis:

<u>Funding Sources</u>	<u>FY 2019/20 Cost:</u>	<u>Annualized on-going Cost:</u>	<u>Total One-Time Project Cost</u>
General Fund	\$ 426,000.00		
State - 2011 RE	\$ 284,000.00		
Federal			
Fees			
Other:			
Total	\$ 710,000.00	\$ -	\$ -

Narrative:

Approval and execution of this Agreement will result in total direct contract expenditures not to exceed \$710,000. Appropriations and funding for FY 19/20 are included in the DSS recommended budget under the Social Programs division. This Agreement will be funded with 40% State 2011 Realignment and 60% local funds.

DSS is mandated to fund placement costs using 60% County funds and 40% State (2011 Realignment). DSS will be utilizing those dollars instead to fund this contract. Therefore, this Agreement does not require additional appropriations or additional general funds than would be used absent this program. The Agreement contains a non-appropriation clause in the event funds are not appropriated.

Key Contract Risks:

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

Staffing Impacts:

Legal Positions:

NONE

FTEs:

NONE

Special Instructions:

Please scan, email and send one (1) duplicate original Agreement and a copy of the minute order to:

DSS Contracts Unit

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Attachments:

1. Attachment 1 - Agreement – Casa Pacifica – CWS SB 163 Wraparound Services

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