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Costa  
County**

To: Board of Supervisors

From: Kathy Gallagher, Employment & Human Services Director

Date: May 21, 2019

Subject: Community Violence Solutions Contract for the Operation of the Children's Interview Center

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**RECOMMENDATION(S):**

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the Employment and Human Services Director, or designee, to execute a contract with Community Violence Solutions, a non-profit corporation, in an amount not to exceed \$142,000, for the continued operation of the Children's Interview Center, for the period of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

The funds allocated for this contract are 14% from the General Fund (\$20,000) and 86% (\$122,000) from Local Law Enforcement Agencies.

**BACKGROUND:**

Community Violence Solutions in collaboration with the Employment and Human Services Department, the Sheriff's Department, and local Law Enforcement Agencies operates the multidisciplinary Children's Interview Center (CIC). CIC provides forensic interviews and/or forensic exams to child victims of sexual abuse. It provides skilled interviews in a child-friendly setting to decrease the child's trauma by minimizing the number of interviews, and it has implemented standardized evidence collection processes that increased the number of cases prosecuted.

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☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

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Action of Board On: **05/21/2019** ☒ 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  
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: May 21, 2019

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

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cc:



CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

Without the site and services provided in this contract, forensic interviews and exams for child victims may need to take place multiple times, and in multiple locations, increasing the trauma to the child.

CHILDREN'S IMPACT STATEMENT:

This contract supports three of the five community outcomes established in the Children's Report Card: (2) "Children and Youth Healthy and Preparing for Productive Adulthood"; (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."