



**SAN BENITO COUNTY
AGENDA ITEM
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Item Number: 1.18

MEETING DATE: 06/10/2025

DEPARTMENT: HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY

AGENDA ITEM PREPARER: Yolanda Beltran

DEPT HEAD/DIRECTOR: Tracey Belton

SUBJECT:

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY-T. BELTON

Approve contract with Rebekah's Children's Services (RCS) for the term of June 10, 2025, through June 30, 2027 in the amount of \$1,475,000.00 to provide a comprehensive array of prevention and early intervention child welfare services to San Benito County children and families such as Family Urgent Response System (FURS); a Home Visitation Prevention Program; Parenting Education Classes; Evidence-Based Child Care; Child and Family Team (CFT) Facilitation; Counseling Services for Parents, Legal Guardians, Foster Youth, and Resource Families; Peer Parent Partner Program Development; Anger Management Services; Support Groups for Parents and Resource Families; and implementation of the Associate Community Worker (ACW) Promotores Program, designed to enhance child safety, promote family stability, and support positive outcomes for youth and families, in alignment with local, state, and federal child welfare priorities, authorize the Board Chair to sign the contract, and authorize HHSA Director or Designee to sign any future amendments.

SBC FILE NUMBER: 130

AGENDA SECTION:

CONSENT AGENDA

BACKGROUND/SUMMARY:

California's child welfare system is focused on protecting children and supporting families to prevent abuse and neglect. A key priority is keeping families together safely by addressing problems early—before they escalate into crisis. To support this goal, the following services are being contracted as part of California's prevention and early intervention efforts:

Family Urgent Response System (FURS): 24/7 mobile crisis support for foster youth and caregivers.

Home Visitation Prevention Program: In-home support for parents of young children to strengthen parenting and prevent system involvement.

Parenting Education & Anger Management Classes: Practical tools for managing stress, building healthy family relationships, and promoting positive discipline.

Child and Family Team (CFT) Facilitation: Guided meetings that include family, service providers, and support networks to plan for the child's needs.

Counseling Services: Mental health support for foster youth, caregivers, parents, and legal guardians.

Peer Parent Partner Program: Trained parent mentors with lived experience who support families currently involved in the system.

Support Groups: Safe spaces for parents and caregivers to share experiences, reduce isolation, and build resilience.

Evidence-Based Child Care Services: Quality childcare that helps reduce risk factors and promotes healthy development.

Associate Community Worker (ACW) & Promotores Programs: Community-based outreach and education, especially in underserved and culturally diverse communities.

These services are intended to strengthen families, prevent deeper involvement in the child welfare system, and improve outcomes for children, youth, and families in San Benito County.

Funding is provided through a combination of local, state, and federal sources.

RESOLUTION OR ORDINANCE NEEDED FOR THIS ITEM:

No

CONTRACT NEEDED FOR THIS ITEM:

Yes

RFP AND BID HISTORY:

2024-RFP-007 was released in 2024, to solicit a vendor to provide prevention services to children and families in San Benito County. Rebekah Children's Services was the only organization to submit a proposal. Upon review of the proposal, it was determined that this organization had the capacity to effectively provide a variety of services in San Benito County that would provide prevention and early intervention to children and families at risk of becoming involved in the child welfare system. Contract development took time to ensure the final product would be comprehensive in nature.

LAST CONTRACT AMOUNT OR N/A:

N/A

CONTRACT HISTORY (Describe all amendments and previous contracts):

New contract

STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS: 1. Operational Development & Excellence

No

STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS: 2. Planning And Sustainable Growth

No

STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS: 3. Technology

No

STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS: 4. Community Engagement

No

STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS: 5. Health & Safe Community

Yes

BUDGETED:

Yes

BUDGET ADJUSTMENT NEEDED:

No

SOURCE OF FUNDING:

Non-general Fund

UNFUNDED MANDATE:

No

SBC BUDGET LINE ITEM NUMBER:

221.80.2285.1000.619.250

CURRENT FY COST:

\$600,000.00

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

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ATTACHMENTS:

[Contract - Rebekah's Children Services](#)