The County of Yuba

Health and Human Services Department

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Jennifer Vasquez, Director
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Health and Human Services Department

SUBJECT: Approve Agreement with Yuba Community College for the Independent Living Program

DATE: August 22, 2023

NUMBER: 426/2023

Recommendation

Approve the Agreement between Yuba County, on behalf of its Health and Human Services Department, and Yuba Community College for the Independent Living Program (ILP) for the term of July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2026, and authorize the Chair to execute.

Background

Each county receives an ILP allocation from the state to provide a program which prepares foster youth to successfully transition from foster case into adulthood. Curriculum focuses on preparing for employment, securing housing, financial literacy, and connection to community resources. The ILP is further intended to increase and support the youths' self-esteem, encourage positive social networks and offer exposure to activities to which they may not otherwise experience, such as community service and the arts. The Health and Human Services Department (HHSD) has contracted with Yuba Community College (YCC) to provide ILP services since July 2000.

Discussion

The activities, incentives and curriculum for the ILP program are designed through a collaborative process with input from foster parents, HHSD, and YCC. Activities include:

- Weekly educational classes attended by an average of 20 youth per month with topics such as daily living skills, employment preparation, meal preparation and shopping on a budget, tobacco/vaping awareness and back to school preparation.
- Recreational activities such as holiday dinners, local theater, tie dye time, swimming retreats, computer skills bootcamp, and outdoor hiking
- Graduation celebrations and welcome back retreats
- Incentive gift cards for program participation, average 10 youth per month

Committee Action:

The Human Services Committee was by-passed as this request is routine in nature with no General Fund impact

Fiscal Impact:

Budget

- Included in the FY 2023-2024 Budget Appropriation

Total Projected Cost

- 3 year contract at $68,716 per year for a total cost $206,148

Source of Funds

- Non-General Fund $206,148 State and Federal funding
    - Child and Adult Protective Services

Attachments

426/2023 ILP Agreement - Yuba College 2023-2026