



**Contra
Costa
County**

To: Board of Supervisors

From: Kathy Gallagher, Employment & Human Services Director

Date: February 27, 2018

Subject: Amend Contract with CoCoKids, Inc.

RECOMMENDATION(S):

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the Employment and Human Services Director, or designee, to execute a contract amendment with CoCoKids, Inc., a non-profit public benefit corporation, effective February 1, 2018, to increase the payment limit by \$28,821 to a new payment limit of \$298,795 to provide additional Emergency Child Care Bridge Program for Foster Children services for the period of January 1, 2018 through June 30, 2018.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The contract amendment will increase expenditures by \$28,821. The cost of the contract is covered 91% by State funding and 9% by Federal Title IV-E funding.

BACKGROUND:

The lack of access to child care for potential eligible families seeking to take in a foster child is one of the top barriers to placing young foster children with families. The passage of Senate Bill (SB) 89, established the Emergency Child Care Bridge Program for Foster

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **02/27/2018** ☒ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

VOTE OF SUPERVISORS

AYE: John Gioia, District I
Supervisor
Candace Andersen, District II
Supervisor
Diane Burgis, District III
Supervisor
Karen Mitchoff, District IV
Supervisor

ABSENT: Federal D. Glover, District V
Supervisor

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.

ATTESTED: February 27, 2018

David Twa, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: June McHuen, Deputy

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BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

Children (Bridge Program). The Bridge Program provides services that include six-month payment (or voucher) for child care, as well as assistance from a child care navigator for eligible relative caregivers, eligible families, or parenting youth in foster care.

Trauma-informed care training and coaching is also provided to child care providers who care for children in foster care.

The purpose of this program is to increase the number of foster children successfully placed in home-based family care, increase capacity of child care programs to meet the needs of foster children in their care, and maximize funding to support the child care needs of eligible families.

The original contract, in the amount of \$269,974, was approved by the Board of Supervisors at its January 9, 2018 meeting (C.61). This contract amendment will increase the payment limit due to the County receiving additional funds from the State. As the State implements the new program, the number of Counties participating has fluctuated and thus the final allocation increased for January 1 through June 30, 2018.

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

Availability of ideal placement for foster children with eligible families may be limited.

CHILDREN'S IMPACT STATEMENT:

This contract supports all five of Contra Costa County's community outcomes established in the Children's Report Card: (1) Children Ready for and Succeeding in School; (2) Children and Youth Healthy and Preparing for Productive Adulthood; (3) Families that are Economically Self Sufficient; (4) Families that are Safe, Stable and Nurturing; and (5) Communities that are Safe and Provide a High Quality of Life for Children and Families, by providing safe housing and support to assist youth while transitioning from foster care to independent living.