



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: Second Amendment with StarVista

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a Resolution authorizing an amendment to the agreement with StarVista to provide the Transitional Housing Placement Plus Program to place emancipated foster youth, extending the term through June 30, 2015, and increasing the amount by \$265,221 to \$1,026,621.

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 Program (THP-Plus). The goal of the program is to reduce homelessness among former foster youth.

On June 7, 2011, the Board of Supervisors adopted Resolution Number 071457 allowing StarVista to provide THP-Plus through a Request for Proposal Process (RFP). StarVista is a state approved provider for THP-Plus.

On July 11, 2011, an amendment was done to change the Contractor's legal name to StarVista formerly known as Youth and Family Enrichment Services.

On December 10, 2013, the Board of Supervisors adopted Resolution Number 072915 adding a 3% Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) to all Community Based Organizations.

DISCUSSION:

This Second Amendment with StarVista is to continue THP-Plus for FY 2014-15 and add 3% COLA. This Amendment will allow time for Children and Family Services to complete a Request for Proposal (RFP) for FY 2015-16. StarVista will continue providing services at the Triplex facility to support emancipated youth as they transition to adulthood. StarVista will provide THP-Plus case management and supervision for the

9-bed Triplex facility, and will offer life skills training for youth according to THP-Plus state guidelines. This program is administrated by the California Department of Social Services and provides affordable housing and a wide range of services, including job training, educational support, and counseling.

Authorizing 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.

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 Second Amendment to the Agreement 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.

Approval of this Second Amendment 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-Plus eligibility requirements. As a result of participating in these services for at least one year, up to 75% of residents will demonstrate an increased income, and 85% of residents will continue to live in a safe and stable living environment. The THP-Plus 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 2013-14 Projected	FY 2014-15 Target
Percent of Triplex residents who increase their income within one year of entering the program.	70%	75%
Percent of participants who continue to live in a safe and stable living environment after one year of exiting the program.	80%	85%

FISCAL IMPACT:

This Second Amendment extends the term of the Agreement by twelve months, for a new term of July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2015. The total amended amount is \$265,221; \$253,800 for FY 2014-15 is funded by State Transitional Housing Placement Plus (THP+) funds and \$11,421 is Net County Cost for the 3% COLA . There is no increase in the rate or services for this Amendment. This appropriation will be included in the FY 2014-15 Recommended Budget.