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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: November 8, 2016

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: **Mike Dent**

SUBJECT: Resolution approving Amendment #1 to the renewal Contract with Helping Hands Nurturing Center, LLC to 1) amend Exhibit "A" Schedule of Services to omit community referrals and include Plan Development and Reasonable Services; and 2) revise Exhibit "B" Schedule of Charges and Payments to reflect a change in the rate schedule. The maximum amount of \$255,000 (not to exceed \$127,500 for each fiscal year) and term of July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2018 remain unchanged.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the attached Resolution.

FUNDING: Funding for these services is provided through a grant allocation from the Child Abuse Prevention, Intervention and Treatment (CAPIT) Program; CalWORKs Single Allocation funds; Promoting Safe and Stable Families (PSSF) funds and Department Realignment funds. A budget amendment is not necessary and there are no county general funds required in the Agreement.

BACKGROUND:

Per Resolution 16-266, the Board approved and renewed this contract. Under this Agreement, the Contractor will continue to provide Nurturing Parenting Program (NPP) and Supervised Visitation Services for Child Protective Services (CPS) families, some of whom will also be receiving CalWORKs benefits.

The Nurturing Parenting Programs are family-centered initiatives designed to build nurturing parenting skills. The long term goals are to:

- Prevent recidivism in families receiving social services
- Lower the rate of teenage pregnancies

- Reduce the rate of juvenile delinquency and alcohol abuse
- Stop the intergenerational cycle of child abuse by teaching positive parenting behaviors

The Nurturing Parenting Programs target families at risk of abuse and neglect. The programs feature activities to foster positive parenting skills and self-nurturing, home practice exercises, family nurturing time, and activities to promote positive brain development in children from birth to 18 years of age. Lessons can be delivered in an individual setting, group-based setting, or combination of home and group settings. They can also be provided through supervised CPS visitation sessions occurring in the community or at the Contractor's facility.

Per this Amendment, the Contractor will additionally provide Plan Development for each defined NPP case. Plan Development is for the purposes of furthering progress or coordinating case management, and also reviewing the goals and progress along with any requests from social workers and discussing and planning how to implement the next skills or tasks. The Contractor will also provide Reasonable Services to engage clients in services that are court-ordered to parenting services.

It is recommended that the Board approve this amendment which allows continued services and supports to CalWORKs families receiving Nurturing Parenting Program services as referred to by Child Protective Services to improve outcomes for Nevada County children and families.

Item Initiated and Approved by: Mike Dent, Director of Social Services