

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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Department Name: Sc

Social Services

Department No.:

044

For Agenda Of:

June 28, 2022

Placement:

Administrative

Estimated Time:

Continued Item:

No

If Yes, date from:

Vote Required:

Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Department

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Director(s)

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SUBJECT:

Memorandum of Understanding with Santa Barbara County Education Office

(SBCEO) for Educational Support for Dependent Youth (IV-E Foster Care

Administrative Activities)

County Counsel Concurrence

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: Risk Management

As to form: Yes

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Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Approve and authorize the County of Santa Barbara Department of Social Services (DSS) Director to execute a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Santa Barbara County Education Office (SBCEO) for Educational Support for Dependent Youth (IV-E Foster Care Administrative Activities);
- b) Authorize the Director of DSS to execute up to five (5) one-year extensions of the term of this MOU subject to annual appropriations and concurrence from County Counsel, Risk Management and Auditor-Controller; and
- c) Determine that the activity is not a "Project" subject to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) review per CEQA Guideline Section 15378(b)(5), 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 to approve the MOU between DSS and SBCEO for Educational Support for Dependent Youth (IV-E Foster Care Administrative Activities).

Background:

SBCEO operates Foster Youth Services (FYS) and is responsible for providing services in accordance with Education Code Sections 42920 - 42925. Under this direction, SBCEO serves dependent youth placed in foster care in Santa Barbara County.

In addition, effective in January 2004, DSS was made aware of Assembly Bill 490 (Chapter 862, Statutes of 2003) requiring the adherence to key provisions supporting the educational opportunities within the best interest of the children in foster care. The passage of Assembly Bill 854 (Chapter 781), in October of 2015, further clarified the requirements of operating a Foster Youth Services Coordinating Program (FYSCP).

Subsequently, SBCEO and DSS have collaborated in an effort to better serve and support our County's foster youth and their respective educational needs. This MOU is intended to ensure that all foster youth in Santa Barbara County receive support for educational opportunities, in accord with Education Code Sections 42921, 48853.5 and 49069.5.

The purpose of this MOU is to identify the specific and general responsibilities of each participant within the framework of Title IV-E of the Social Security Act. This MOU conforms to applicable federal, state, and local laws and shall be updated as required pursuant to any change in federal, state, or local laws to ensure compliance therewith.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Select Budgeted

Fiscal Analysis:

Funding Sources	FY2022/23:		Annua On-goir		One-Time ect Cost
General Fund					
State					
Federal	\$	253,215.00			
Fees					
Other:					
Total	\$	253,215.00	\$	-	\$ -

Narrative:

Approval and execution of this MOU will result in a total cost not to exceed \$253,215 for Fiscal Year 2022/23, and will be reviewed for renewal on 6/30/2023. Total program cost is \$874,087 and SBCEO is responsible for the local match amount, which is estimated at 71% of the total program cost. Funding for this agreement is comprised of Title IV-E funds that will pass through DSS to SBCEO. There is no impact to the General Fund.

Staffing Impacts:

<u>Legal Positions:</u>

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Special Instructions:

Please email and send two (2) duplicate original MOUs, and a copy of the minute order to: DSS Contracts Unit C/O Tricia Beebe 2125 S. Centerpointe Parkway, 3rd Floor Santa Maria, CA 93455 tbeebe@countyofsb.org

Attachments:

1. Attachment 1 – MOU - SBCEO Educational Support for Dependent Youth (IV-E)

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