



COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

For the meeting of: 8/23/2022

File #: 22-921

To: Board of Supervisors

From: DHHS: Social Services

Agenda Section: Consent

SUBJECT:

Request for Proposals Number DHHS2022-03 Regarding Child Protection Reporting Guide (CPRG) Implementation

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve and authorize the Department of Health and Human Services' Director to advertise and distribute the attached request for proposals regarding implementation of the CPRG on behalf of Child Welfare Services (DHHS - CWS).

SOURCE OF FUNDING:

Social Services Fund

DISCUSSION:

Humboldt County DHHS - CWS has contracted with a non-profit corporation (the "County Contractor", currently Evident Change) for the development of a web-based Childs Protection Reporting Guide (CPRG). The CPRG is intended to serve as a web-based guide that community members and professionals can use in determining whether concerns they may have about a child should be reported to Child Welfare Services. The intended goals of the web-based CPRG are to:

- Assist reporters as they gain familiarity with child abuse and neglect reporting threshold.
- Help ensure that children and families requiring a child protection response are promptly reported.
- Provide links to information about alternative options for reporters to assist children and families who do not meet the statutory child protection reporting thresholds.

In order to ensure long-term viability of the project, the County is seeking a qualified agency to facilitate initial implementation and ongoing management of the CPRG, which includes outreach and education about the CPRG to mandated reporters and the community at large, development and deployment of informational and training resources, and on-going training on the CPRG. The department will return to the Board of Supervisors seeking approval to award a professional services agreement to the qualified agency once one has been selected.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

There is no financial commitment until the Board approves a professional services agreement with the qualified agency.

STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK:

This action supports your Board's Strategic Framework by creating opportunities for improved safety and health outcomes for vulnerable populations.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

N/A

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Board could choose not to approve the attached RFP regarding CPRG implementation, however, this alternative is not recommended since these services are needed to ensure long-term viability of the project.

ATTACHMENTS:

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PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:

Board Order No.: N/A

Meeting of: N/A

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