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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Board Agenda Memo

July 19, 2016 **MEETING DATE:**

TO: **Board of Supervisors**

FROM: Mike Dent

SUBJECT: Resolution approving execution of Amendment #1 to the renewal contract

with Child Advocates of Nevada County for the provision of the Foothills

Healthy Babies (FHB) Program as a component of the County's

Community-Based Child Abuse Prevention (CBCAP) Plan to 1) decrease the maximum amount in Fiscal Year 2015/16 from \$20,000 to \$16,800 (a decrease of \$3,200) and 2) increase the maximum amount in Fiscal Year 2016/17 from \$20,000 to \$23,200 (an increase of \$3,200) with the total maximum contract amount remaining unchanged at \$40,000 for the

contract term of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2017.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the attached Resolution.

FUNDING: Funding to support these services is from the Community-Based Child Abuse Prevention (CBCAP) annual allocation from the California Department of Social Services, Office of Child Abuse Prevention and Department 2011 CAPIT Realignment funds. A budget amendment is not necessary and there are no county general fund dollars required in the Agreement.

BACKGROUND:

Per Resolution 15-378, the Board renewed and approved this contract. The contracted services are provided as a component of the County's approved five-year (2011-16) CAPIT/CBCAP/PSSF Plan. Foothills Healthy Babies serves mothers in Western and Eastern Nevada County. Foothills Healthy Babies is a community-based, intensive home visiting program, which serves over-burdened families of very young children. The family enters the program during the mother's pregnancy. A family support specialist makes regular structured visits and with the aid of a specially designed curriculum endeavors to enhance the parent-child bond and encourage healthy child development.

These services may continue throughout the baby's first three years, and frequency of visits decrease according to the demonstration of successful parenting skills by the parents. The program is modeled after the successful Hawaii Healthy Start Program and maintains the high standards set by Healthy Families America.

It is recommended that the Board approve this Contract Amendment to enable continued services to help prevent child abuse and neglect before it starts.

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