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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: January 9, 2024

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Kathy Cahill

SUBJECT: Resolution approving a revenue contract with the California Department of Public Health related to the California Home Visiting Program for July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024 in the maximum amount of \$882,135, accepting the associated Maternal, Infant, Early Childhood Home Visiting revenue and directing the Auditor-Controller to amend the Public Health Department's Budget for Fiscal Year 2023-24 (4/5 Affirmation Vote Required).

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the attached Resolution.

FUNDING: Contract services are from federal dollars awarded through the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) for implementation of a local Maternal, Infant and Early Childhood Home Visiting program (MIECHV). Revenue is partially within the department's FY 2023-24 budget. The revenue agreement for FY 2023-24 was anticipated to be \$705,708, resulting in the need for a budget amendment of \$176,427, which is included. There are no County general fund dollars required in the agreement.

BACKGROUND: The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010 authorized creation of the Maternal, Infant and Early Childhood Home Visiting (MIECHV) Program and allocated funding for nationwide maternal, infant and early childhood visitation initiatives. Each state's governor designated the state entity to administer Home Visiting program funds on behalf of the state. For California, this is the state department of Public Health/ Maternal, Child and Adolescent Health (MCAH) Division.

The MIECHV Home Visiting Program is intended to address issues in the areas of maternal, infant and child health, mental health, early childhood development, substance abuse, domestic violence prevention, child maltreatment prevention, child welfare, education and other social services.

Under this Contract, Nevada County Public Health's Maternal Child Adolescent Health Program will receive funds to implement and support our local Maternal, Infant and Early Childhood Home

Visiting Program (MIECHV) through Child Advocates of Nevada County Healthy Babies Home Visiting Program. This voluntary program provides free home visiting services throughout Eastern and Western Nevada County following the Healthy Families America (HFA) model. Pregnant women are referred to the program through local health care provider agencies or other community partners. Families are assessed for eligibility and enrolled into services. Those families who are not eligible, will be provided with resources, including referrals to other home visiting services. This collaboration between home visiting resources aims to prevent gaps in services ensuring that all families receive the same opportunity to engage in a home visiting program.

It is recommended that the Board approve this contract and accept the funds as services provided support the California Home Visiting Program whose purpose is to: 1) provide leadership and coordinate maternal and early childhood systems and supports to advance federal, state and local efforts to improve the health and well-being of families in California; 2) cultivate strong communities; 3) promote maternal health and well-being; 4) improve infant and child health development; and 5) strengthen family functioning.

Item Initiated and Approved by: Kathy Cahill, MPH, Director of Public Health