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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Mary Butler - Chief Probation Officer

Probation

REPORT BY: Lynn Perez, Staff Services Manager, 253-4126

SUBJECT: Agreement with ALDEA Children and Family Services

RECOMMENDATION

Chief Probation Officer requests approval of and authorization for the Chair to sign the renewal of Agreement No. 4776 with ALDEA Children and Family Services for a maximum of \$112,500 for the term July 12, 2005 through June 30, 2006 for therapeutic services for minors under the supervision of the Napa County Probation Department.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Under this agreement, Aldea provides three service components on behalf of the Napa County Probation Department. A Master's level therapist to counsel and provide intervention services to high-risk juvenile court wards attending Chamberlain High School and other alternative school settings, mental health treatment services through its Nuestra Esperanza program and drug and alcohol services through the Wolfe Center.

FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact? Yes

Is it currently budgeted? Yes

Where is it budgeted? Probation

Is it Mandatory or Discretionary? Discretionary

Costs for services under this agreement are included in the Probation Departments recommended budget. Funding for these services is provided

through the Title IV-E/TANF Trust Fund.

Is the general fund affected?

Discretionary Justification:

Future fiscal impact: The agreement is renewed annually.

Consequences if not approved: Minors will be at risk more restrictive and costly placements.

Additional Information:

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

There is no Environmental Impact for this item.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

Aldea provides a Master's level therapist as part of the on-going team at Chamberlain and other alternative school settings. The objective of these services is to prevent more restrictive placement of these wards. At Chamberlain High School, the therapist provides services during the school year and continues services to the wards and their families during the summer months. This years contract also includes ten hours a week of therapeutic services to wards at other alternative schools including Valley Oak High School. It is now summer and the minors are out of school. Generally, the therapist will try to begin contact with the minors prior to the start of the school year. Services will start after July 12, 2005

This agreement also provides mental health treatment consisting of individual and family psychotherapy, substance abuse groups and anger management groups through its Nuestra Esperanza program. Contractor will provide services to approximately 7-8 youth on a weekly basis referred by Deputy Probation Officers. Services will begin on July 12, 2005.

The Wolfe Center is a substance abuse treatment program for youth in the community. The program includes a school, although not all youth in the program will be part of the school. The program is open to youth ages 12-18. Under this agreement, the Wolfe Center will provide intervention and treatment services to high-risk juvenile court wards who have been ordered by the court or referred by Probation to attend the program. Services include assessment, group and family treatment. The Wolfe center will also provide youth with the opportunity to engage in drug free activities. These activities may include field trips or outings, in house programs such as a culinary program or music program. The activities are used as part of treatment to teach youth how to engage with other youth in clean and sober activities. There are currently twelve juvenile court wards who have been referred to the program. Services will begin on July 12, 2005

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

None

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Helene Franchi