SANTA BARBARA COUNTY BOARD AGENDA LETTER



Clerk of the Board of Supervisors 105 E. Anapamu Street, Suite 407 Santa Barbara, CA 93101 (805) 568-2240 Agenda Number:

Prepared on: 3/1/06

Department Name: Social Services

Department No.: 044 **Agenda Date:** 3/21/06

Placement: Administrative

Estimate Time: 5 mins. **Continued Item:** NO

If Yes, date from:

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Kathy Gallagher, Social Services Director

Michael Brown, County Executive Officer

STAFF Ken Jensen, Deputy Director

CONTACT:

SUBJECT: Set a Date to Receive a Report on the Child Welfare Services Foster Care Program

Recommendation(s):

That the Board of Supervisors:

Set March 21, 2006 to receive a report on the status of the Child Welfare Services Foster Care Program including a request for an additional 4 Social Services Practitioner positions.

Alignment with Board Strategic Plan:

The recommendation is primarily aligned with Goal No. 7: A community that fosters the safety and well being of children and families.

Executive Summary and Discussion:

The Department and the Office of the County Executive request the opportunity to update the Board of Supervisors on the Program due to significant increases in the Foster Care caseload and costs.

Mandates and Service Levels:

None affected by this action.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Setting the date for this update will have neither fiscal or facilities impact.

Special Instructions:

After execution by the Chair, please return one (1) originally signed agreement for the contractor, the Department copies of the agreements and one (1) copy of the minute order, attention: Paula Haines.

Concurrence:

None