

Inter-Departmental Correspondence

Board of Supervisors

DATE: April 29, 2003

BOARD MEETING DATE: May 13, 2003

TO:

Honorable Board of Supervisors

FROM:

Supervisor Jerry Hill

SUBJECT:

Local TANF Planning Council

Recommendation

Adopt a resolution specifying the responsibilities and revising the membership of the Local TANF Planning Council, and setting forth rules for its governance.

Background

In October, 2000, this board created the Local TANF Planning Council, whose purpose is to advise the Chief Probation Officer in the development of the proposed expenditure plan for state and federal funds for delinquency prevention services. The membership of the council is set forth in the Welfare & Institutions Code.

Discussion

State law provides that the Local TANF Planning Council should include "one or more youths who are at risk or have been adjudicated under Section 601 or 602." When the council was created, the membership included seventeen members, one of whom was a minor who was the recipient of delinquency prevention services under WIC §§601 or 602. Although it was initially anticipated that this position would be difficult to fill, we have recently been fortunate enough to have two youth apply for membership on the Council. The proposed resolution would allow the membership of a second youth member of the Council.

When the original resolution was adopted, the maximum service for appointed members of the TANF Planning Council was nine years. This resolution would also increase the maximum service of the appointed members to twelve years, consistent with recent board practices.

Vision Alignment

The resolution is consistent with the commitment to realizing the potential of our diverse population, and will increase civic engagement, including volunteerism in public discussions of important issues.

Fiscal Impact

There is no fiscal impact.