

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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Department Name: Social Services

Placement: Administrative

Estimated Time:

If Yes, date from:

Vote Required: 4/5

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Department Daniel Nielson, Social Services Director

Director(s) (805) 346-7101

Contact Info: Raymond L. McDonald, Executive Director, Workforce

Development Board, (805) 884-6830

SUBJECT: Agreement with Arbor E&T, LLC dba ResCare Workforce Services for Adult

and Dislocated Worker Career Services for the 25% Additional Assistance

Projects

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 Chair to execute an Agreement with Arbor Education & Training, LLC dba ResCare Workforce Services for Adult and Dislocated Worker Career Services for the 25% Additional Assistance Projects for a total contract amount not to exceed \$602,199 for the period of July 14, 2020 through December 31, 2021;
- b) Authorize the Director of Social Services, or designee, to extend the Agreement and allocate the amount of unused funds from the previous Fiscal Year budget to the next Fiscal Year Budget, subject to appropriations and budget approval;
- c) Approve Budget Journal Entry No. 0006926 to establish funds for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for \$505,077 (ResCare for \$446,466 and WDB Salaries and Benefits for \$58,611) in the Department of Social Services Fund 0058 (4/5 Vote Required); and
- d) 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 Agreement with Arbor Education & Training, LLC dba ResCare Workforce Services (ResCare) for Adult and Dislocated Worker Career Services (ADWCS) for the 25% Additional Assistance (AA) Projects in Santa Barbara County for a total contract amount not to exceed \$602,199 for the period from July 14, 2020 through December 31, 2021. The projects include the COVID-19 Layoff Assistance Project and Underserved COVID-19 Impacted Individual Project. The Department of Social Services (DSS) recommends the approval of the Agreement.

Background:

The Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) was signed into law on July 22, 2014. It supersedes the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 taking effect July 1, 2015 with the goal of providing job seekers access to employment, education, training and support services to succeed in the labor market and to match employers with skilled workers they need to compete in a global economy.

WIOA authorizes the Governor to set aside up to 25 percent of the state's Dislocated Worker funds to support California's Rapid Response system in situations when Local Workforce Development Areas experience sudden and large increases of unemployment due to natural disasters, mass layoffs, or other events. The funds are available as discretionary grants and are to provide direct services to dislocated workers when local resources are inadequate to meet the demand for career and training services in the local America's Job Centers of California. SM

On March 2020, Governor Newsom issued an emergency proclamation for the State of California due to the effects of the Coronavirus pandemic. To assist with the mass layoffs and business closures in our community, Santa Barbara County Workforce Development Board (SBCWDB) submitted two requests for 25% AA funding. In response to the SBCWDB grant applications, the State granted Santa Barbara County \$695,000 in special AA funding. This includes \$560,000 for the COVID-19 Layoff Assistance Project to serve recently laid off workers and \$135,000 for the Underserved COVID-19 Impacted Individuals Project to provide supportive services to individuals impacted by COVID-19. The AA projects will be operated by ResCare, Santa Barbara County's One Stop and Adult and Dislocated Worker Program contractor.

Performance Measure:

The following performance measures are added to the Agreement specifically for each project of the AA projects:

1. COVID-19 Layoff Assistance Project Meet the following proposed performance goals:

I. Quarterly Participation (Cumulative)											
			Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quart 3	er	Quarter 4	Quarter 5	Quarter 6	Quarter 7	
	A. Participants Enrolled			20	50		80	80	80	80	
B. Participants Co-Enrolled in other WIOA Programs			0	0	0		5	5	5	5	
	C. Participants Exited			0	0		10	40	50	80	
	D. Employed at Exit		0	0	0		5	20	40	56	
II. Program Services (Total participants to receive the following during the term of the project)											
	A. Career Services					80					
	B. Training Services					80					
C. Follow Up Services					80						
III.	III. Performance Goals			WIOA Negotiated Local Goals Percentage			AA Project Goal Percentage				
A.	A. Unsubsidized Employment at 2 nd Quarter			69.5%			69.5%				
B. Unsubsidized Employment at 4 th Quarter					66.5%		66.5%				
C. Credential Attainment Rate					58%			60%			
D. Median Earnings					\$8,000			\$8,000			
E. Measurable Skill Gains					Baseline			38%			

2. Underserved COVID-19 Impacted Individuals Project

a. Utilize funding to provide services to existing and new clients (no less than 168, or as funding allows) receiving WIOA services.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: No

Fiscal Analysis:

	FY 2	019/2020	FY	2020/2021	FY	2021/2022	Total Cost
Funding Sources	<u>Cost</u>		<u>Cost</u>		<u>Cost</u>		
General Fund							
State							
Federal	\$	4,885.00	\$	505,077.00	\$	185,038.00	\$ 695,000.00
Fees							
Other:							
Total	\$	4,885.00	\$	505,077.00	\$	185,038.00	\$ 695,000.00

Narrative:

The County will fund the \$602,199 Agreement with ResCare and the \$92,801 WDB Salaries and Benefits using \$695,000 of United States Department of Labor Employment and Training Administration WIOA 25% AA Dislocated Worker Rapid Response & Underserved COVID-19 Impacted Individuals Grant. There is no impact to General Fund. Approval of the Budget Journal Entry will appropriate \$505,100 of the total grant funds in DSS's FY 2020-21 budget; DSS will build the balance of grant funds into its FY 2021-22 budget.

Key Contract Risks:

The risk assessment worksheet has been completed and DSS has determined that ResCare is a high risk vendor. ResCare is insured for General and Professional Liability. The County has experience with ResCare and is confident of its ability to provide services.

Staffing Impacts:

Legal Positions: FTEs: None None

Special Instructions:

Please scan, email and send one (1) duplicate original Agreement, 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 t.beebe@sbcsocialserv.org

Attachments:

- 1. Attachment 1 Agreement with ResCare for 25% Additional Assistance Projects
- 2. Attachment 2 BJE 0006926 ResCare 25% Additional Assistance Projects

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