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**NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Board Agenda Memo**

MEETING DATE: August 22, 2023

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Rachel Peña

SUBJECT: Resolution approving execution of a renewal contract with Nevada County Superintendent of Schools (NCSOS) for the provision of Transitional Housing Program Plus (THP+), the Housing Navigator Maintenance Program (HNMP), and the Transitional Housing Program (THP) for eligible youth from the foster care system in the maximum amount of \$430,658 for the contract term of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2025.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the attached Resolution.

FUNDING: Services are funded by Child Welfare 2011 Realignment along with grant funds from California Housing and Community Development Transitional Housing Program (THP) and Housing Navigation and Maintenance Program (HNMP). Services are within the Department's FY 2023/24 budget and there are no county general fund dollars required in the agreement.

BACKGROUND: Under this contract, Nevada County Superintendent of Schools will continue to provide services related to THP+, a Transitional Housing Placement Program for eligible foster youth, 18 through 24 years of age, inclusive, (herein meaning starting at their 18th birthday until their 25th birthday), who have emancipated from the Child Welfare System. The goal of the program is to provide a safe living environment while helping youth to learn life skills and achieve self-sufficiency upon leaving the foster care support system.

Participants may live alone or with roommates in apartments or in single-family dwellings with regular support provided by THP+ agency staff and ILP (Independent Living Program) Coordinators. Contracted support services include regular visits to the participants' residences, educational guidance, employment counseling, instruction and monitoring of budgeting and household expenses and assistance in reaching their goals as outlined in the participants' Transitional Independent Living Plan (TILP).

High quality, consistent supportive services targeted to meet the needs of individual youth are essential ingredients to a successful THP+ Program. Youth may live in either

permanent or transitional housing units depending on the individual participant's needs and abilities. The program provides financial assistance for youth to secure housing, employment, education, transportation, and other miscellaneous assistance to help the youth secure a permanent living situation while building the skills and resources necessary to become independent adults.

The Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) allocated funding to counties for the support of HNMP and THP to help young adults aged 18 years through 24 years of age secure and maintain housing, with priority given to young adults from the foster care system.

It is recommended that the Board approve this Resolution as the services the Contractor will be providing will help young adults secure and maintain housing and transition to adulthood.

Item Initiated and Approved by: Rachel Peña, LCSW, Director of Social Services