

# BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA LETTER

#### **Agenda Number:**

# Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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**Department Name:** District Attorney

Department No.: 021

For Agenda Of: October 4, 2022

Placement: Administrative

**Estimated Time:** 

Continued Item:  $N_0$ 

If Yes, date from:

Vote Required: Majority

**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Department Joyce E. Dudley, District Attorney (805-568-2308)

Director(s)

Contact Info: Megan Rheinschild, Victim Witness Program Director (805-568-

2408)

**SUBJECT:** Approval of Service Agreement with Kingdom Causes, Inc., dba CityNet, for

Support of the Santa Barbara County Human Trafficking Task Force

#### **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 Kingdom Causes, Inc., dba CityNet, for collaborative leadership and administrative support to the Santa Barbara County Human Trafficking Task Force for the period of October 4, 2022 through September 30, 2023, for a total amount not to exceed \$100,000; and
- b) Determine that the recommended actions are not the approval of a project that is subject to environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15378(b)(4), finding that the project is a creation of government funding mechanisms or other government fiscal activities, which do not involve any commitment to any specific project which may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment.

## **Summary Text:**

The District Attorney's Office is requesting that the Board of Supervisors approve and authorize the Chair to execute an Agreement with Kingdom Causes, Inc., dba CityNet, for collaborative leadership and administrative support to the Santa Barbara County Human Trafficking Task Force in an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00. The term of the Agreement begins on October 4, 2022, and all program funds must be expended by September 30, 2023. This Agreement will be fully grant-funded by Federal Office of Victims of Crime (OVC) funding.

Following Board approval, Kingdom Causes, Inc., dba CityNet will provide support to the Santa Barbara County Human Trafficking Task Force and its mission to develop and enhance multi-disciplinary strategies that employ victim-centered, collaborative, and sustainable approaches to identify victims of all types of human trafficking. The Agreement represents a project that is ready for immediate implementation.

## **Background:**

In 2013, a local task force consisting of various County departments, local law enforcement, and non-profit agencies was created to educate the community and stakeholders to recognize, identify and respond to trafficked victims. In addition, the Task Force provides a venue for information-sharing and networking with resources available from each of the respective agencies. Under the direction of the District Attorney, the Victim Witness Project Director and Supervisor continue to facilitate the Countywide Human Trafficking Task Force, coordinating and delivering training, and providing an avenue for services and outreach on the subject. In collaboration with the County Department of Child Welfare Services (CWS) and Probation, the Task Force has developed screening tools for CWS and Probation to use to help identify at-risk youth.

In September 2019, the Santa Barbara County District Attorney's Office was awarded \$675,000 in grant funding to support the *FY 2019 Direct Services to Support Victims of Human Trafficking Program*. The goal of the program is to enhance the quality and quantity of services available to victims of human trafficking, as defined by the Trafficking Victims Protection Act (TVPA) of 2000, as amended. Funding through this program is intended to support direct services to victims of sex trafficking and labor trafficking, as well as for efforts to increase the capacity of communities to respond to human trafficking through the development of interagency partnerships, professional training, and public awareness activities.

### **Performance Measure:**

The services provided through the Agreement are summarized in Exhibit A: Statement of Work. The contractor will provide reports to the District Attorney's Office regarding services provided and the outcomes, or performance measures, during the monthly advisory committee meetings and Action Groups. Action Groups will be held at least every other month, or as needed. Suggested Action Groups could organize around topics such as Community Education & Mobilization, Data Systems, Funders Roundtable, Faith-Based Mobilization, and more as determined by the Advisory Committee.

## **Contract Renewals and Performance Outcomes:**

N/A

## **Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

The not-to-exceed Agreement amount is \$100,000.00 for the period of October 4, 2022 through September 30, 2023. This is comprised of Salaries and Employee Benefits in the amount of \$70,000 and Operating Expenses in the amount of \$30,000. The funds for the Federal Human Trafficking Task Force grant must be fully expended by September 30, 2023.

## **Fiscal Analysis:**

| Funding Sources | Current FY Cost: |            | Annualized On-going Cost: | <u>Total One-Time</u><br><u>Project Cost</u> |            |
|-----------------|------------------|------------|---------------------------|--|------------|
| General Fund    |                  |            |                           |  |            |
| State           |                  |            |                           |  |            |
| Federal         | \$               | 100,000.00 |                           | \$   | 100,000.00 |
| Fees            |                  |            |                           |  |            |
| Other:          |                  |            |                           |  |            |
| Total           | \$               | 100,000.00 |                           | \$   | 100,000.00 |

### **Key Contract Risks:**

Kingdom Causes, Inc., dba CityNet, was selected because they are a unique and proven facilitator of cause-based, collaborative efforts in combatting human trafficking. Kingdom Causes' facilitation experience in the sector of human trafficking prevention surpasses 10 years, and its task force in Long Beach, CA serves as a regional model of collaboration and solutions-focused dialogue around all forms of human trafficking. There is minimal risk to the County.

## **Staffing Impacts:**

There are no staffing impacts.

### **Special Instructions:**

Please return the following items to John DeAlba, DA Department Business Specialist:

- a) One (1) Minute Order
- b) One (1) duplicate fully-executed original of the Agreement

## **Attachments:**

Attachment A: Service Agreement with Kingdom Causes, Inc., dba CityNet

### **Authored by:**

John DeAlba Department Business Specialist (x82434)