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Costa
County**

To: Board of Supervisors

From: Kathy Gallagher, Employment & Human Services Director

Date: November 3, 2020

Subject: Amend Contract with CoCoKids, Inc. for the Emergency Child Care Bridge Program

RECOMMENDATION(S):

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the Employment and Human Services Director, or designee, to execute a contract amendment and extension with CocoKids, Inc., a non-profit public benefit corporation, to extend contract term six (6) months through June 30, 2021 and to increase the payment limit by \$243,760 to a new payment limit of \$1,642,980 to provide Emergency Child Care Bridge Program services for foster children.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This will increase department expenditures by \$243,759.39 for a total department expenditure of \$1,642,979.39 of which \$785,274 is for the Fiscal 2020-2021 year. The funds allocated for this contract are 83% State Capped funds and 17% Federal Title IV-E funding.

BACKGROUND:

As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, the final fiscal year 2020-2021 State allocation for the Emergency Child Care Bridge Program was delayed, which required an extension of the

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ADMINISTRATOR

COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **11/03/2020** ☒ 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: November 3, 2020

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

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previous contract through December 31, 2020. With recent receipt of the Emergency Child Care

BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

Bridge Allocation from the State covering July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021, the Contract terms and budget were renegotiated to support continuance of the Emergency Child Care Bridge Program through June 30, 2021.

The Emergency Child Care Bridge Program for Foster Children (Bridge Program) was established as a result of Senate Bill (SB) 89. The Contractor provides Bridge Program services that include six-month payment (or voucher) for childcare, as well as assistance from childcare navigator(s) for eligible relative caregivers, eligible families or parenting youth in foster care. The contractor also provides trauma-informed care training and coaching to childcare 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 childcare programs to meet the needs of foster children in their care, and maximize funding to support the childcare needs of eligible families, especially during the current COVID-19 pandemic.

Approval of the Contract Extension Agreement will allow the Contractor to continue to provide critical emergency childcare services to foster youth and their eligible families through June 30, 2021.

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

Availability of ideal placement of foster children with eligible families may be limited and State/Federal funding will be lost.

CHILDREN'S IMPACT STATEMENT:

This contract supports all five of the 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 in foster care.