



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: May 10, 2022
Placement: Departmental
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Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: N/A

TO: Board of Supervisors

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SUBJECT: Child Welfare Services - Family First Prevention Services Act Overview

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: N/A

Other Concurrence: N/A

As to form:

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Receive a presentation from the Department of Social Services regarding the Child Welfare Services Family First Prevention Services Act Overview; and,
- b) Determine that the activity is not a "Project" subject to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) review per CEQA Guideline Section 15378(b)(4), since the activity is an organizational or administrative activity of government that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment.

Summary Text:

This item is on the agenda in order for the Board to receive and file the Department of Social Services, Child Welfare Services (CWS) Family First Prevention Services Act overview.

Background:

The Family First Prevention Services Act (FFPSA) was signed into law as part of the Bipartisan Budget Act on February 9, 2018. This act reforms the federal child welfare financing streams, Title IV-E and Title IV-B of the Social Security Act, to provide services to families who are at risk of entering the child

welfare system. FFPSA Part I, Prevention Services Program, aims to prevent children from entering foster care by allowing federal reimbursement for mental health services, substance use treatment, and in-home parenting skill training. California submitted a comprehensive FFPSA implementation plan to the Administration for Children and Families on August 5, 2021. Local FFPSA implementation planning activities are currently underway and additional guidance from both the federal and state level regarding allocations, timelines, and opt-in requirements remain forthcoming.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

N/A

Attachments:

N/A

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