

Human Services Agency

DATE: November 23, 2005

BOARD MEETING DATE: December 6, 2005

SPECIAL NOTICE/HEARING: None VOTE REQUIRED: Majority

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors

FROM: Glen H. Brooks Jr., Interim Director, Human Services Agency

Mark Lane, Director, Children and Family Services

SUBJECT: Amendment to the Agreement with Youth and Family Enrichment Services for

the Sequoia Teen Resource Center

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a Resolution authorizing execution of an Amendment to the Agreement with Youth and Family Enrichment Services for the Sequoia Teen Resource Center (YFESSTRC) for reimbursement to the County, partial payment of salaries and benefits for staff outposted at the Resource Center in the aggregate amount of \$66,100 for Fiscal Years 2005-07 and extension of the term of the Agreement from July 1, 2004 through June 30, 2006 to July 1, 2004 through June 30, 2007.

VISION ALIGNMENT:

Commitment: Ensure basic health and safety for all.

Goal 6: Children grow up healthy in safe and supportive homes and neighborhoods.

The Agreement with YFESSTRC contributes to this commitment and goal by providing outreach to the community and providing information regarding services available to children and their families.

Performance Measure(s):

Measure	Actual FY 2004-05	Projected FY 2005-07
Percent increase in the Sexually Transmitted Diseases (STD) and Family Planning services at the Wellness Center due to YFESSTRC referrals and education	20%	20%
Percentage of students receiving five or more sessions of counseling who achieve their treatment goals.	75%	75%

BACKGROUND:

Sequoia High School was seeing an increased rate of depression and crisis among its students at the same time the Health Clinic operated by Youth and Family Enrichment Services in Redwood City was closing (FY 2002-03). The Health Clinic had been providing counseling as well as medical services. As a result, various organizations collaborated to develop services that would be easily accessed by high school students. The Teen Wellness Center (Health Clinic) is on the campus and is open to all Redwood City youth. The Sequoia Teen Resource Center is for Sequoia High School students and is meant to specifically address their mental health needs.

The Sequoia Teen Resource Center has quickly reached capacity with the large number of teens who are being seen for mental health needs including primarily depression, self-mutilation and family conflict. A variety of other mental health issues are also being addressed. Many teens are self referring and many referrals are received from counselors, teachers and parents. The Sequoia Teen Resource Center works closely with the Teen Wellness Center to maximize resources and best meet the need. Additionally, staff is looking at group therapy and other resources as a means to address the tremendous need for mental health services.

On July 1, 2004, the Human Services Agency (HSA) entered into an Agreement with YFESSTRC pursuant to which the County agreed to provide one full time Psychiatric Social Worker at the YFESSTRC for the purpose of providing counseling and child abuse prevention services and YFESSTRC agreed to reimburse the County for a maximum of \$44,000 representing one-half of the cost of the salary and benefits for such worker for the FY 2004-2005.

DISCUSSION:.

This Amendment to the Agreement will extend the term of the Agreement until June 30, 2007 and will provide for the reimbursement for the salary and benefits of the Psychiatric Social Worker out posted at YFESSTRC for FY's 2005-07. The Amendment will provide for \$35,800 in reimbursement from YFESSTRC for FY 2005-06 and \$30,300 in reimbursement for FY 2006-2007. This amendment has been reviewed and approved as to form by the County Counsel's Office. Risk Management has reviewed and approved YFES's insurance.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Pursuant to the Amendment, the term of the Revenue Agreement will be July 1, 2004 through June 30, 2007. YFESSTRC will reimburse the County \$66,100 in partial salary and benefits for FY's 2005-07, of which \$35,800 is for FY 2005-06 and is included in the Children and Family Services Agency Adopted Budget, and \$30,300 is for FY 2006-07 and will be included in the FY 2006-07 Recommended Budget. The total dollar amount of the Agreement, as amended, will be \$110,100.