



# Mendocino County

## Legislation Details (With Text)

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**File created:** 5/1/2020      **In control:** Health and Human Services Agency  
**On agenda:** 5/19/2020      **Final action:**  
**Title:** Approval of Retroactive Agreement with Redwood Community Services, Inc. in the Amount of \$121,080 to Provide Housing Navigation Services to CalWORKs Housing Support Customers in Mendocino County, Effective July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020  
**Sponsors:** Health and Human Services Agency  
**Indexes:**  
**Code sections:**  
**Attachments:** 1. Agreement 20-050

Date	Ver.	Action By	Action	Result
5/19/2020	1	Board of Supervisors	Approved and Chair is authorized to sign same;	Pass

**To:** Board of Supervisors

**From:** Health and Human Services Agency

**Meeting Date:** May 19, 2020

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**Item Type:** Consent Agenda

**Time Allocated for Item:** N/A

### Agenda Title:

Approval of Retroactive Agreement with Redwood Community Services, Inc. in the Amount of \$121,080 to Provide Housing Navigation Services to CalWORKs Housing Support Customers in Mendocino County, Effective July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020

### Recommended Action/Motion:

Approve retroactive Agreement with Redwood Community Services, Inc. in the amount of \$121,080 to provide Housing Navigation services to CalWORKs Housing Support customers in Mendocino County, Effective July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020; authorize the Health and Human Services Agency Director or designee to sign any future amendments that do not increase the annual maximum amount; and authorize Chair to sign same.

### Previous Board/Board Committee Actions:

N/A

### Summary of Request:

The California Department of Social Services (CDSS), CalWORKs Housing Support Program assists homeless CalWORKs families in quickly obtaining permanent housing, and provides wrap-around supports to families

to foster housing retention. This program has been administered in Mendocino County since 2015 with Housing Navigation services provided by internal staff with competing priorities. These competing priorities have led to limited supports available for individual case management and program improvements. Additionally, due to a large volume of program applicants, the County CalWORKS Program Specialist currently manages only homeless households that score high on the vulnerability index. CalWORKS refers low scoring homeless households to RCS's Building Bridges Homeless Resource Center for shelter services, including Housing Navigation services. RCS provided these services to referred households anticipating the County would fund services through various housing support sources, including CDSS.

In order to streamline the County's process and increase access to specialized services needed for Housing Navigation, the County submitted to CDSS an Amendment to the existing CalWORKS Housing Support Program annual plan. This amendment adds Housing Navigation services in order to increase access to rental properties for eligible households. On December 12, 2019, the County received confirmation from CDSS, accepting the addition of Housing Navigation services. As a result, there is additional funding available for both high and low scoring families for the Housing Support Program.

Mendocino County's Housing Support Program plans to contract with RCS for Housing Navigation services for Fiscal Year (FY) 2020-21, and funding for these services is dependent upon utilization of current funds. Furthermore, Mendocino County accepted the increase in funding for Housing Navigation services with the understanding that funds would be utilized in FY 2019-20. As a result, the proposed contract will reimburse RCS for Housing Navigation services already provided to lower scoring families at the Building Bridges Center from July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020, necessitating a retroactive start date.

**Alternative Action/Motion:**

Return to staff for alternate handling

**Supervisory District:** All

**vote requirement:** Majority

**Supplemental Information Available Online At:** N/A

**Fiscal Details:**

**source of funding:** CalWORKS Housing Support Program Administration Allocation

**current f/y cost:** \$121,080

**annual recurring cost:** \$121,080

**budget clarification:**

**budgeted in current f/y:** Yes

**if no, please describe:**

**revenue agreement:** No

**Agreement/Resolution/Ordinance Approved by County Counsel:** Yes

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**CEO Liaison:** Darcie Antle, Deputy CEO

**CEO Review:** Yes

**CEO Comments:**

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Executed By: Lindsey Dunham, Deputy Clerk I

Date: May 20, 2020

Final Status: **Approved**

Executed Item: **Agreement** Number: 20-050

**Note to Department** Number of Original Agreements  
Returned to Dept: 0 Original Agreement Delivered to  
Auditor? No

