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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Shelli Brobst for Randolph F. Snowden - Director
Health & Human Services
REPORT BY: Shelli Brobst, Contracts Analyst - 253-4720
SUBJECT: Agreement with Walden University (Interns)

RECOMMENDATION

Director of Health and Human Services requests approval of and authorization for the Chair to sign an agreement with Walden University, LLC, a subsidiary of Laureate Education, Inc., for the term June 8, 2010 through June 30, 2011 for the placement of students as interns for field work to be performed at the Health and Human Services Agency, at no cost to the County.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Approval of the recommended agreement will allow students from Walden University to be placed as interns within the Napa County Health and Human Services Agency (HHS) for completion of their required field work as interns. Each intern's field work will consist of exposure to, and eventually the provision of, services while under the supervision of HHS staff.

FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact? No

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The proposed action is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines) and therefore CEQA is not applicable.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

Napa County HHSA will offer educational internship opportunities to graduate level students from Walden University. Interns will be placed in sites throughout the Agency under the supervision of a unit supervisor and other professional Agency staff. Through the placements, interns will learn about specific HHSA program operations and eventually may provide supervised services to clients.

Approval of the recommended agreement will enable one graduate student to commence an internship. Initially, this contract will allow for an interdepartmental internship for a Napa County Environmental Management Department employee. Arrangements will be made for the employee to meet educational internship requirements while maintaining Napa County employment.

There is no cost to the County for the placement of interns. Walden University provides insurance coverage for interns and their work for the County. Staff views the provision of the internships as prospective recruitment opportunities for interns who successfully completes field placement and university studies.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

None

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Karen Collins