



A Tradition of Stewardship
A Commitment to Service

Agenda Date: 2/11/2020

Agenda Placement: 6H

NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Shelli Brobst for Jennifer Yasumoto - Director
Health & Human Services Administration
REPORT BY: JoAnn Melgar, Staff Services Analyst II - 707-253-4722
SUBJECT: Agreement with Alternatives for Better Living, Inc.

RECOMMENDATION

Director of Health and Human Services requests approval of and authorization for the Chair to sign an Agreement with Alternatives for Better Living, Inc. for an annual maximum of \$12,000 for the term February 11, 2020 through June 30, 2024 to provide court ordered drug testing of clients referred by Child Welfare Services.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of today's requested action is to approve a new Agreement with Alternatives for Better Living, Inc. ("Contractor") to provide mandated Court-ordered drug testing services.

The annual maximum of this Agreement is \$12,000 for the term February 11, 2020 through June 30, 2024.

Contractor is a local vendor.

FISCAL & STRATEGIC PLAN IMPACT

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| Is there a Fiscal Impact? | Yes |
| Is it currently budgeted? | Yes |
| Where is it budgeted? | Health & Human Services Child Welfare Services |
| Is it Mandatory or Discretionary? | Mandatory |
| Is the general fund affected? | No |

Future fiscal impact: Although the agreement terminates June 30, 2020, it contains a provision for automatic annual renewal, which enables the County to continue these services into the next fiscal year.

Consequences if not approved: If this agreement is not approved, the contractor will be unable to provide court mandated drug testing services and CWS risks being out of compliance with court orders.

County Strategic Plan pillar addressed: Healthy, Safe, and Welcoming Place to Live, Work, and Visit

Additional Information:

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

Parents of children, and occasionally youth, in the child welfare system are randomly ordered by the Juvenile Dependency Court to be tested for drugs. Under this Agreement, Alternatives For Better Living, Inc. will provide the mandated court ordered drug testing services. These services will include Observed Urinary Drug Screens. Contractor's staff will observe the collection of urine, maintain chain-of-custody and send specimens to the laboratory using materials provided by County staff.

Currently, there are very few male social workers on staff and only a limited time frame is available each week for testing male clients. In order to best meet the testing needs of Child Welfare Service's clients, staff recommends approval of this Agreement, which applies to both male and female clients.

Alternatives for Better Living is a local vendor.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

None

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Ben Guerrieri