MONTEREY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

40 AGENDA NO: MEETING: July 27, 2010 - CONSENT SUBJECT: a) Approve and authorize the Director of the Department of Social & Employment Services, or his designee, to sign an agreement for \$775,926 with ACTION Council of Monterey County to provide project leadership and coordination for Differential Response aka: Pathways to Safety for the period July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011; and

b) Authorize the Director of the Department of Social & Employment Services, or his designee, to sign up to three (3) amendments to this agreement where the total amendments do not exceed 10% of the original contract amount, and do not significantly change the scope of work

DEPARTMENT: Social & Employment Services

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors:

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SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

This contract provides project leadership and coordination for Differential Response aka: Pathways to Safety. Differential Response is a different way of responding to the reports of abuse and neglect received by Monterey County Family and Children's Services (FCS). This strategic approach to evaluating and improving family and child well-being improves a community's ability to keep children safe. This is accomplished by responding earlier and more meaningfully to reports of abuse and neglect, before family difficulties escalate to the point of harm (What Works Policy Brief; Foundation Consortium for California's Children and Youth). Monterey County Family and Children's Services, in coordination with our System of Care partners, will be working with the ACTION Council to fully develop and support a network of prevention and early intervention.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

County Counsel, the Auditor-Controller and Purchasing have reviewed and approved this contract.

FINANCING:

Sufficient appropriations and estimated revenues are included in the FY 2010-11 Final Budget.

There is no impact to the County General Fund.

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