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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: March 12, 2019

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: **Tex Ritter**

SUBJECT: Resolution approving Amendment No. 1 to the Personal Service Contract with Shona Torgrimson d/b/a Helping Hands Nurturing Center for the provision of Nurturing Parenting Program Services on behalf of families referred by Nevada County Child Protective Services in the maximum amount of \$280,000 (an increase of \$25,000)

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. Services are within the Department's F/Y 2018/19 budget and there are no county general funds required in the Agreement.

BACKGROUND:

The Child Protective Services (CPS) Division of Nevada County's Department of Social Services is mandated to investigate reports of child abuse, screen and assess families, provide case management and other services to help families stay together, place and monitor foster children, and provide adoption services.

Child Welfare Systems are required to provide Preventative and Early Intervention strategies that not only provide for the safety and permanency for children but also services that target the family's well-being. Child Protective Services is responsible for ensuring that the critical needs of children and families in the child welfare system are met.

On July 17, 2018, per Resolution NO. 18-366, this Board approved the Personal Services Contract with Shona Torgrimson, d/b/a Helping Hands Nurturing Center. Under this Agreement, the Contractor provides Nurturing Parenting Program (NPP) services utilizing the Nurturing Parenting Program (NPP) curriculum that coordinates health and social services for at-risk families referred by Child Protective Services, including supervised parenting sessions, court-ordered monitored visits and/or group services by utilizing NPP best practices through strength-based and multi-disciplinary approaches, focusing on family stability and self-sufficiency.

Child Protective Services and Contractor desire to enter into an Amendment No. 1 to the Agreement to increase the maximum contract amount to \$255,000 for the term of July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2020 (an increase of \$25,000) to meet the service needs of the 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: Tex Ritter, JD, Director of Social Services