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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: April 12, 2016

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: **Mike Dent**

SUBJECT: Resolution approving execution of Amendment No. 1 to the renewal contract with Common Goals, Inc. for the provision of drug testing and alcohol/drug treatment services for Child Protective Services (CPS) for the term of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2017 to: 1) increase the maximum contract obligation from \$130,000 to \$170,000 (an increase of \$40,000), not to exceed \$85,000 each fiscal year; 2) revise Exhibit "A" Schedule of Services to reflect additional alcohol/drug treatment services; 3) revise Exhibit "B" Schedule of Charges and Payments to reflect the increase in the maximum contract price.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the attached Resolution.

FUNDING: These are mandated, non-optional services and are funded with Child Welfare Allocation funds which consist of Federal Title IV-B, Title IV-E, Title XIX, and as needed department realignment funds. A budget amendment is not necessary at this time and there are no county general fund dollars required in the Agreement.

BACKGROUND: Per Resolution No. 15-382, the Board approved the renewal contract with Common Goals, Inc. Under this Agreement, Common Goals, Inc. performs a full range of professional drug treatment and drug testing services for referred CPS clients. Services include, but are not limited to: substance abuse assessments, outpatient drug treatment programs, therapeutic services related to substance abuse issues, an anger management program, PC 1000 (deferred entry of judgment), a batterers program, and full range of drug testing. These services are critical in healing family systems ravaged by addiction and the neglect, abuse, and child endangerment that often accompanies substance abuse.

Drug treatment services are offered as part of a court ordered and/or voluntary case plan designed to either keep children safely at home (Family Maintenance) or reunify children with their parents after being placed in foster care (Family Reunification). Family Maintenance and Family Reunification Services are mandated by Welfare and Institutions Code 361.5 and are most often court ordered, mandatory services. In a small percentage of cases, CPS will offer these services voluntarily in order to prevent costly and disruptive foster care placements.

Common Goals now provides Clean and Sober Living Houses (also known as Transitional Housing). Common Goals has two Transitional Housing service sites in Grass Valley. Both homes are four (4) bedroom houses set up to house eight (8) people with the capacity to hold nine (9) in extreme circumstances. These homes are gender-specific for men. The goal of these services is to allow clients to maintain a safe living environment while continuing their development of independent living skills under the supervision of Common Goals clinical and support staff.

It is recommended that the Board approve this Amendment which will support the continuation of these vital drug treatment/testing services and allow the utilization of Transitional Housing services.

Item Initiated by: Nicholas Ready

Approved by: Mike Dent, Department of Social Services Director