



approach resulted in some duplication of assessments, paperwork and potential delays to permanency for children and families. RFA prepares families to better meet the needs of vulnerable children in the foster care system and allows seamless transition to permanency. Monterey County began implementation on March 1, 2016.

Seneca is a full-service agency providing assessment, training and support to Resource Families and continues to provide services focused on retention efforts to ensure children remain in Monterey County. In 2018, Monterey County approved 82 resource family homes. Seneca assisted with these approvals by interviewing families, providing 1:1 training, and completing 43 family evaluations.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

The Auditor-Controller and Purchasing have reviewed and approved this agreement. County Counsel has approved the agreement as to form.

FINANCING:

This agreement is funded by Social Services Federal and State revenues. Sufficient appropriations and estimated revenues for SOC005 are included in the FY 2019-20 Recommended Budget. FY 2020-21 costs will be included in the corresponding budget request.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS STRATEGIC INITIATIVES:

This Agreement correlates to the Health & Human Services Strategic Initiative adopted by the Board of Supervisors by allowing the Department to improve the quality of life for foster children by expanding capacity for timely completion of Resource Family Approvals in partnership with Seneca Family of Agencies.

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: Seneca (RFA) Agreement

Original agreement is filed with Clerk of the Board as an attachment to this Board Report