



COUNTY OF SAN MATEO
Inter-Departmental Correspondence
Human Services Agency



Date: June 2, 2015
Board Meeting Date: June 16, 2015
Special Notice / Hearing: None
Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors

From: Iliana Rodriguez, Director, Human Services Agency

Subject: Agreement with StarVista for Transitional Housing Plus Program

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a resolution authorizing an agreement with StarVista to provide Transitional Housing Placement Plus Program to post emancipated Foster Youth, for the term of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2018, in the amount of \$784,242.

BACKGROUND:

In October 2007, the County of San Mateo purchased a triplex property for transitional housing to house former foster youth eligible for the Transitional Housing Placement Plus (THP+) Program. THP+ is administered by the California Department of Social Services and provides affordable housing and a wide range of supportive services, including job training, educational support, and counseling. The goal of the program is to reduce homelessness among former foster youth.

DISCUSSION:

In March 2015, the Human Services Agency (HSA) conducted a Request for Proposal (RFP), for which two (2) proposals were received. StarVista was selected as the Contractor based on the quality of programs identified in their proposal and their extensive experience working with the THP+ program and with the target population groups. This three year agreement will allow StarVista to continue providing services at the triplex facility to support emancipated youth as they transition to adulthood and provide THP+ case management and supervision for the 9-bed triplex facility.

StarVista will offer life skills training for youth according to THP+ state guidelines as administered by the California Department of Social Services and provide affordable housing and a wide range of services, including job training, educational support, and counseling.

The resolution contains the County's standard provisions allowing amendment of the County's fiscal obligations by a maximum of \$25,000 (in aggregate). County Counsel has reviewed and approved the agreement and resolution as to form and the Contractor meets the insurance certification requirement.

Approval of this agreement contributes to the Shared Vision 2025 outcome of a Prosperous Community by providing transitional housing for youth who have recently emancipated from the foster care system, and meet State THP+ eligibility requirements. As a result of participating in these services for at least one year, 88% of residents will demonstrate an increased income, and 86% of residents will continue to live in a safe and stable living environment. The THP+ program will contribute to overall increased self-sufficiency for program participants, by providing them critical life skills training, stable, transitional housing, and case management services to help them successfully transition to adulthood.

PERFORMANCE MEASURE(S):

Measure	FY 2014-15 Estimate	FY 2015-16 Projected	FY 2016-17 Projected	FY 2017-18 Projected
Percent of triplex residents who will increase their income within one year of entering the program	84%	87%	88%	89%
Percent of participants who continue to live in a safe and stable living environment one year after exiting the program	82%	84%	86%	88%

FISCAL IMPACT:

The term of the Agreement is July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2018. The total obligation for three years is \$784,242, with \$261,414 for each fiscal year and is 100% funded by State THP+ funds. This appropriation is included in the FY 2015-16 Recommended Budget and will be included in the FY 2016-17 and FY 2017-18 Recommended Budgets. There is no net county cost.

Request for Proposals – Matrix

1	Where was the RFP advertised?	San Mateo County Daily Journal
2	In addition to any advertisement, list others to whom the RFP announcement was sent:	RFP Distribution mailing list comprised of 204 providers.
3	State the total number of RFP's sent to prospective proposers:	Six (6)
4	How many proposals did you receive?	Two (2)
5	List in alphabetical order the names of the proposers (or finalists, if applicable) and the location:	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. StarVista – San Carlos, CA2. Unity Care – San Jose, CA