



COUNTY OF SAN MATEO
Inter-Departmental Correspondence

Human Services Agency

DATE: January 23, 2007
BOARD MEETING DATE: February 13, 2007
SPECIAL NOTICE/HEARING: None
VOTE REQUIRED: Majority

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors

FROM: Beverly Beasley Johnson, J.D., Director, Human Services Agency
Mark Lane, Director, Children and Family Services

SUBJECT: Fifth Amendment to the Agreement with El Centro de Libertad

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a Resolution authorizing the execution of a Fifth Amendment to the Agreement with El Centro de Libertad to provide court-mandated alcohol/drug testing for persons referred by Children and Family Services staff, the term remains the same, July 1, 2002 through June 30, 2007, increasing the amount by \$53,000 to \$183,788, \$37,100 is Net County Cost.

VISION ALIGNMENT:

Commitment: Ensure basic health and safety for all.

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

This Agreement contributes to this commitment and goal by providing alcohol and drug testing screens for parents of children that are in the Child Welfare System to keep families healthy and safe.

Performance Measure(s):

Measure	FY 2005-06 Actual	FY 2006-07 Projected
Number of clients tested for drug and /or alcohol.	46	50

BACKGROUND:

On July 1, 2002, the Human Services Agency (HSA) contracted with El Centro de Libertad in the amount of \$17,788 to provide court-mandated alcohol/drug testing for persons in the South part of San Mateo County referred by Children and Family Services Social Workers. The contractor was chosen based on their location and expertise in providing these services. On June 12, 2003, HSA signed Change Order Number 1 to add funds in the amount of \$20,000 for the continuation of alcohol/drug testing services to clients residing in the South part of San Mateo County for FY 2004-05.

On May 10, 2004, HSA mailed a Request for Interest (RFI) to 29 service providers for the court mandated alcohol/drug testing services. From the list of 29, only two (2) responses were received, one from El Centro de Libertad and one from Sitike Counseling Center. El Centro de Libertad was selected to provide services due to their location and expertise.

On July 16, 2004, the County Manager's Office approved the request to extend the contract for an additional three years with El Centro de Libertad.

On July 20, 2004, HSA approved Change Order Number 2 to add funds in the amount of \$20,000 and extend the term to June 30, 2007 for the continuation of alcohol/drug testing services to clients.

On July 14, 2005, the County Manager's Office approved Change Order Number 3 to add funds in the amount of \$42,000 for FY 2005-06.

On May 2, 2006, the Board of Supervisors approved a Fourth Amendment, Resolution number 067959, waiving the Request for Proposal and adding funds in the amount of \$31,000 due to increased referrals and frequency in testing for FY 2005-06.

DISCUSSION:

This Fifth Amendment with El Centro de Libertad will add funds for FY 2006-07. Children and Family Services (CFS) saw a steady increase in referrals for drug testing in recent years. In San Mateo County, there has been an increase in alcohol and drug use, specifically methamphetamine. Methamphetamine use is widespread among women and affects unborn babies and children exposed to this drug. This has posed challenges for CFS since there are more families impacted by this very addictive drug. This Agreement with El Centro de Libertad will help identify drug and alcohol use and aid CFS in developing service plans for families to ensure safe and a stable living situation for children.

The contractor has assured compliance with the County's Contractor Employee Jury Service Ordinance, as well as all other contract provisions that are required by County ordinance and administrative memoranda, including but not limited to insurance, hold harmless, non-discrimination and equal benefits. County Counsel has reviewed and approved the Resolution and Agreement as to form and Risk Management has approved Contractor's insurance.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The term of the Agreement is July 1, 2002 through June 30, 2007. The total obligation is \$183,788. Of the amended portion of \$53,000, \$15,900 is funded through Child Welfare Services and \$37,100 is Net County Cost. There are sufficient appropriations in the FY 2006-07 Adopted Budget.