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Board Report

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SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

As a result of the Affordable Care Act (ACA)/Health Care Reform (HCR), the Monterey County Department of Social Services (DSS) has experienced a 121% increase in Medi-Cal caseload. The pre-ACA caseload in September 2013 was 35,491 and has grown to 78,565 as of March 2019. DSS is facing a large number of Medi-Cal actions with current permanent staffing unable to meet the workload demand. Through this agreement, Solutions West, Inc. will provide temporary specialized staff to assist DSS in addressing this caseload.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

The Department has discussed this agreement with its SEIU Labor Management Committee and there is consensus that the additional short-term support it offers will be beneficial to the workforce and the community. The Auditor-Controller and Contract/Purchasing have reviewed and approved this agreement. County Counsel has approved the agreement as to form.

FINANCING:

This agreement is funded by the Medi-Cal allocation. Sufficient appropriations and estimated revenues for SOC005 are included in the FY 2019-20 Recommended Budget.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS STRATEGIC INITIATIVES:

This agreement correlates to the Administration and Health & Human Services Strategic Initiative adopted by the Board of Supervisors by allowing DSS to improve the health and quality of life of Medi-Cal recipients by increasing the Department's ability to meet the demands of the increased Medi-Cal caseload by utilizing a skilled temporary workforce.

Mark a check to the related Board of Supervisors Strategic Initiatives

Economic Development

Administration

Health & Human Services

Infrastructure

Public Safety

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Attachments: Solutions West Agreement

Proposed agreement is on file with the Clerk of the Board as an attachment to this Board Report