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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: November 17, 2020

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Michael Ertola

Probation Department

SUBJECT: Resolution approving an Agreement with El Dorado County Juvenile Treatment Center to house youth from Nevada County and authorizing the Chair of the Board to execute the Agreement.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the resolution.

<u>FUNDING</u>: Upon closure of the Youth Center, savings realized from the facility's closure will be utilized to cover the expense related to this Agreement. No additional general funds are required.

BACKGROUND: Due to a steady decline in the daily population in the Nevada County Youth Center, it was recommended to the Board of Supervisors that the Youth Center would close on or before June 30, 2021, no longer housing local youth who were found responsible by the Nevada County Courts to serve custody time for certain crimes. The Board of Supervisors approved Resolution No. 20-318 on July 14, 2020.

Statistical evidence shows El Dorado County Juvenile Hall practices similar evidence based rehabilitative programs as Nevada County. These programs have proven to be effective in reducing recidivism and negative behavioral incidents, which in part, led to the population decline. From a demographic standpoint, El Dorado County Juvenile Treatment Center, located in South Lake Tahoe, provides the least amount of burden for parent and attorney visits for Eastern County youth. Youth custody transfer and transportation protocols are in place.

Item Initiated by: Angelina Coffey, Administrative Services Officer

Approved by: Michael Ertola, Chief Probation Officer

Submittal Date: November 2, 2020