

County of El Dorado

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Legislation Text

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Health and Human Services Agency, Social Services Division, recommending the Board consider the following:

1) Approve and authorize the Chair to sign Agreement for Services 440-S1411 with Whole Person Learning, Inc., for the provision of Transitional Housing Program - Plus services on an "as requested" basis for the term March 1, 2014 through February 28, 2017, with a maximum annual obligation of \$258,768 for not more than nine participants per 12-month period, subject to County Counsel and Risk Management's review, minor revisions, and approval of Agreement for Services 440-S1411; and 2) Authorize the Purchasing Agent, or designee, to execute further documents relating to Agreement for Services 440-S1411, including amendments thereto, contingent upon approval by County Counsel and Risk Management that do not affect the term or maximum funding of \$258,768 per fiscal year.

FUNDING: State Realignment Funds.

BUDGET SUMMARY:	
Total Estimated Annual	\$258,768
Cost	
Budget - Current Fiscal Year (FY)	\$258,768
Budget - Each Future Fiscal Year (FY)	\$258,768
Total Funding	\$258,768
Available	
Change To Net County	\$0
Cost	

Fiscal Impact/Change to Net County Cost

Pursuant to Welfare and Institutions Code 11403(a)(2) and Welfare and Institutions Code 15200, funding per participant shall not exceed seventy percent (70%) of the average foster care expenditures the County pays to group homes for foster youth, contingent upon the availability of the State Transitional Housing for Foster Youth Fund. There is no Net County Cost impact associated with this Agreement. Sufficient appropriations are included in the Fiscal Year 2013-14 budget and will be included in future County Budget Requests.

Background

Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA) has contracted with Whole Person Learning, Inc. since 2011 for the provision of Transitional Housing Program Plus (THP-Plus) services for certain

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emancipated foster youths and/or former dependents or wards of the juvenile court.

THP-Plus is a State program created in 2001 to provide affordable housing and supportive services to homeless former foster youth, ages 18 - 24 years old, to assist them in continuing their transition to independence. County of El Dorado Board of Supervisors approved the Department of Human Services THP-Plus plan on March 28, 2006, with an effective start date of July 1, 2006, as set by the State. Currently, fifty-three (53) counties, including County of El Dorado, have State-approved THP-Plus plans.

Reason for Recommendation

Welfare and Institutions Codes 11403.2 and 16522.2 provides for THP-Plus services. HHSA is responsible for the oversight of the administration of THP-Plus services. Approval of Agreement for Services 440-S1411 will permit the continued provision of THP-Plus services on an "as requested" basis and will assist emancipated foster youth and/or former dependents or wards of the juvenile court to develop life skills and work toward self-sufficiency. The maximum time for an emancipated foster youth to participate in the THP-Plus program is 24 cumulative months.

HHSA currently has clients utilizing Whole Person Learning, Inc.'s services and failure to approve this Agreement for Services would disrupt the progress of these clients, as well as diminish the County's ability to provide these services for clients in the future.

Clerk of the Board Follow Up Actions

- 1. Clerk of the Board to obtain the Chair's signature on two (2) originals of Agreement for Services 440-S1411, subject to County Counsel and Risk Management's review, minor revisions, and approval of Agreement for Services.
- 2. The Clerk of the Board to forward one (1) fully executed original Agreement to HHSA Contracts Unit at Briw Road for further processing.

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Concurrences

County Counsel and Risk Mangement