June 28, 2005

Board of Supervisors 3501 Civic Center Drive San Rafael, CA 94903

SUBJECT: Health & Human Services Department, Social Services Division,

Employment & Training Branch: Contract with MV Public Transportation, Inc., to Provide Shuttle Services for 120 N. Redwood Drive in the Amount of

19,408.88 for FY 2005/06 (New)

Dear Supervisors:

RECOMMENDATION: Approve and authorize the President to sign agreement with MV Public Transportation for FY 2005-06 in the amount of \$19,408.88, to provide shuttle services from July 1, 2005 until Sept. 30, 2005 in support of county residents traveling between the San Rafael Transit Center and the County's Social Services facility located at 120 N Redwood Drive, San Rafael.

SUMMARY: The Social Services building located at 120 N Redwood Drive is not well served by the local public transportation system. A Low Income Flexible Transportation Grant from the Metropolitan Transportation Commission and matching funds were used to establish a free shuttle service in April, 2003. Grant funds will exhaust on June 30, 2005. This action will continue this important free service using county funds.

COMMUNITY BENEFIT: In April, 2005, 168 riders of the County Shuttle Connection were interviewed as part of an annual Customer Satisfaction Survey. 83% of the respondents consider the service "essential" or "very important" to them. 49% of the riders are unemployed and looking for work, 24% have a current attachment to the labor market and 53% of the working riders claim their employment is a direct result of having this shuttle. Additionally, the shuttle kept an unknown number of vehicles off the road thereby reducing fuel consumption and polluting emissions.

FISCAL IMPACT: There is no fiscal impact. Funds are reflected in the proposed 2005-06 budget in 612-2267.

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