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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: August 13, 2019

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Tex Ritter

SUBJECT: Resolution approving execution of a renewal contract with Common Goals, Inc. for the provision of drug testing and alcohol/drug treatment services for Child Welfare Services (CWS) in the maximum amount of \$60,000 for the term of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2021, not to exceed \$30,000 each fiscal year.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the attached Resolution.

FUNDING: These are mandated, non-optional services and are funded with Child Welfare Allocation funds, and as needed, department realignment funds. Services are within the department's FY 2019/20 budget and there are no county general fund dollars required in the Agreement.

BACKGROUND:

Under this Agreement, Common Goals performs a full range of professional drug treatment and drug testing services for referred CWS clients. Services include, but are not limited to: substance abuse assessments, outpatient drug treatment programs, therapeutic services related to substance abuse issues, an anger management program, PC 1000 (deferred entry of judgment), a batterers program, and full range of drug testing. These services are critical in healing family systems ravaged by addiction and the neglect, abuse, and child endangerment that often accompanies substance abuse.

Drug treatment services are offered as part of a court ordered and/or voluntary case plan designed to either keep children safely at home (Family Maintenance) or reunify children with their parents after being placed in foster care (Family Reunification). Family Maintenance and Family Reunification Services are mandated by Welfare and

Institutions Code 361.5 and are most often court ordered, mandatory services. In a small percentage of cases, CWS will offer these services voluntarily in order to prevent costly and disruptive foster care placements.

It is recommended that the Board approve this renewal agreement which will support the continuation of these vital drug treatment/testing services.

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