

# 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 21, 2011
Placement: Administrative

**Estimated Tme:** 

Continued Item: No

If Yes, date from:

Vote Required: Majority

**TO:** Board of Supervisors

FROM: Department Kathy M. Gallagher, Social Services Director, (805) 346-7101

Director(s)

Contact Info: Melissa Hoesterey, Division Chief for Social Services Operations,

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SUBJECT: Agreement with Family Care Network, Inc for the provision of an Independent Living

Program for out-of-home care youth

## **County Counsel Concurrence**

**Auditor-Controller Concurrence** 

As to form: Yes 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 execute an agreement with Family Care Network, Inc. to provide an Independent Living Program for Child Welfare Services/Probation youth for the period 7/1/11 through 6/30/12 at a cost not to exceed \$192,000.00.

# **Summary Text:**

Through a competitive bidding process, the Department of Social Services selected Family Care Network, Inc. (FCNI) to provide a creative service delivery approach for the Independent Living Program (ILP) which serves both Child Welfare Services and Probation youth. Program oversight will continue to be provided by the Santa Barbara County Department of Social Services ILP Coordinator. The goal of the ILP is to assist youth in making the transition from foster care to self sufficiency by providing services such as assistance in obtaining a high school diploma, career exploration, vocational training, job placement and retention, training in daily living skills, training in budgeting and financial management skills, substance abuse prevention, and preventive health activities. The Santa Barbara County ILP embraces academic education, self care education, and life skills education as the foundation for the ILP at the onset of services for youth aged 16 to 18 (optional for 14-15 year olds) and through the emancipation continuum. Education and training provided to former foster youth 18 to 20

involved with ILP includes housing information, counseling, employment, education, finances and other appropriate support/services in order to complete the youth's own efforts to achieve self-sufficiency.

This contract contains a clause that allows for termination by the department with 30 days notice in the event funding from any source is diminished or becomes unavailable.

## **Background:**

Santa Barbara County Department of Social Services is held accountable by the State to comply with the California Manual of Policy and Procedures Division 30 and 31 ILP regulations. These regulations necessitate ILP services to provide learning activities in the following areas: Money Management, Job Skills/Career Planning, Educational Planning, Health and Counseling, Living Independently, Resource Listing and Training, and Mentor Relationships. In addition, the Santa Barbara County ILP includes: an Aftercare Program, Transportation, Job Training, Involvement of Care Providers, and Integration of existing services, Survival Skills, Interpersonal/Social Skills and Computer Skills. Services to be provided under this Agreement are in conformance with California Manual of Policy and Procedures Division 30 and 31 Regulations.

There is current State legislation under AB 12 known as the California Fostering Connections to Success Act that will impact ILP during the first year of the contract. There are several components of AB 12 that will impact both the target population and the service delivery model of the ILP once fully implemented. The Contractor has agreed to keep apprised of the impacts of the AB 12 legislation and adjust program parameters accordingly to ensure compliance with the new, pending regulations.

**Performance Measure:** 

Core Outcome ILP Requirements	Plan			
Education	100% of eligible youths in ILP will have an individualized and identified secondary education completion program.			
Employment	100% of all eligible youths in ILP will be referred for an employment and/ or work training assessment.			
Resource Listing	100% of all eligible youth in ILP will have information, verbal and/or written provided to them in the areas of community resources.			
Career Development	100% of all eligible youth in ILP will have information, verbal or written provided to them in the areas of job seeking, writing a resume, interviewing skills and employment expectations.			
Health and Safety	100% of all eligible youth in ILP will have information, verbal and/or written provided to them in the areas of substance abuse, pregnancy prevention, and sexually transmitted diseases and will have a medical provider.			
Financial Resources	100% of all eligible youth in ILP will have information, verbal or written provided to them in the areas of financial literacy, opening and maintaining an active bank account and successfully completing a budget.			
Housing	100% of all eligible youth in ILP will have information, verbal or written provided to them in the areas of locating housing, utilities, basic understanding of landlord and tenant rights and keeping a home secure.			
Daily Living Skills	100 % of all eligible youth in ILP will have a documented assessment of their daily living skills with identified activities for attaining competency in this area.			

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Survival Skills	100% of all eligible ILP youths will have a documented assessment of their survival skills with identified activities for attaining competency in this area.
Interpersonal/Social Skills	100% of all eligible ILP youths will have a documented assessment of their interpersonal/social skills with identified activities for attaining competency in this area.
Computer/ Internet Skills	100% of all eligible ILP youths will be tested for their computer/internet skills with an expectation that they possess basic skill levels with identified activities for attaining competency in this area.

Youth Target Outcomes	Plan		
Money Management	<ul> <li>Follows a budget = 85%</li> <li>Savings account = 90%</li> <li>Responsible banking = 75%</li> <li>Paying bills and wise spending = 75%</li> <li>Successfully completed TILP goals = 90%</li> </ul>		
Job Skills/Career Planning	<ul> <li>Prepared resume and job applications = 100%</li> <li>Seeking work = 100%</li> <li>Has a job = 85%</li> <li>Established a career objective &amp; goals = 95%</li> <li>Successfully completed TILP goals = 95%</li> </ul>		
Educational Planning	<ul> <li>Able to complete HSD or equivalency = 100%</li> <li>Assigned a tutor = 25%</li> <li>Has completed HSD or equivalency = 95%</li> <li>Has a college or vocational training plan = 100%</li> <li>Enrolled in higher education or vocational training = 75%</li> <li>Successfully completed TILP goals = 95%</li> </ul>		
Health and Wellbeing	<ul> <li>Referred to necessary services = 100%</li> <li>Currently receiving necessary health services = 100%</li> <li>Prepares healthy menus = 85%</li> <li>Engaged in positive social activities = 95%</li> <li>Uses MediCal or health insurance = 100%</li> <li>Successfully completed TILP goals = 95%</li> </ul>		
Independent Living	<ul> <li>Follows a transportation plan = 100%</li> <li>Completed housing exercise = 100%</li> <li>Secured housing and furnishings = 100% of those seeking housing</li> <li>Successfully completed TILP goals = 95%</li> </ul>		
Personal and Community Resources	<ul> <li>Has all vital documents = 100%</li> <li>Uses community resources = 80%</li> <li>Successfully completed TILP goals = 90%</li> </ul>		

Permanent Supportive	Has requested a mentor = 25%
Relationships	<ul> <li>Has an assigned mentor/intern = 30%</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Has established a community-based support team = 70%</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Successfully completed TILP goals = 90%</li> </ul>

#### Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Select\_Budgeted

# Fiscal Analysis:

Funding Sources	Current FY Cost:	Annualized On-going Cost:	Total One-Time Project Cost	
General Fund				
State			\$	81,000.00
Federal			\$	111,000.00
Fees				
Other:				
Total	\$ -	\$ -	\$	192,000.00

#### Narrative:

Approval and execution of this contract will result in total direct contract expenditures of no more than \$192,000. Appropriations and associated funding for FY 2011-2012 are included in the Department of Social Services recommended budget under the Social Service Programs division. This contract is 100% funded by federal and state funds. Funding levels by each agency is subject to change from year to year, depending on the grant amount the State receives. Execution of this Contract will not result in additional General Fund contributions. The Agreement contains a non-appropriation clause in the event funds are not appropriated.

#### **Staffing Impacts:**

Legal Positions: FTEs

## **Special Instructions:**

Please send one (1) duplicate original Agreement and one (1) copy of the Minute Order to:

Department of Social Services Attn: Linda Rodriguez-Contracts Coordinator 2125 S. Centerpointe Parkway Santa Maria, CA 93455 Santa Maria, CA 93455

# Attachments:

Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor

#### Authored by:

Melissa Hoesterey, Division Chief for Social Services Operations **cc:**