



COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

For the meeting of: 6/16/2026

File #: 26-483

To: Board of Supervisors

From: DHHS: Social Services

Agenda Section: Consent

Vote Requirement: Majority

SUBJECT:

Professional Services Agreement with Changing Tides Family Services Regarding the Provision of Administrative and Transitional Support Services Related to Stage One Childcare Services Provided to Families Participating in the California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids Program in an Amount Not to Exceed \$4,514,620 for the Period of July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2028

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve, and authorize the Chair of the Board to execute, the attached professional services agreement with Changing Tides Family Services regarding the provision of administrative and transitional support services related to Stage One Child Care services provided to families participating in the California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKS) Program in an amount not to exceed \$4,514,620 for the period of July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2028; and
2. Authorize the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)- Social Services Director, or a designee thereof, to execute any and all subsequent amendments to the attached professional services agreement with Changing Tides Family Services, after review and approval by County Counsel, Risk Management and the County Administrative Office; and
3. Direct the Clerk of the Board to return one (1) fully executed electronic copy of the attached professional services agreement with Changing Tides Family Services to the DHHS - Contract Unit for further processing.

STRATEGIC PLAN:

This action supports the following areas of your Board's Strategic Plan.

Area of Focus: Core Services/Other

Strategic Plan Category: 9999 - Core Services/Other

DISCUSSION:

Under the CalWORKs Program, the State of California has instructed all counties to create and implement a "County Plan" to provide all applicants for, and recipients of, cash aid with the opportunity to obtain employment by offering a full range of employment training and supportive services that are consistent with the needs of participants and allow for informed choices in order to meet their employment goals.

The County of Humboldt's CalWORKs Plan was approved by the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors (Board) on Dec. 16, 1997 (Item G-1). A portion of this plan includes the administration of childcare services for all clients referred by the Humboldt County DHHS - Social Services who are determined eligible for cash aid through the CalWORKs Program.

Changing Tides Family Services has provided the management of Stage One Child Care services under the CalWORKs Program since its implementation in 1997. The attached professional services agreement will allow Changing Tides Family Services to continue

providing administrative and transitional support services related to Stage One Child Care services provided to families participating in the CalWORKs Program for the period of July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2028.

Accordingly, DHHS-Social Services recommends that the Board approve, and authorize the Chair of the Board to execute, the attached professional services agreement with Changing Tides Family Services regarding the provision of administrative services and transitional support services related to Stage One Child Care services provided to families participating in the CalWORKs Program for the period of July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2028. It is also recommended that the Board authorize the DHHS - Social Services Director, or a designee thereof, to execute any and all subsequent amendments to the attached professional services agreement with Changing Tides Family Services, after review and approval by County Counsel, Risk Management and the County Administrative Office, in order to avoid any unnecessary delays in the provision of needed child care services.

SOURCE OF FUNDING:

Social Services Fund (1160-511)

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

<i>Expenditures (1160511)</i>	FY26-27 Projected*	FY27-28 Projected*
Budgeted Expenses	<u>\$2,257,310</u>	<u>\$2,257,310</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>\$2,257,310</u>	<u>\$2,257,310</u>

**Projected amounts are estimates and are subject to change.*

<i>Funding Sources (1160511)</i>	FY26-27 Projected*	FY27-28 Projected*
State/Federal Funds	<u>\$2,257,310</u>	<u>\$2,257,310</u>
Total Funding Sources	<u>\$2,257,310</u>	<u>\$2,257,310</u>

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Narrative Explanation of Financial Impact:

The attached professional services agreement with Changing Tides Family Services has a maximum amount payable of \$4,514,620 for the period of July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2028. In no event shall the maximum amount paid under the attached professional services agreement with Changing Tides Family Services exceed \$2,257,310 per fiscal year (FY) for FYs 2026-27 and 2027-28. However, in the event 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 with Changing Tides Family Services in its entirety.

Expenditure appropriations related to the attached professional services agreement with Changing Tides Family Services have been included in the proposed FY 2026-27 budget for DHHS - Social Services budget unit 1160-511. Funding for the attached professional services agreement with Changing Tides Family Services is available through CalWORKs Program revenues received by DHHS - Social Services.

STAFFING IMPACT:

Approval of the attached professional services agreement with Changing Tides Family Services will not impact current staffing levels.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

None

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Board may choose not to approve the attached professional services agreement with Changing Tides Family Services regarding the provision of administrative and transitional support services related to Stage One Child Care services provided to families participating in the CalWORKs Program. However, this alternative is not recommended since it will not allow for the efficient provision of childcare services to CalWORKs recipients and would cause a barrier to the receipt of CalWORKs Program activities.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Professional Services Agreement with Changing Tides Family Services Regarding the Provision of Administrative and Transitional Support Services Related to Stage One Child Care Services Provided to Families Participating in the California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids Program

PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:

Meeting of: 06/11/19; 6/23/2020; 6/29/2021; 6/11/2024

File No.: 19-699; 20-736; 21-799; 24-931