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## NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Mary Butler - Chief Probation Officer  
Probation

**REPORT BY:** Ferlyn Buenafe, Staff Services Manager - 707.253.4126

**SUBJECT:** Agreement with Aldea Children and Family Services-Amendment No. 4

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### **RECOMMENDATION**

Chief Probation Officer requests approval of and authorization for the Chair to sign Amendment No. 4 to Agreement No. 170007B with Aldea Children and Family Services, reducing the contract maximum by \$204,771, with a new contract maximum of \$1,580,277 for the term July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020.

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Aldea provides an array of services to at-risk youth and minors on probation and therapeutic and support services. These services include mental health counseling to youth referred to the Juvenile Evening Reporting Center, counseling and intervention services to high-risk juvenile wards attending Chamberlain High School, assisting with the provision of Aggression Replacement Training groups in the community, and the Taboo Tattoo program to remove stigmatizing tattoos of gang related identity from youth and adult probationers.

Aldea is a local vendor.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

Is there a Fiscal Impact?	Yes
Is it currently budgeted?	Yes
Where is it budgeted?	Probation
Is it Mandatory or Discretionary?	Discretionary

Discretionary Justification: This action is discretionary in that there is no mandate to have this specific agreement. However, the County receives majority funding for this Agreement through the Youthful Offender Block Grant (YOBG), Juvenile Probation Funding (JPF), the Juvenile Justice Crime Prevention Act (JJCPA) and is under contract with the Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC) to provide an array of services to support a broad spectrum of probation services targeting at-risk youth, juvenile offenders, and their families. The costs related to the Taboo Tattoo program will be paid from 2011 Realignment.

Is the general fund affected? Yes

Future fiscal impact: Appropriations have been budgeted for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Recommended Budget. The contract maximum for this amended Agreement is \$1,580,277 from July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2020 as shown below:

- | FY 16/17 - \$380,760
- | FY 17/18 - \$427,520
- | FY 18/19 - \$488,384
- | FY 19/20 - \$283,613

Consequences if not approved: This Agreement provides needed services to minors who have been detained in the Juvenile Hall or are on Probation. If this agreement is not approved, necessary mental health counseling services treatment services will not be provided. Minors will be at risk for more restrictive and costly placements.

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**

This Amendment reduces services related to alcohol and drug treatment services and continues to provide services to youth on probation, minors who are at-risk, and services to remove stigmatizing tattoos of gang identity from the youth and adult probationers and community individuals. Beginning Fiscal Year 2019-2020, alcohol and drug treatment services will be provided by a Medi-Cal contract with the Health and Human Services Agency (HHS). Probation will reimburse HHS through State funding.

The Agreement contains the following services:

Aldea provides for 1.00 FTE Mental Health Counselor to work with high risk juvenile wards at the Juvenile Evening Reporting Center (ERC). The ERC is also staffed by a Probation Officer. All staff facilitate groups and activities to youth referred to the ERC. The ERC is open on weekday evenings from 3:00-6:30 pm Monday through Thursday and provides supervision and programs for juvenile offenders in a highly structured and well-

supervised setting during after school hours that seem to be the high risk time for juvenile crime. On Friday, it is social night staffed by Aldea and the program is held at the Wolfe Center. It is estimated that 50 youth will receive services in Fiscal Year 2019-2020. Funding for this portion of the agreement is provided utilizing funds from the Youth Offender Block Grant (YOBG) and Juvenile Probation Funding (JPF).

A 1.0 FTE Therapist and .10 FTE Prevention Specialist to work with high risk juvenile wards attending Chamberlain High School and youth placed in the Juvenile Hall. The purpose of the therapy is to prevent more restrictive placements of the wards served. The Therapist provides services during the school year and continues services to the wards and their families during the summer months. Aggression Replacement Therapy provided by Aldea is an evidence-based program shown to be effective in working with adolescents on probation with anger management issues. This program serves approximately 35 youth on probation and is considered a best practice in changing the way youth behave. Funding for this portion of the agreement is provided utilizing funds from JPF.

Training provided to ERC staff related to Cognitive Behavior Change addressing the importance of understanding individual learning styles, and using activities, games and small groups to enhance the learning process. Funding for this portion of the Agreement is provided by 2011 Realignment.

Lastly, Taboo Tattoo removal services for youth and adult probationers. Tattoos are removed through a laser process in visible areas only; i.e., face, neck, hands, wrists and forearms by volunteer Board Certified Plastic Surgeons. Removal of the tattoos is anticipated to enhance self-esteem and offer a new start in life. Funding for this portion of the Agreement is provided by 2011 Realignment.

JPF and Juvenile Justice Crime Prevention Act (JJCPA) funds are part of the Local Law Enforcement Services Account. Under the realignment plan, funding for various local safety grant programs such as JPF and JJCPA are shifted directly to local governments to be used for the same purposes as specified in local statutes. JPF and JJCPA provides services to youth who are either in juvenile hall, on juvenile probation or who are at risk of being in the juvenile justice system.

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### **SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS**

None

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Susan Kuss