



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: December 13, 2016
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Time:
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors

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SUBJECT: Child Abuse Listening Mediation (CALM) for Family Drug Treatment Court 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:

- a) 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 \$330,000.00 (not to exceed \$110,000.00 for the period of January 1, 2017 through June 30, 2017, and not to exceed \$220,000.00 for the period of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018), to provide Family Drug Treatment Court Services for the period of January 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018 (Attachment 1); and
- b) Determine that the approval 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 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 in order to approve the Agreement between the County and Child Abuse Listening Mediation (CALM) to provide Family Drug Treatment Court services. It is the recommendation of DSS to authorize and execute this Agreement with CALM.

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.

A request for proposals was released on August 24, 2016 requesting proposals to design, organize and implement a system of interventions for parents and caregivers with substance use and/or abuse problems that are involved with Child Welfare Services and to 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. As a result, two (2) proposals for funding were received by the submittal due date of September 20, 2016. Following a comprehensive evaluation, a contract is recommended for award to CALM to provide these services.

Performance Measure:

- **70%** of participants admitted to Family Treatment Drug Court 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.

CALM has held the Family Drug Treatment Court services contract since October 2013 and has been meeting the performance measures of its contract.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

Fiscal Analysis:

Funding Sources	FY16-17 Cost:	FY17-18 Cost:	Total Project Cost
General Fund	\$ 33,000.00	\$ 66,000.00	\$ 99,000.00
State-2011 Realignment	\$ 77,000.00	\$ 154,000.00	\$ 231,000.00
Federal			
Fees			
Other:			
Total	\$ 110,000.00	\$ 220,000.00	\$ 330,000.00

Narrative:

Approval and execution of this contract will result in total direct contract expenditures of no more than \$330,000.00. The Family Drug Treatment Court (FDTC) program will be funded with 70% State 2011 Realignment funds and 30% County funds. Appropriations and Funding for Fiscal Year 2016/2017 are included in the Department of Social Services’ adopted budget under the Social Programs division.

The Department will include appropriations for the remaining term of the contract in the Department’s FY 17-18 recommended budget to complete the program services.

Key Contract Risks:

The risk assessment worksheet has been completed and DSS has determined that CALM is a low risk vendor. The County has experience with CALM and is confident of its 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: Contracts Coordinator, 3rd Floor
 2125 S. Centerpointe Parkway
 Santa Maria, CA 93455

Attachments:

1. Agreement – CALM for Family Drug Treatment Court Services

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