



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: 2/7/12
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Tme:
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Department Kathy M. Gallagher, Director, Social Services, (805) 346-7101
Director(s) 7101
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SUBJECT: **Amendment No. 1 with Family Care Network, Inc. for the continued provision of the Transitional Housing Placement-Plus Program services**

County Counsel Concurrence

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 Amendment No. 1 with Family Care Network, Inc. (FCN) in the amount of \$331,884.00 to provide continued Transitional Housing Placement-Plus (THP-Plus) program services to emancipated Foster/Probation youth from Santa Barbara County.

Summary Text:

THP-Plus is a State program created in 2001 to provide affordable housing and supportive services to former foster youth ages 18 to 24 to prevent homelessness and to increase the chances of successful transition to adulthood. California Senate Bill 1576, passed in June 2006, modified the funding requirements for the State's THP-Plus program by eliminating a County share requirement and expanded the program to any county with an approved THP-Plus plan. Santa Barbara County Department of Social Services (DSS) has had an approved plan since 2007 and opened the La Morada facility on November 1, 2007 to residents.

The County recognizes that our former foster youth continue to need housing and supportive concrete services delivered in a real-life environment in order to fully prepare them for self-sufficiency. With that purpose, the County solicited interest from non profit service providers having experience working with this population and experience offering aftercare services.

Service providers are expected to work with Santa Barbara County Department of Social Services (DSS) to fully maximize the available State allocation by providing services to the maximum number of THP-Plus participants possible in Santa Barbara County. The THP-Plus program is certified by DSS and provides former foster youth with safe, affordable housing and access to comprehensive supportive services in Santa Barbara and the north county region.

Santa Barbara County continues to utilize the following THP-Plus models:

Single-site transitional model in the Santa Barbara area of Santa Barbara County: Participants live in housing at a single location leased by the THP-Plus provider. THP-Plus supportive services and rental subsidies are provided for a 24-month period. The participant moves out of the rental unit at the conclusion of their program participation.

DSS was “given” the use of a county owned facility named La Morada. In June 2007, La Morada was designated as a facility for use by the County’s Independent Living Program (ILP).

The proposed plan was for La Morada to serve as a *single site* transitional housing program for emancipating youth. The single site transitional model will operate out of the county leased building which will be leased to the Contractor at a rate of \$1.00 per month. The Contractor will negotiate a lease with the General Services Department. Insurance, utilities, maintenance, upkeep and repairs will be at the cost of the Contractor. Possessory interest charges may be waived by the county for the purposes of this program. The Contractor will have oversight of facility operations.

Scattered-site permanent model in the Santa Maria area of Northern Santa Barbara County: Participants live in housing located in multiple locations in the community that are owned or leased by the THP-Plus provider. THP-Plus supportive services and rental subsidies are provided for a 24-month period. The participant may continue to live in the rental unit at the conclusion of their program participation.

Background:

The Request for Proposals for THP-Plus was released November 10, 2009. Two proposals were received. Following a comprehensive evaluation, a contract was awarded to Family Care Network, Inc., a local vendor, to provide services in Santa Barbara County. Key considerations were demonstrated capacity to provide the services, strong experience, and reasonable, allowable, and necessary costs. Family Care Network Inc. has been a transitional housing provider for transitional age youth since 1999, and has served youth aging out of foster care for 19½ years.

Their program fully incorporates best practices and wraparound services philosophy; embraces and promotes community integration and participation; provides individualized, one-on-one services which give clients “voice, choice & preference”; and incorporates a "positive peer culture" environment and approach to maximize client participation. Family Care Network, Inc. will create partnerships, linkages and community supports necessary to successfully meet client needs and achieve program outcomes. Furthermore, the agency has the infrastructure needed to effectively manage all aspects and requirements of this program.

Performance Measure:

The following performance measures were met or nearly met (within 2%) by the provider during this time period:

- Maintaining THP-Plus placement

- College/Vocational Outcomes
- Employment Outcomes
- Financial Outcomes
- Community and Permanency Outcomes

Contractor will meet the following program goals:

Goal:	Measure 1:	Measure 2:
1. The THP-Plus program will assist emancipated foster youth to secure stable housing.	Annually, 75% of the THP-Plus enrolled tenants will successfully maintain their THP-Plus placement.	Annually, 75% of the participants exiting the THP-Plus Program will secure and maintain housing for at least one year.
2. The THP-Plus program will increase the employability of emancipated foster youth.	Of the THP-Plus residents not employed at time of entry, 75% will obtain employment or enter into a vocational training program or internship within six months of entering the program.	75% of THP-Plus residents will increase their income within one year of entering the transitional housing program.
3. The THP-Plus program will encourage emancipated youth furthering their educational goals.	Annually, 75% of participants will be enrolled within an accredited college or 4-year educational institution or trade or technical school.	90% of participants in or exiting the program will obtain their high school diploma or equivalent.
4. The THP-Plus program will assist emancipated youth in connecting to health care Services and other community based resources.	100% of THP-Plus participants will be enrolled in Medi-Cal or other private / public health insurance program.	100% will obtain information about community services such as food banks, food stamps, legal services, financial aid programs, and individual development accounts.
5. Daily Living: The THP-Plus program will assist emancipated youth in learning life skills necessary for self-sufficiency.	<p><u>Measure 1: Budgeting</u> 90% of THP-Plus participants will develop a realistic budget for living expenses and live with-in the established budget.</p> <p><u>Measure 2: Shop/Healthy Meals</u> 90% of THP-Plus participants will be able to grocery shop for healthy meals on an established budget, utilizing additional resources as needed.</p> <p><u>Measure 3 – Transportation</u> 100% of THP-Plus participants will have transportation (i.e.: skateboard, bicycles, vehicle) and/or be able to effectively utilize public transportation.</p>	

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts: _____

Budgeted: Yes

Fiscal Analysis:

<u>Funding Sources</u>	<u>Total Prior Year</u> <u>Cost:</u>	<u>FY 2011/12</u> <u>Original</u> <u>Contract Cost:</u>	<u>FY 2011/12</u> <u>Amendment</u> <u>Cost:</u>	<u>FY 2012/13</u> <u>Amendment</u> <u>Cost:</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>Amendment</u> <u>Annualized</u> <u>Cost:</u>
General Fund					
State - Realignment	\$ 442,512.00	\$ 221,256.00	\$ 110,628.00	\$ 221,256.00	\$ 331,884.00
Federal					
Fees					
Other:					
Total	\$ 442,512.00	\$ 221,256.00	\$ 110,628.00	\$ 221,256.00	\$ 331,884.00

Narrative:

Approval and execution of this Contract Amendment will result in total additional expenditures of no more than \$331,884.

Expenditures for this amendment have been allocated as follows: \$110,628 in Fiscal Year 2011/12 and \$221,256 in Fiscal Year 2012/13. Appropriations and Funding for FY 2011/12 are included in the Department of Social Services requested budget under the Social Programs Division. Appropriations and Funding for Fiscal Year 2012/13 will be included in the Department of Social Services requested budget as part of the Social Programs Division. Funding for this Amendment is 100% from the State Realignment 2011 subaccount for the California Department of Social Services (CDSS). The Budget Act of 2011 realigns the California Department of Social Services (CDSS) funding for Adoption Services, Foster Care, Child Welfare Services, and Adult Protective Services from the state to local governments and redirects specified tax revenue to fund those programs. The Health and Human Services Account was established within the local Revenue Fund 2011, which contains program subaccounts for CDSS and the Alcohol and Drug Programs. The Amendment includes a clause that allows the County to adjust the “not-to-exceed” amount if revenues are not realized at the Department’s anticipated level.

Staffing Impacts:

Legal Positions:

None

FTEs:

None

Special Instructions:

Please send one (1) duplicate original Agreement, and a copy of the minute order to:
Contracts Unit
C/O Linda Rodriguez
2125 S. Centerpointe Parkway, 3rd floor
Santa Maria, CA 93455

Attachments:

Amendment No 1 to Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor

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