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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: July 23, 2019

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: **Tex Ritter**

SUBJECT: Resolution approving execution of a renewal Contract with The Salvation Army for the provision of CalFresh outreach and emergency shelter services at the Booth Family Center for CalWORKs families in the maximum amount of \$200,964 for Fiscal Year 2019/20.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the attached Resolution.

FUNDING: Services are funded by CalWORKs Mental Health, and Single Allocation funds, CalWORKs Housing Support Program funds, and CalFresh outreach funds. There are no county general fund dollars required in the Agreement.

BACKGROUND:

Under this Agreement, The Salvation Army is to provide CalFresh outreach and emergency shelter services at the Booth Family Center providing shelter and support for CalWORKs participant families.

CalWORKs is a safety net program with a primary goal of reducing program dependency while increasing self-sufficiency through employment. Homelessness affects an individual's ability to achieve or maintain employment. Basic needs such as bathing facilities and a safe environment for adequate sleep are crucial to a participant's success.

The Booth Family Center is a year round homeless facility in Western Nevada County, intended to provide shelter and support to homeless families in a safe, drug-free, alcohol-

free environment. The Center is a valuable resource for families participating in CalWORKs who find themselves without permanent housing.

Under this Agreement, the Contractor will provide emergency shelter services (rooms) to families referred by the County Department of Social Services. These CalWORKs families must be pre-authorized for services by County staff and County staff determines the length of occupancy for each family, subject to the Booth Family Center's Agreement for Program Participation and Length of Stay policies.

The Salvation Army will additionally provide case management services for the referred clients occupying these rooms. The Case Manager will appropriately address the multifaceted barriers which impact the client's progress towards self-sufficiency. Homeless CalWORKs clients will receive help with accessing safe housing, domestic violence counseling, child care, health care, employment and training. The Contractor will work closely with County staff to ensure CalWORKs sponsored services are not duplicated. The Contractor will refer CalWORKs clients to available community services/programs including the One-Stop Business and Career Center to enhance clients' opportunities for success. When appropriate, a "wrap-around" services delivery methodology will be utilized.

CalFresh outreach and application assistance will be included in the services Salvation Army provides to all who seek their assistance through non-county funded programs such as utility, food and housing programs.

It is recommended that the attached renewal contract is approved as the services provided will address barriers to self-sufficiency and assist clients to move from dependence on public assistance to a life of financial independence.

Item Initiated and Approved by: Tex Ritter, JD, Director of Social Services