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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: July 12, 2022

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Rachel Peña

SUBJECT: Resolution approving renewal of a Memorandum of

Understanding (MOU) between the Health and Human Services Agency - Department of Social Services (DSS) and the Nevada County Superintendent of Schools for reimbursement of Title IV-E funds to coordinate educational support services for Nevada County foster youth in the maximum amount of \$132,447 for FY

2022/23.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the attached Resolution.

FUNDING: Services will be reimbursed with Title IV-E funds and were budgeted in the FY 2022/23 department budget. There are no County General funds required in this Agreement.

BACKGROUND:

This is a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Department of Social Services (DSS) and the Nevada County Superintendent of Schools (NCSOS). The Agreement ensures collaboration between DSS and NCSOS to provide educational opportunities, educational support, and information sharing for pupils in foster care in Nevada County through the Foster Youth Services Coordinating Program (FYSCP).

The FYSCP is responsible for ensuring that Local Educational Agencies (LEAs) within its jurisdiction are providing supportive educational services to foster youth with the purpose of securing positive educational outcomes. Support includes, but is not limited to, assisting with the transfer of health and school records, emancipation training for independent living, minimizing changes in school placements, and other related activities.

In 2015, AB 854 made several changes to FYSCP including a requirement to enter into MOUs with their Child Welfare Departments for the purpose of drawing down Title IV-E funds for eligible case management activities to support FYSCP. The intention of this MOU is to identify the specific and general responsibilities of DSS and NCSOS within the framework of Title IV-E of the Social Security Act for the coordination of educational services and information sharing for Nevada County foster youth.

It is recommended that the Board approve this Memorandum of Understanding to enhance educational opportunities, educational support, and information sharing for Nevada County foster youth through the FYSCP.

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