



# NEVADA COUNTY HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY

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## NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

### Board Agenda Memo

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**MEETING DATE:** August 9, 2022

**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 services related to the operation of the PARTNERS Family Resource Centers (FRCs) as a component of the County's CBCAP / PSSF/ CAPIT Plan in the maximum amount of \$65,823 for the contract term of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023.

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**RECOMMENDATION:** Approve the attached Resolution.

**FUNDING:** Contract services are funded through State/Federal monies for CBCAP (Community Based Child Abuse Prevention) / (PSSF) Promoting Safe and Stable Families / CAPIT (Child Abuse Prevention, Intervention and Treatment) Program funding. Services are included in the Department's FY 2022/23 budget and there are no county general fund dollars required in the Agreement.

**BACKGROUND:**

For many years, DSS has had great success in coordinating with local PARTNERS FRCs to provide health and human services to Nevada County families. The Nevada County Superintendent of Schools administers our local network of PARTNERS FRCs in the Western County region. Their programs provide critical community-based services to our County's most vulnerable populations in English and Spanish.

Under this Agreement, NCSOS will continue to provide an array of services to children and families to ensure access to resources and opportunities through the Contractor's operated PARTNERS FRCs. The FRCs provide services to address the unmet needs of families out of three easily accessible sites: Grass Valley, Penn Valley, and North San Juan. The FRCs are family-friendly spaces with quality toys, children's books and a video lending library with

sections on pregnancy, childbirth, parenting and wellness, a brochure rack and multiple public access computers with high-speed internet connection.

The FRC staff provides information and referrals to families for services such as counseling, parenting classes, healthcare and childcare on an as-needed basis. In addition to drop-in services, the FRCs periodically host playgroups and story time activities for young children and provide classes including an 8-week Nurturing Parent Program (NPP) parenting class for families and babysitting certification for young adults. The FRCs also collaborate with local organizations to provide free access to a community supported closet of clothing, gear and basic necessities for foster children and children in crisis.

Services are offered primarily at the FRCs, but may also be provided in schools, in the home, and in other locations as needed. The activities offered are flexible and will continually be responsive to emerging family and community issues.

It is recommended that the Board approve this Agreement which provides necessary services and supports to families to prevent child abuse and neglect.

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