



COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

For the meeting of: 5/14/2019

File #: 19-590

To: Board of Supervisors

From: DHHS: Mental Health

Agenda Section: Consent

SUBJECT:

Professional Services Agreement with California Youth Connection Regarding the Provision of Consultation and Technical Support Services Pertaining to Implementation of the Humboldt County Transition Age Youth Collaboration Project

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve, and authorize the Chair of the Board to execute, the attached professional services agreement with California Youth Connection regarding the provision of consultation and technical support services pertaining to implementation of the Humboldt County Transition Age Youth Collaboration Project for the period of July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020; and
2. Direct the Clerk of the Board to return a fully executed copy of the attached professional services agreement to the Department of Health and Human Services - Contract Unit for further processing.

SOURCE OF FUNDING:

Mental Health Fund

DISCUSSION:

Since the inception of the Humboldt County Transition Age Youth Collaboration (HCTAYC) Project 9 years ago, California Youth Connection (CYC) and its Y.O.U.T.H. Training Project (YTP) have been important community partners for the Humboldt County Department of Health and Human Services' (DHHS) efforts to support transition age youth, including foster youth. CYC has partnered with DHHS in coordination, development, training and consultation regarding the services provided to transition aged and foster youth in Humboldt County and the State of California. CYC and YTP's collaboration with DHHS through HCTAYC has increased the number of youth engaged in the policy improvement process, reaching foster and former foster youth, homeless youth, youth with mental health needs, youth in juvenile justice settings and other youth in Humboldt County. Youth-informed policies and programs lead to better outcomes for youth as they transition into successful adulthood, such as improved housing stability, completion of high school or the equivalent thereof, obtaining employment and physical and mental health maintenance. Such outcomes for youth lead to more cost effective systems over time.

The attached professional services agreement with CYC will continue to facilitate the collaboration between DHHS, local transition aged youth, CYC and YTP in supporting specific HCTAYC activities that impact policy and program development both locally and at a statewide level. This ongoing relationship also provides linkage to state conferences and policy forums that effect youth.

The technical assistance coaching regarding the development and implementation of local policy issues, education and outreach campaigns focused on improving the experience of being a transition aged and/or foster youth in Humboldt County will also continue. The partnership between CYC, YTP and HCTAYC will continue to provide enhanced youth leadership, advocacy skills, youth empowerment and policy development.

Therefore, staff recommends that the Board approve, and authorize the Chair of the Board to execute the attached professional services agreement with CYC regarding the provision of consultation and technical support services pertaining to implementation of the Humboldt County Transition Age Youth Collaboration Project for fiscal year 2019-2020.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The attached professional services agreement with CYC has a maximum amount payable of \$70,035 for the period beginning July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020. However, if local, state or federal funding is reduced or eliminated, the County of Humboldt may reduce the above-referenced maximum amount payable or terminate the attached professional services agreement in its entirety.

Expenditure appropriations related to the attached professional services agreement with CYC will be included in proposed fiscal year 2019-2020 budget for DHHS - Mental Health Transition Age Youth budget unit 1170-477. Funding for the attached professional services agreement is available through Mental Health Services Act Prevention and Early Intervention revenues received by DHHS. As a result, approval of the attached professional services agreement with CYC will not impact the Humboldt County General Fund.

STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK:

The recommended actions support the Board of Supervisors' Strategic Framework by protecting vulnerable populations, creating opportunities for improved safety and health and facilitating public/private partnerships to solve problems.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

None.

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Board could choose not to approve the attached professional services agreement with CYC regarding the provision of consultation and technical support services pertaining to implementation of the Humboldt County Transition Age Youth Collaboration Project. However, this alternative is not recommended since DHHS does not have qualified staff to perform the services that will be provided thereunder.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Professional Services Agreement with California Youth Connection Regarding the Provision of Consultation and Technical Support Services Pertaining to Implementation of the Humboldt County Transition Age Youth Collaboration Project for Fiscal Year 2019-2020

PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:

Board Order No.: G-2, C-6, C-8, C-8, C-6, C-18, C-16, C-32, C-9, C-20, C-12

Meeting of: 03/24/09, 01/26/10, 01/04/11, 12/13/11, 09/18/12, 02/26/13, 07/01/14, 06/23/15, 08/16/16, 08/15/17, 07/10/18

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