

Board Report

File #: A 22-384, Version: 1

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<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors:

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SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

The purpose of this agreement is to provide Transitional Housing Placement-Plus (THP-Plus) Program services for former foster youth ages 18-24 and provide housing services to youth ages 18-25 in Monterey County. The goal of these programs is to reduce homelessness among transitional age youth in Monterey County. The THP-Plus Program provides subsidized housing and comprehensive supportive services to former foster and probation youth ages 18 to 24 for up to 24 months while they transition to independent living. The housing assistance program provides housing navigator services and direct financial housing supports to young adults ages 18-25 who are either homeless or at-risk of homelessness, with priority given to former foster or probation youth.

This agreement was awarded through a competitive RFP (#10822) process.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

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

FINANCING:

Funding is provided by Social Services Realignment revenues and Department of Housing and Community Development (Transitional Housing Program2 and Housing Navigational Program) funds. Sufficient appropriations and estimated revenues are included in Fund 001-5010-SOC001-8255 of the FY 2022-23 Adopted Budget. FY 2023-24 costs will be requested through the corresponding budget process.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS STRATEGIC INITIATIVES:

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Mark a check to the related Board of Supervisors Strategic Initiatives

This agreement correlates to the Health & Human Services Strategic Initiative adopted by the Board of Supervisors by providing housing and supportive services for high-need former foster youth.

Economic Development Administration X Health & Human Services Infrastructure Public Safety

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