

MONTEREY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

¹⁴ MEETING: June 7, 2011 - CONSENT	AGENDA NO: 36
SUBJECT: a) Approve and authorize the Director of the Department of Social & Employment Services, or his designee, to sign an agreement with Hartnell College for \$362,305 to provide training and recruitment services to eligible caregivers and Monterey County local agency employees for the period July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012, including non-standard Mutual Indemnification (Exhibit H); 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 and Employment Services	

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors:

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- 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.

SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

The Department of Social and Employment Services (DSES), Family and Children's Services (FCS) Division, is the local child welfare agency. DSES contracts with Hartnell College to provide 1) training for current and prospective foster, relative and non-related extended family member caregivers, adoptive parents and local agency employees; and 2) support for foster home recruitment activities.

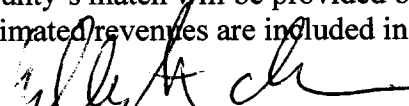
Hartnell College requests that the County's standard unilateral indemnification be replaced with mutual indemnity, based on each party's action or inaction under the agreement. It is the Department's position that this modification to the County's standard provision is necessary due to limited alternative resources for these services, the desire to preserve an ongoing positive relationship with the current provider, and the need for uninterrupted service. The new agreement contains the modified contractual language, and is being brought before your Board for approval.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

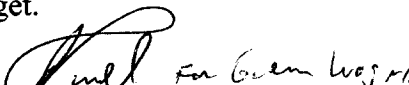
County Counsel, the Auditor-Controller, and Purchasing have reviewed and approved this contract.

FINANCING:

The recommended action will allow the Department of Social & Employment Services to provide a total of \$362,305 in Title IV-E federal and state allocations for foster care training and recruitment activities. The County's match will be provided by Hartnell College through in-kind services. Sufficient appropriations and estimated revenues are included in the Proposed FY 2011-12 Budget.



Elliott Robinson, Director
Department of Social & Employment Services
Date 5/20/11



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