



# Mendocino County

## Legislation Text

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**File #:** 19-0600, **Version:** 1

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**To:** Board of Supervisors

**From:** Health and Human Services Agency

**Meeting Date:** July 9, 2019

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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 \$610,320 to Provide Immediate Placement Services for Foster Children, Placed by the Health and Human Services Agency, Family and Children's Services in Effective July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020

**Recommended Action/Motion:**

Approve retroactive Agreement with Redwood Community Services, Inc. in the amount of \$610,320 to provide immediate placement services for foster children, placed by the Health and Human Services Agency, Family and Children's Services 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:**

Redwood Community Services: Ongoing since 2005, last action on June 19, 2018, BOS Agreement No. 18-082.

**Summary of Request:**

In Mendocino County, the placement and care of children who have been removed from the custody of their parents or guardians under Welfare and Institutions Code Section 300 is the responsibility of the Mendocino County Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA), Family and Children's Services (FCS). As part of meeting this requirement, FCS contracts with Redwood Community Services, Inc. (RCS) for the provision of emergency foster home placement services to high needs youth in Mendocino County.

RCS is a State licensed Foster Family Agency, and will provide six retained beds in the Mendocino County Children's Center, a Group Home/Short Term Residential Therapeutic Program. Retained beds are to be used by FCS for immediate placement of youth ages seven to seventeen who present with significant behavioral challenges that prevent placement in a home-based setting. RCS will staff Emergency Support, as part of the emergency support team, to take care of the immediate needs of detained children. Having these youth placed at the Children's Center allows County social workers to continue investigative duties and assessments of relatives or other non-related extended family members for potential placements. This agreement also provides stipends to RCS foster homes willing to be on-call 24/7 to receive emergency placements of children and youth in home-based care.

Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA) submitted this Agreement and a second Agreement for approval by the Board of Supervisors on June 18, 2019. The June 18<sup>th</sup> agenda item was rejected because the Agreements could not be combined onto one agenda item. This process necessitated a retroactive start date.

**Alternative Action/Motion:**

Please return to staff for alternative handling.

**Supervisory District:** All

**vote requirement:** Majority

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

**Fiscal Details:**

<b>source of funding:</b> Federal, State Realignment, Other	<b>budgeted in current f/y:</b> Yes
<b>current f/y cost:</b> \$610,320	<b>if no, please describe:</b>
<b>annual recurring cost:</b> \$610,320	<b>revenue agreement:</b> No

**budget clarification:**

**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:** July 10, 2019

**Final Status:** **Approved**

**Executed Item Number:** **Agreement** Number: 19-178

**Note to Department** Number of Original Agreements  
Returned to Dept: 3 Original Agreement Delivered to Auditor?  
Yes

