



COUNTY OF SAN MATEO
Inter-Departmental Correspondence
Human Services Agency



Date: March 13, 2014
Board Meeting Date: April 8, 2014
Special Notice / Hearing: None
Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors

From: Iliana Rodriguez, Director, Human Services Agency

Subject: Amendment to the Agreement with Edgewood Center for Children and Families

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a Resolution authorizing an amendment to the agreement with Edgewood Center for Children and Families to provide support services to children, youth, and families placed in the home of relatives, extending the term through June 30, 2016, and increasing the amount by \$679,527 to \$1,294,782.

BACKGROUND:

On June 5, 2012, the Board of Supervisors adopted Resolution No. 071981 allowing Edgewood Center for Children and Families (ECCF) Kinship Support Services Program (KSSP) to work collaboratively with the Human Services Agency (HSA) Children and Family Services Division to support children being placed with relatives rather than being placed in out-of-home foster placements. The KSSP has been successful in their efforts to assist and enable children to remain with families.

In December 2013 ECCF had a decrease in funding from California Department of Social Services (CDSS) that affected its respite care services. As a result, it is unable to maintain the same level of services to this population

On December 10, 2013, the Board of Supervisors adopted Resolution No. 072915 adding a 3% Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) to all Community Based Organizations.

DISCUSSION:

This Amendment extends the term of the Agreement by twenty four (24) months, and adds funds for FY 2014-15 and FY 2015-16, for the continuation of KSSP and adds 3% COLA. In addition, temporary funding has been added through this amendment to support respite care services while ECCF provides outreach services in order to be able to refer respite care out to other providers. ECCF is the sole source provider of Kinship

Support Services in the County. The County Manager's Office has approved a waiver to extend the term of the Agreement beyond three years.

The Contractor has assured compliance with the County's Contractor 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 reviewed and approved the Amendment and Resolution as to form and the Contractor meets the insurance certification requirement and the Contract Compliance Committee has approved a three-year waiver request.

The Director of the Human Services Agency or the Director's Designee is authorized to execute contract amendments which modify the County's maximum fiscal obligation by no more than \$25,000 (in aggregate), and/or modify the contract term and/or services so long as the modified term or services is/are within the current or revised fiscal provisions.

Approval of this Amendment contributes to the Shared Vision 2025 outcome of a Prosperous Community by ensuring children, who may otherwise be placed in foster and/or group homes, have the ability to live with relatives. Through this Amendment, approximately 1400 children and their kinship caregivers will receive supportive kinship services and remain with their kinship relatives for FY 2014-16. Consequently, there will be fewer disruptions in the lives of these children which will contribute to their potential for success and prosperity in their respective communities throughout the County and their development into productive adults. It is anticipated that 99% of children placed in relative or Non Related Extended Family Member (NREFM) care will remain with kin, NREFM, or return to birth parents and not be placed in out-of-home foster placements, and 75% of caregivers will achieve statistically significant improvement in health outcomes through the pre and post services health survey.

PERFORMANCE MEASURE(S):

Measure	FY 2014-15 Target	FY 2015-16 Target
Percent of children placed in relative or NREFM care who will remain with kin or return to birth parents.	99%	99%
Percent of caregivers who will achieve statistically significant improvement in health outcomes as measured by the pre and post services health survey	75%	75%

FISCAL IMPACT:

This Amendment extends the term of the Agreement by 24 months, for a new term of July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2016. The total Agreement amount is \$1,294,782, of which \$530,861 is funded by the State Kinship Support Allocation, \$229,176 is State and Federal Children and Family Services Revenue, \$534,745 is Net County Cost which will be included in the FY 2014-15 Recommended Budget and the FY 2015-16

Recommended Budget. The increase in cost to the County is 6% or \$39, 998 to temporarily support respite care services and an additional 3% COLA of \$24,272.