



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:** 6/7/16  
**Placement:** Administrative  
**Estimated Time:** N/A  
**Continued Item:** No  
**If Yes, date from:**  
**Vote Required:** Majority

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Department Daniel Nielson, Director (805) 346-7101  
Director(s)  
Contact Info: Barbara Finch, Child and Adult Network Director, 681-4678

**SUBJECT:** Approval of Agreement with Child Abuse Listening Mediation, Inc. and Santa Maria Valley Youth and Family Center and St. Vincent's Institution for Targeted Community-Based Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Services

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**County Counsel Concurrence**

As to form: Yes

**Auditor-Controller Concurrence**

As to form: Yes

**Other Concurrence:** Risk Management

As to form: Yes

**Recommended Actions:**

- a) Approve and authorize the Chair to execute an Agreement with Child Abuse Listening Mediation, Inc. (CALM), a local vendor, to provide Targeted Community-Based Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Services for the period of July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017, in an amount not to exceed \$239,324.00 (Attachment 1); and
- b) Approve and authorize the Chair to execute an Agreement with Santa Maria Valley Youth and Family Center (SMVYFC), a local vendor, to provide Targeted Community-Based Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Services for the period of July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017, in an amount not to exceed \$147,000.00 (Attachment 2); and
- c) Approve and authorize the Chair to execute an Agreement with St. Vincent's Institution, a local vendor, to provide Targeted Community-Based Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Services for the period of July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017, in an amount not to exceed \$25,500.00 (Attachment 3); and
- d) Approve funding recommendation in the amount of \$100,000.00 (24%) from the Children's Trust Fund, which include the following:

- \$60,000.00 to CALM as partial funding source for the agreement recommended in (a) above; and
  - \$40,000.00 to SMVYFC as partial funding source for the agreement recommended in (b) above; and
- e) Determine that the approvals and execution of the above Agreements are 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:**

These items are on the agenda in order to approve the Agreements with CALM, SMVYFC, and St. Vincent's Institution to provide Targeted Community-Based Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Services. The St. Vincent's Institution Agreement is on the agenda as a board contract and to inform the Board of Supervisors as this vendor's contract in aggregate will exceed the \$100,000 threshold for the County.

**Background:**

The County of Santa Barbara Department of Social Services (DSS) is committed to providing family-centered, strength-based child abuse and neglect prevention services in collaboration with its community partners. The Department is also committed to ensure that the available funding is used in the most strategic and integrated fashion to promote a comprehensive system of care that addresses the need for early identification and prevention services that are open and accessible to all families, while linking parents and children to intervention and treatment services as needed.

CALM, in collaboration with Family Service Agency, Isla Vista Youth Projects, Santa Ynez Valley People Helping People, Carpinteria Children's Project and the Cuyama Valley Family Resource Center, will provide child abuse and neglect prevention services county-wide. The majority of services will be provided in South and Mid-Santa Barbara County. SMVYFC, in collaboration with the Guadalupe Family Service Center, will provide child abuse and neglect prevention services in North County. St. Vincent's Institution will provide child abuse and neglect prevention services in South County. Specific services include case management, evidence-based parent education, home visitation, information and referrals, and mental health services for families at-risk of child abuse and neglect.

In 1983, the Legislature passed Assembly Bill 2994, which authorized the creation of the County's Children's Trust Fund (CTF). The purpose of the CTF is to fund child abuse prevention and intervention programs. Revenue sources for the CTF consist of fees from birth certificates, pursuant to Section 18968 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, and fees from special license plate sales. The Board of Supervisors is responsible for approving all funding recommendations for the Children's Trust Fund (Welfare and Institutions Code 18697). The County Department of Social Services is responsible for administering all funds at the local level, with oversight from various community councils, including the Child Abuse Prevention Council and the KIDS Network.

As in prior funding cycles, federal, state and local child abuse prevention funds available for community-based services were integrated into one request for proposal to align services along priority outcomes based on the Five-Year Plan for Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention. The Five-Year Plan was accepted by the California Department of Social Services Office of Child Abuse Prevention on May 15, 2013 and was presented and approved by this Board of Supervisors as part of the Santa Barbara County System Improvement Plan 2012 on August 27, 2013.

Four Federal and State funding sources are available to the County for child abuse and neglect prevention and intervention. Federal funds are the Community Based Child Abuse Prevention funds (CBCAP), and the Promoting Safe and Stable Families funds (PSSF). Child Abuse Prevention, Intervention and Treatment funds (CAPIT) are State Realignment funds, and the Children's Trust Fund (CTF) is a local fund specifically designated in law for community-based child abuse and neglect prevention activities.

A request for proposals was released on January 20, 2016 for the prevention of child abuse and neglect in Santa Barbara County, with an emphasis on community-wide coordination and collaboration, evidence-based programming and measurable community impact. As a result four (4) proposals for funding were received by the submittal due date of March 2, 2016. Following a comprehensive evaluation, contracts are being awarded to CALM, SMVYFC, and St. Vincent's Institution.

### **Performance Measure:**

#### ***CALM Performance Measures***

- 75% of case managed clients (those who have had a post assessment) will demonstrate progress towards self-sufficiency in their knowledge of and ability to access community resources as measured by the Family Development Matrix.
- 60% of parents receiving services will maintain or improve positive parenting attitudes related to reduced risk of child abuse, including appropriate developmental expectations, positive parent-child roles, positive beliefs against corporal punishment, and empathy for their children following 6 months of treatment as measured by the AAPI-2.
- Family's overall Family Functioning, Emotional Support, Concrete Support, and Nurturing and Attachment will improve between intake and follow up as measured by an overall increase in average scores on the Protective Factors Survey.
- On average, families receiving services will rate their satisfaction with services between Good and Excellent as measured by the Client Satisfaction Questionnaire.

#### ***SMVYFC Performance Measures***

- 75% of families completing the Incredible Years Home Visiting (IYHV) program will increase their level of competency in the domains of Appropriate Discipline, Positive Parenting and Clear Expectations as demonstrated by pre/post scores on the Parenting Practices Interview (PPI) Summary Scales.
- 75% of families completing the IYHV program will increase their scores in the domains assessing the protective factors of Child Development Knowledge and Nurturing & Attachment by a minimum of 15% on the Post-Treatment Protective Factors Survey (PFS).

- 75% of families receiving case management services will achieve an increase of one point on five of the indicators measured by the FDM.
- 75% of parents surveyed with the Parent Satisfaction Survey (PSS) will “agree or strongly agree” that they are satisfied with the services that they received.

***St. Vincent’s Institution Performance Measures***

- 80% of women participating in St. Vincent’s Family Strengthening Program will move from “in-crisis” or “at-risk” to “stable” or “safe and self-sufficient” in one or more targeted areas on the Family Development Matrix after completing 6 months of program services.
- 80% of women in the program will show progress in one or more areas of mental and physical health status as indicated by scoring on the Duke Health Profile following 6 months of program services.
- 75% of women surveyed after 6 months in the program will indicate a positive level of satisfaction with services received.
- 75% of women admitted to the program will show improvement and/or strength in at least 8 out of 15 items on the Protective Factors Survey when they exit the program.

**Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

Budgeted: Yes **Fiscal Analysis:**

<b><u>Funding Sources</u></b>	<b><u>Fiscal Year</u></b>		<b><u>Total One-Time</u></b>
	<b><u>2016/17 Cost:</u></b>	<b><u>Next FY Cost:</u></b>	<b><u>Project Cost</u></b>
General Fund			
State - Realignment	\$ 117,986.00		
Federal	\$ 193,838.00		
Fees	\$ 100,000.00		
Other:			
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 411,824.00</b>		<b>\$ -</b>

Narrative:

Approval and execution of these funding recommendations will result in total direct contract expenditures of no more than \$411,824.00. Appropriations and Funding for Fiscal Year 2016/17 are included in the Department of Social Services recommended budget under the Social Programs division. The contract will be fully funded in part by the 2011 State Realignment through the Child Abuse Prevention, Intervention and Treatment funds (CAPIT), by Federal funds through the Promoting Safe and Stable Families (PSSF) and Community-based Child Abuse Prevention (CBCAP) grants, and by funds from the Children’s Trust Fund (CTF). Execution of the Contracts will not result in additional General Fund contributions. The contracts include a clause that allows the County to reduce the contracted “not-to-exceed” amount if revenues are not realized at the Department’s anticipated level.

**Key Contract Risks:**

The risk assessment worksheet has been completed for each vendor and DSS has determined the following:

- CALM is a medium risk vendor. The County has experience with CALM and is confident of their ability to provide services.
- SMVYFC is a medium risk vendor. The County has experience with SMVYFC and is confident of their ability to provide services.
- St. Vincent's Institution is a medium risk vendor. The County has experience with St. Vincent's Institution and is confident of their ability to provide services.

**Staffing Impacts:**

**Legal Positions:**

None

**FTEs:**

None

**Special Instructions:**

Please send one (1) duplicate of each original Agreement, and a copy of the minute order to:  
Department of Social Services  
Attn: Tricia Beebe, Contracts Coordinator  
2125 S. Counterpointe Parkway, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor  
Santa Maria, CA 93455

**Attachments:**

- Attachment 1 - Board Contract – CALM - CA&NP 16-17
- Attachment 2 - Board Contract – SMVYFC- CA&NP 16-17
- Attachment 3 - Board Contract – St. Vincent's Institution - CA&NP 16-17

**Authored by:**

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