

**COUNTY OF SAN MATEO** Inter-Departmental Correspondence Human Services Agency



Date: June 29, 2015 Board Meeting Date: July 21, 2015 Special Notice / Hearing: None Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors

From: Iliana Rodriguez, Director, Human Services Agency

Subject: Agreement with Redwood City School District for the Redwood City Community Schools

# **RECOMMENDATION:**

Adopt a resolution authorizing an agreement submitted by the Redwood City School District to provide funds for the operational cost of the Redwood City Community Schools for Fiscal Year 2015-17 in the amount of \$227,352.

## BACKGROUND:

Since 1998, the Human Services Agency (HSA), City of Redwood City (CRWC), and the Redwood City School District (RWCSD) have each contributed financial support to the Redwood City Community Schools (RWCCS). RWCCS are school-based Family Resource Centers (FRCs) that provide educational support and community development activities to approximately 3,200 children and families. Services include: information and referrals to Economic Self-Sufficiency Programs, counseling, support and educational services. These services promote healthy families, increase developmental assets for children, and improve parent involvement in leadership activities. The leadership activities are designed to engage parents in the academic and social well- being of their children. FRCs are located at Taft, Fair Oaks, Kennedy, and Hoover Community Schools.

# **DISCUSSION**:

This agreement is to provide funds for operational costs to the RWCSD. CRWC will have a separate agreement with RWCSD for their contribution. RWCSD will contribute \$195,000 and HSA will contribute \$227,352 for FY 2015-17. RWCSD is committed to providing community wide access to programs and services that contribute to improving family functioning and children's well-being. FRCs are staffed primarily by out-posted employees for partner agencies who provide specialized support in their area of expertise in addition to the on-site Redwood City School District coordinators and support staff.

RWCSD's agreement complies with the County's Employee Jury Service Ordinance, as well as all other contract provisions that are required by County ordinance and administrative memoranda, including but not limited to insurance, hold harmless, non-discrimination, and equal benefits. County Counsel has approved the agreement and the resolution as to form.

Approval of this agreement contributes to the Shared Vision 2025 outcome of a Prosperous Community by ensuring a partnership and funding collaboration to build community and educational opportunities for all residents entering FRCs for individual and family well-being. It is anticipated that 2,125 children, youth, and families will utilize HSA's counseling support, education, and safety net services through the Redwood City Family Resource Center.

Measure	FY 2014-15 Estimate Actual	FY 2015-16 Projected	FY 2016-17 Projected
Number of children, youth, and families utilizing HSA counseling, support, education, and safety net services at the Redwood City Family Resource Centers (FRC).	1925	2025	2125
Reduce the number of students chronically absent (18 absences/year) in kindergarten by providing FRC services	130	110	95
Reduce the number of students manageably absent (5-10 absences/year) in kindergarten by providing FRC services	236	200	136
Percent of FRC Community School families provided training, outreach, and support services to increase family engagement	New Metrics	70%	80%

# PERFORMANCE MEASURE(S):

## FISCAL IMPACT:

The term of the agreement is July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2017. HSA's contribution to RWCCS operational costs is \$227,352, which is 100% Net County Cost. Funds have been included in the FY 2015-16 and FY 2016-17 Recommended Budgets.