



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: 09/1/15
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Time:
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Department Daniel Nielson, Director (805) 346-7101
Director(s)
Contact Info: Amy Krueger, Adult and Children Services Operations Manager
(805) 346-7248

SUBJECT: Child Abuse Listening Mediation (CALM) Agreements with the Department of Social Services (DSS)

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: Risk Management

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

- Recommended Actions:** Approve and authorize the Chair to execute an Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor with Child Abuse Listening Mediation (CALM) in the amount not to exceed \$95,000.00 to provide Child Welfare Services (CWS) Intensive Family Reunification Program Services for the period of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016 (Attachment 1); and
2. Approve and authorize the Chair to execute an Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor with CALM in the amount not to exceed \$93,000.00 to provide CWS Intensive In-Home Supportive Services for the period of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016 (Attachment 2); and
 3. Approve and authorize the Chair to execute an Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor with CALM in the amount not to exceed \$87,500.00, that includes the \$34,000.00 under Purchase Contract CN#18343 with CALM but otherwise cancels, nullifies, and supersedes Purchase Contract CN#18343, to provide CWS Family Treatment Drug Court Services to North & South County for the period of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016 (Attachment 3);
 4. Approve and ratify the following Purchase Orders with CALM:
 - a. Department of Social Services for SafeCare Program Services in the amount of \$98,000.00 (Attachment 4);
 - b. Department of Social Services for Domestic Violence Program Services \$90,000.00 (Attachment 5);

- c. Department of Social Services for Parenting Workshops in the amount of \$5,400.00 (Attachment 6); and
5. Determine that the approvals and execution of the above Agreements and ratifications of the above Purchase Orders 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 and ratifications of the Purchase Orders 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 inform the Board of Supervisors of the total amount of funding allocated to CALM through the Department of Social Services as of this date and:

1. Approve the Agreement with CALM to provide CWS Intensive Family Reunification Program (IFRP) Services for the DSS.
2. Approve the Agreement with CALM to provide CWS Intensive In-Home Supportive Services (II-HSS) for the DSS.
3. Approve the Agreement with CALM to provide CWS Family Drug Treatment Court (FDTC) to North & South Santa Barbara County.
4. Ratify the Purchase Order with CALM to provide SafeCare Program Services.
5. Ratify the Purchase Order with CALM to provide Domestic Violence Program Services.
6. Ratify the Purchase Order with CALM to provide Parenting Workshops Services.

Background:

For the past 45 years, CALM has been providing comprehensive, culturally competent services for children, adults and families. CALM has adopted evidence-based practices in treatment and prevention models, using assessments and data to evaluate the effectiveness of its programs and improve services. The Department of Social Services (DSS) has had a long and productive partnership with CALM in providing essential services 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.

Given the amount of funding to this service provider, all known purchase orders issued are now provided to the Board of Supervisors for ratification. In addition, these three new contracts are provided for your approval.

1. Intensive Family Reunification Program

The purpose of this contract is to design, organize and implement a system of interventions for parents and caregivers who are involved with CWS to provide therapeutic services to their children and to remove barriers to timely reunification of children with their families. The focus is on evidence-based mental health and supportive services for children and their caregivers, in order to keep families intact.

2. Intensive In-Home Support Services

DSS has contracted with CALM in the past to provide these services and requests approval to renew the Agreement. CWS continues to identify the need for intensive in home services for children and their families when the children have been placed in the care of the parents by the Juvenile Court system. CWS continues to support families to competently and safely care for their children in their homes. Services for children and their out of home caregivers are currently available. Services for children and their parents are available when the

family is a client of the mental health clinics. Both of the programs have proven success rates in supporting placement stability and in meeting the mental health needs of those involved. This program will expand on the existing successful model in that it will cover Intensive In-Home services for children and their families when they are not clients of a mental health clinic and when the children have been placed in the care of their parents under the supervision of the Juvenile Court system.

3. Family Drug Treatment Court Services Increase for North & South County

DSS is currently successfully contracting with CALM to provide these services. DSS is now increasing funding for the program as there is a decrease in funding available from the Alcohol Drug Mental Health Services Department (ADMHS) due to discontinuation of the Children Affected by Methamphetamine (CAM) grant. The purpose is to design, organize and implement a system of interventions for parents and caregivers with substance use and/or abuse problems who are involved with CWS and provide therapeutic services to their children. The focus is on evidence-based mental health and supportive services for children and their caregivers, transitional living services for pregnant women and their minor children in lieu of foster placement, and reunification of children with their families. The current strategy has both a prevention and intervention focus.

Existing Board Contracts/Purchasing Contracts:

The Board approved renewals of the following Board Contracts with CALM for the period of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016, with the adoption of the Fiscal Year 2015/16 budget:

- **Targeted community-Based Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Services** – on June 12, 2015 for an amount not to exceed \$233,000.00.
- **Child Welfare Services Differential Response/Front Porch Program** – on June 12, 2015 for an amount not to exceed \$143,000.00.

County Purchasing approved the following Purchasing Contracts with CALM for the period of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016:

- ***Domestic Violence Program Services***
The purpose of this purchase contract is to provide a culturally sensitive treatment program to address a much needed gap in service that focuses on the underlying factors contributing to child abuse and neglect, specifically domestic violence, for an amount not to exceed \$90,000.00.
- ***Safe Care Program Services***
The purpose of this purchase contract is to provide an evidence-based, parent training curriculum for parents who are at risk or have been reported for child maltreatment (SafeCare® Services) for an amount not to exceed \$98,000.00.
- ***North County Family Drug Treatment Court***
The purpose of this purchase contract is to design, organize and implement a system of interventions for parents and caregivers with substance use and/or abuse problems who are involved with Child Welfare Services and provide therapeutic services to their children. The focus is on evidence-based mental health and supportive services for children and their caregivers, transitional living services for pregnant women and their minor children in lieu of foster placement, and reunification of children with their families for an amount not to exceed \$34,000.00.
- ***Caring for Children affected by Trauma Parenting Workshops***
The purpose of this purchase contract is to provide parenting workshops to assist those caring for children who have been affected by trauma for an amount not to exceed \$5,400.00.

Total Funding allocated for Services as of July 2015 for Fiscal Year 2015/2016:

Service	Amount	Action Request
EXISTING AWARDS		
Targeted Community Based Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Services	\$ 233,000.00	
CWS Differential Response /Front Porch Program	\$ 143,000.00	
Domestic Violence Program Services	\$ 90,000.00	
SafeCare Program Services	\$ 98,000.00	
North County FDTC	\$ 34,000.00	
Parenting workshops	\$ 5,400.00	
Sub-Total	\$ 603,400.00	
PROPOSED AWARDS (Additional Dollars)		
1 CWS Intensive Family Reunification Program	\$ 95,000.00	Authorize and Approve Contract
2 CWS Intensive In-Home Supportive Services	\$ 93,000.00	Authorize and Approve Contract
3 North & South County FDTC	\$ 53,500.00	Authorize and Approve Increase
Sub-Total	\$ 241,500.00	
Grand-Total	\$ 844,900.00	

Performance Measure:

These performance measures refer to the proposed Agreements before the Board for consideration on *September 1, 2015*.

For Intensive Family Reunification Program Services:

- 60% of participants admitted to Intensive Family Reunification Program will stay through completion of the program and successfully reunite with their children.
- As measured by the Parenting Stress Inventory, 80% of parents/caregivers who score in the clinical or borderline categories at baseline will move into the non-clinical range by the program exit assessment.
- 80% of children will score at age level in behavioral development at the time of program exit.
- 70% of children with clinical level trauma symptoms will show post-treatment reductions to non-clinical levels per the Trauma Symptom checklist for Children.
- As measured by the Child Behavior Checklist or Youth Self-Report child and adolescent participants will show an overall reduction in problem behaviors and improvement in healthy behaviors after participation in the program.

For Intensive In-Home Support Services:

- 95 % of the referrals received will be responded to by the CONTRACTOR to the assigned CWS social worker within three (3) business days.
- 100 % compliance with scheduled appointments by the CONTRACTOR.
- 85 % of those children/families who receive Intensive In-Home services will be safely maintained in their home environment.
- 85% of the children/families would meet identified treatment goals at service termination as evidenced by clinical assessment, observation, and standardized measurement instrument outcomes.

For Increase to expand to North & South County Family Treatment Drug Court:

- 60% of participants admitted to FDTC will stay through completion of treatment and successfully reunite with their children.
- From baseline assessment to program exit, there will be a statistically significant improvement in the Addiction Severity Index composite scores for drug and alcohol use and other domains.
- As measured by the Parenting Stress Inventory, 80% of parents/caregivers who score in the clinical or borderline categories at baseline will move into the non-clinical range by the program exit assessment.
- 80% of children will score at age level in behavioral development at the time of program exit.
- 70% of children with clinical level trauma symptoms will show post-treatment reductions to non-clinical levels per the Trauma Symptom checklist for Children.
- As measured by the Child Behavior Checklist or Youth Self-Report child and adolescent participants will show an overall reduction in problem behaviors and improvement in healthy behaviors after participation in the program.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes **Fiscal Analysis:**

<u>Funding Sources</u>	<u>Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Cost:</u>	<u>Total One-Time Project Cost</u>
General Fund		
State		
Federal	\$ 53,500.00	\$ 53,500.00
Fees		
Other:	\$ 188,000.00	\$ 188,000.00
Total	\$ 241,500.00	\$ 241,500.00

Narrative:

This fiscal analysis refers to the proposed Agreements before the Board for consideration on September 1, 2015. Approval and execution of these Agreements will result in total direct expenditures of an additional amount no more than \$241,500 for the term of the Agreements, ending June 30, 2016. Appropriations and funding for FY 2015-16 are included in the Department of Social Services recommended budget under the Adult and Children Services branch. The CWS Intensive Family Reunification and Intensive In-Home program Agreement will be fully funded by the SB 163 Wraparound Program Reserve Funds. The North and South County Family Drug Court program Agreement will be fully funded through Federal Sources. Execution of these Agreements will not result in additional General Fund contributions.

Key Contract Risks:

The risk assessment worksheet has been completed and DSS has determined that CALM is a low risk vendor. The County has significant experience with CALM and is confident of their ability to continue providing 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: Contracts Coordinator, 3rd Floor
 2125 S. Counterpointe Parkway

Santa Maria, CA 93455

Attachments:

1. Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor for CWS IFRP
2. Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor for CWS II-HSS
3. Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor for North & South County FDTC
4. Purchase Order with CALM to provide SafeCare Program Services
5. Purchase Order with CALM to provide Domestic Violence Program Services
6. Purchase Order with CALM to provide Parenting Workshops Services

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