The County of Yuba

Health and Human Services Department

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Health and Human Services Department
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SUBJECT: Health and Human Services Department: Approve MOU with Trukidz to allow use of one storage unit leased by Yuba County for hygiene kit supplies.

DATE: April 9, 2024

NUMBER: 149/2024

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors approve the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Health and Human Services Department (HHSD) and Trukidz to provide one ten-by-ten storage unit for the term of February 1, 2024 to January 31, 2025 and authorize the Chair to execute.

Background:

Trukidz is a non-profit organization which was established in March 2014 to provide hygiene supplies to students who are experiencing housing instability. The hygiene kits are designed to assist students to improve school performance and social connections. Each hygiene kit includes essential items such as shampoo, conditioner, brush, socks, toothbrush/toothpaste, and feminine hygiene products. Trukidz organizes events throughout the community which promotes students' involvement with assembling the hygiene kits. Trukidz was founded by a local student who continues to oversee the distribution of hygiene kits to schools throughout Yuba County.

Discussion:

According to the Department of Education, 343 Yuba County students were experiencing housing instability during the 2023 school year. The assistance that Trukidz provides students is important to their social development and academic success.

Trukidz is poised to receive supplies from Feed the Children, a non-profit organization, however that organization requires Trukidz to store the products in a temperature-controlled storage facility to provide safe products for students. Yuba County Health and Human Services recommends allowing Trukidz to use their existing temperature-controlled storage unit leased from Extra Storage facility at 5724 Chestnut Rd., Olivehurst, California.

Committee Action:

The Human Services Committee was bypassed because the Agreement is routine in nature and does not involve County General Funds.

Fiscal Impact:

No funding commitment, staff time only.

Attachment:

149/2024 Trukidz MOU