



County of San Mateo

Inter-Departmental Correspondence

Department: HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY

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Board Meeting Date: 6/5/2018

Special Notice / Hearing: None
Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors
From: Nicole Pollack, Director, Human Services Agency
Subject: Agreement with StarVista for Child Abuse Prevention Services

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a resolution authorizing an agreement with StarVista for Child Abuse Prevention Services for a term of July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019, and a total amount not to exceed \$250,000.

BACKGROUND:

On February 27, 2018 by resolution number 075752 the Board approved the County's System Improvement Plan ("SIP") and executed a Notice of Intent ("NOI") authorizing the Human Services Agency to administer the Child Abuse Prevention, Intervention and Treatment ("CAPIT"), Community-Based Child Abuse Prevention, and Promoting Safe and Stable Family ("PSSF") funds. The SIP is an operational agreement between the County of San Mateo and the State of California outlining how the County will improve child welfare services and provide better outcomes affecting the lives of children, youth and their families. The term of the SIP is from March 5, 2018 through March 23, 2023. The SIP, a component of the California Child and Family Services Review ("CCFSR") mandated under Assembly Bill 636, identified specific strategies related to child abuse prevention.

On December 29, 2017 the Human Services Agency issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) for child abuse prevention services through the delivery of parent education and short-term clinical services. Three service providers were selected who best met the criteria for providing education programs and clinical services required by HSA. StarVista was one of the three selected.

DISCUSSION:

This agreement with StarVista will fund child abuse prevention services through parent-education, using evidenced based modalities, and short-term clinical services. These services will be provided in a family's home or, if preferred, alternative safe sites throughout San Mateo County. Parents will learn positive parenting skills and their children will develop the skills necessary to succeed in Kindergarten and beyond. Parents and children receive additional support based on need determined through initial intake, screening, and assessments.

The resolution contains the County's standard provisions allowing amendments of the County's fiscal

obligations by a maximum of \$25,000 (in aggregate).
County Counsel has reviewed and approved the resolution and the agreement as to form.

Approval of this agreement contributes to the Shared Vision 2025 outcome of a Prosperous Community by enabling families of San Mateo County to live lives free of abuse and violence. Of the 200 families served through this agreement, it is estimated that 80% of engaged families, who have completed post-family assessments, will demonstrate an improvement in overall parenting skills (based on a joint provider-family assessment). It is also anticipated that 80% of participants will demonstrate an improvement in two areas of concern as shown by an attainment of treatment plan goals (based on the provider's reassessment).

PERFORMANCE MEASURE:

Measure	FY 2018-19 Target
Percentage of engaged families who have completed a pre- and post-family assessment who demonstrate improvement in overall parenting skills (based on a joint provider-family assessment).	80%
Percentage of participants that will demonstrate an improvement in two areas of concern as shown by an attainment of treatment plan goals (based on provider's reassessment).	80%

FISCAL IMPACT:

The total obligation of this agreement is \$250,000. This agreement is 100% funded by the Promoting Safe and Stable Families grant. There is no Net County Cost. Appropriations will be included in the FY 2018-2019 Recommended Budget.