



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: June 7, 2016
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Time: N/A
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors

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Director(s)
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SUBJECT: Casa Pacifica Centers for Children and Families Agreement for Safety Watch
Services Program

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: Risk Management

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

- a) Approve and authorize the Chair to execute an Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor with Casa Pacifica Centers for Children and Families (Casa Pacifica) in the amount not to exceed \$5,000.00, for the provision of Safety Watch Services Program for the period of July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017 (Attachment 1); and
- b) Determine that the approval and execution of the Agreement is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3), finding that the approval and execution of the Agreement is 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 as this contract in aggregate will exceed the \$100,000 threshold in our department and to inform the Board of the total amount of funding allocated to Casa Pacifica through the Department of Social Services (DSS) as of this date and to recommend that the Board approve the Agreement with Casa Pacifica to provide Safety Watch Services Program.

Background:

Casa Pacifica currently provides its Safety Watch Program of intensive one-on-one supervision for those children determined to pose an extraordinary risk to themselves or others. There is a documented need for the County to contract for the provision of intensive one-on-one supervision (Safety Watch) for certain young people with emotional/behavioral and/or medical problems. Often, these children have a history of placement instability and their needs are often too complex for placement in a foster home. There exists a need for a facility/program that is equipped with both the staff and physical facility to create a secure environment for these children. The intensive one-on-one supervision is to ensure the safety of the individual child and any other children in the facility. Casa Pacifica has been providing these services since 2001.

In previous fiscal years, these services were obtained through Purchasing Contracts that were renewed on an annual basis. Given the amount of funding to this service provider, all known contracts and purchase orders are now provided to the Board for approval.

DSS has had a positive and productive relationship with Casa Pacifica.

Existing Board Contracts:

The BOS approved the following Board Contracts with Casa Pacifica for the period of July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017:

- **Children’s Wraparound Services (CWS) SB 163** – on May 10, 2016 for an amount not to exceed \$693,904.

Total Funding allocated for Services for Fiscal Year 2016-2017:

Service	Amount	Action Request
<i>EXISTING AWARDS</i>		
1 CWS SB 163	\$693,904.00	
Sub-Total		\$693,904.00
<i>PROPOSED AWARDS (Additional Dollars)</i>		
1 Safety Watch Services Program	\$5,000.00	Authorize and Approve Contract
Sub-Total		\$5,000.00
Grand-Total		\$698,904.00

Performance Measure:

These performance measures refer to the proposed Safety Watch Services Program Agreement before the Board for consideration:

- 80% of children who receive Safety Watch Services will be safely stabilized in placement and will not need a higher level of care.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes **Fiscal Analysis:**

<u>Funding Sources</u>	<u>Current FY Cost:</u>	<u>Next FY Cost:</u>	<u>Total One-Time Project Cost</u>
General Fund	\$ 1,500.00		
State	\$ 3,500.00		
Federal			
Fees			
Other:			
Total	\$ 5,000.00	\$ -	\$ -

Narrative:

Approval and execution of this contract will result in total direct contract expenditures of no more than \$5,000.00. Appropriations and Funding for Fiscal Year 2016/2017 are included in the Department of Social Services recommended budget under the Social Programs division. This contract will be funded with 70% State 2011 Realignment funds and 30% County funds.

Key Contract Risks:

The risk assessment worksheet has been completed and has determined that Casa Pacifica is a medium risk vendor. The County has significant experience with Casa Pacifica 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. Attachment 1 – Agreement – Casa Pacifica – Safety Watch Services Program
2. Attachment 2 – Casa Pacifica – Safety Watch Procedures

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