



Mendocino County

Legislation Text

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To: Board of Supervisors

From: Health and Human Services Agency

Meeting Date: June 22, 2021

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Item Type: Consent Agenda

Time Allocated for Item: N/A

Agenda Title:

Approval of Agreement with Deaf Counseling Advocacy and Referral in the Amount of \$275,000 for Sign Language Interpretation Services for Health and Human Services Agency Family and Children's Services, Effective July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022

Recommended Action/Motion:

Approve Agreement with Deaf Counseling Advocacy and Referral in the amount of \$275,000 for sign language interpretation services for Health and Human Services Agency Family and Children's Services, effective July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022; authorize Health and Human Services Agency Assistant Director/Social Services Director to sign future amendments to the Agreement that do not increase the annual maximum amount; and authorize Chair to sign same.

Previous Board/Board Committee Actions:

Ongoing Agreement. Most recent action on July 14, 2020, Item 4 (p), BOS Amendment No. 20-105.

Summary of Request:

The Health and Human Services Agency, Social Services Branch, is required per Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and California Department of Social Services Division 21 regulations to provide language interpretation to all clients who receive services through Social Services. Deaf Counseling Advocacy and Referral, located in Santa Rosa, California, is geographically the closest provider of sign language interpretation services for Mendocino County. As a result, Deaf Counseling Advocacy and Referral is more affordable than other providers due to travel costs associated with this service. Deaf Counseling Advocacy and Referral has provided American Sign Language (ASL) services to Mendocino County Social Services clients and will continue those services through this contract. These services are very specific, for a limited population, and will be provided by ASL interpreters through in-person home/field visits and virtual client meetings.

Alternative Action/Motion:

Return staff for alternative handling.

Supervisory District: All

vote requirement: Majority

Supplemental Information Available Online At: N/A

Fiscal Details:

source of funding: Federal, State, Realignment

current f/y cost: \$275,000

annual recurring cost: \$275,000

budget clarification: N/A

budgeted in current f/y: Yes

if no, please describe:

revenue agreement: No

Agreement/Resolution/Ordinance Approved by County Counsel: Yes

CEO Liaison: Darcie Antle, Deputy CEO

CEO Review: Yes

CEO Comments:

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Executed By: Atlas Pearson, Deputy Clerk I

Date: June 24, 2021

Final Status: **Approved**

Executed Item Type: Agreement **Number:** 21-127

Note to Department Number of Original Agreements

Returned to Dept: 0 Original Agreement Delivered to Auditor?

No

