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# NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS **Board Agenda Letter**

**TO:** Board of Supervisors

FROM: Nikki Lundeen for Allison Haley - District Attorney

District Attorney

**REPORT BY:** Nikki Lundeen, Staff Services Manager - 253-4215

SUBJECT: Approval of Agreement with Aldea Children and Family Services for Monarch Resource

Community Services

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

District Attorney requests approval of and authorization for the Chair to sign an agreement with Aldea Children and Family Services for provision of space, staffing and operations of the County's Monarch Resource Community, with maximum compensation in the amount of \$172,000, for the term June 1, 2019 through December 31, 2020, with three automatic one-year renewals, funded by an emerging Family Justice Center grant program administered by the California Office of Emergency Services.

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The District Attorney's Office applied for and received a competitive grant award from the California Office of Emergency Services to fund an emerging Family Justice Center Program. Approval of the agreement will allow Aldea Children and Family Services to provide for space, staffing and day-to-day operational needs of the "Monarch Resource Community", a multidisciplinary Family Justice Center model that will be aimed at reducing the trauma to victims of crimes, such as sexual assault, domestic violence, elder abuse, and human trafficking. The initial term of the agreement will be for nineteen months, with a maximum compensation of \$172,000. The agreement includes a provision for automatic renewal to coincide with future annual grant term dates, with an annual maximum compensation amount of \$86,000. The agreement is fully grant funded, with no impact to the County General Fund.

# **FISCAL IMPACT**

Is there a Fiscal Impact?

Yes

Is it currently budgeted? Yes

Where is it budgeted? District Attorney
Is it Mandatory or Discretionary? Discretionary

Discretionary Justification: This item is discretionary in that there is no mandate to enter into an

agreement for operation of the County's "Monarch Resource Community", an

emerging Family Justice Center that serves crime survivors in a

multidisciplinary person-centered setting. The County received a competitive grant from the California Office of Emergency Services to provide enhanced victim services in an emerging Family Justice Center model and Aldea Children and Family Services has the necessary expertise and capacity

to successfully work with local multidisciplinary partners to meet the goals and objectives of the program. The agreement will be fully funded with grant revenues, with no impact to the County General Fund. Fiscal Year 2018-2019

expenses incurred for the agreement can be accommodated with savings in the District Attorney's current year budget appropriations.

Is the general fund affected? No

Future fiscal impact: Revenue and appropriations are included in the recommended budget for

Fiscal Year 2019-2020.

Consequences if not approved: If the requested action is not approved, Aldea Children and Family Services

will not be able to provide for the space, staffing and operational needs of the emerging Family Justice Center model and the County would need to identify an alternate source for meeting the goals and objectives of the grant project,

aimed at better serving victims of crime in the County.

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**

For several years, a collaborative effort has been underway between the District Attorney, local community-based service provider organizations, law enforcement, adult protective services, and the Health and Human Services Agency to develop a model for a Family Justice Center that would best serve vulnerable victims of crime in Napa County. The District Attorney took the lead on behalf of this collaborative local effort to apply for, and was awarded, a competitive grant project with the California Office of Emergency Services (Cal-OES) to provide funding for an emerging Family Justice Center in Napa County, which provides \$400,000 over a two year period. Grant funds will be used to support a centralized location where victims of domestic violence, elder and dependent adult abuse, sexual assault, and human trafficking can be better served by a team of multidisciplinary partners representing law enforcement, victim advocates, forensic interviewers, prosecutors, government and non-profit service providers.

Since being awarded earlier this year, the District Attorney has been working together with community partners to develop a vision and plan for offering services through the newly named "Monarch Resource Community," an emerging Family Justice Center model that is best suited for Napa County. One of the key objectives of the local

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partners is to utilize existing resources and to provide a variety of person-centered victim services under one roof, whenever possible to minimize the challenges and trauma for survivors. As such, space has been identified for the Monarch Resource Community in a portion of Aldea Children and Family Services' building on First Street in downtown Napa, adjacent to the County's Courage Center Program, a nationally accredited Child Advocacy Center serving child victims of crime and their family members. Aldea has also been identified to provide initial staffing and operational needs for the emerging Monarch Resource Community program.

Today's recommended action will allow the Chair to sign a new agreement with Aldea Children and Family Services for space, staffing and operational needs of the Monarch Resource Community with funding provided by the Cal-OES emerging Family Justice Center Program grant award in the amount of \$172,000 through December 31, 2020. The agreement includes an annual renewal provision to coincide with the grant award term dates with an annual maximum compensation amount of \$86,000 contingent upon continued funding being made available for the program in future years.

## SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

None

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Susan Kuss