

January 31, 2006

Marin County Board of Supervisors
3501 Civic Center Drive
San Rafael, California 94903

SUBJECT: Division of Social Services, Agreement with Huckleberry Youth Programs for FY 2005-06 in the amount of \$61, 244 (Renewal)

Dear Supervisors:

RECOMMENDATION.

1. Approve and authorize President to sign agreement with Huckleberry Youth Programs for FY 2005-06 in the amount of \$161,244 to provide three beds at the facility on 9 Grove Lane in San Anselmo for emergency shelter for children.

SUMMARY: Huckleberry Youth Programs has an established rate set by the State of California Department of Social Services (CDSS) at \$4,479 per bed. The County is contracting for three beds at their facility on 9 Grove Lane for FY 2005-06.

CONTRACT PERFORMANCE: Huckleberry Youth Programs at 9 Grove Lane provides shelter care for teens in need of placement in Marin County. This program provides extensive services for youth that are having difficulty in their family homes. The site is attractive, well-maintained, and designed for teens. The contractor has evaluative measures in place to assist them in monitoring the effectiveness of the services they provide.

COMMUNITY IMPACT: Huckleberry Youth Programs provide an essential service to Marin County by providing shelter beds to teens in need of out-of-home placement, along with extensive counseling and referral services to all teens in the community.

STAFFING/FISCAL IMPACT: This amount has been budgeted for FY 2005-06 in budget center 615-3119 and 619-3119. There is no net additional cost associated with this program.

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Human Resources	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
County Counsel	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>

Sincerely,

Larry Meredith, Ph.D.
Director of Health and Human Services

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