

**MEMORANDUM**  
**PLACER COUNTY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**  
**Children's System of Care**

**TO:** Honorable Board of Supervisors  
**FROM:** Jeffrey S. Brown, M.P.H., M.S.W., Director of Health and Human Services  
Richard S. Knecht, Director of Children's System of Care  
**DATE:** June 3, 2014  
**SUBJECT:** Contract for Provision of Family Finding and Kinship Support Services Program

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**ACTION REQUESTED:**

1. Approve the award of Request for Proposals (RFP) No. 10302 for a Family Finding and Kinship Support Services Program, and
2. Approve a contract with Lilliput Children's Services for a Family Finding (FF) and Kinship Support Services Program (KSSP) from July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2016 for a total amount not to exceed \$456,078 (\$27,856 net County cost), and authorize the Director of Health and Human Services to sign subsequent amendments up to 10 percent of the total amount consistent with the agreement's subject matter and scope of work.

**BACKGROUND:**

Lilliput Children's Services is a private, non-profit agency specializing in adoptions and Kinship Care services. This contract will provide Family Finding and Kinship Support to at least 60 foster children. Family Finding is the process of helping locate and reestablish family and kinship connection between foster care children and their extended family members. Kinship Support provides assistance to grandparents or other relatives who have taken on the parental responsibility for children removed from their home, helping the children achieve permanency in a nurturing family environment. While Placer County has been a pioneer in developing these services in the last two decades, the State now mandates additional focus in this area for all counties.

This year, a RFP was released for these services. Notification of the RFP was distributed to 60 agencies of which 21 downloaded the RFP. A total of seven interested agencies responded to this RFP. The RFP evaluation panel, comprised of staff from Children's System of Care, Probation Department and the Latino Leadership Council reviewed and rated the proposals. The proposals were rated as follows:

1. Lilliput Children's Services, Roseville, CA
2. Koinonia Family Services, Loomis, CA
3. Sierra Forever Families, Sacramento, CA

The evaluation panel recommends award of the Family Finding and Kinship Support Services Program contract to Lilliput Children's Services. The evaluation panel determined that Lilliput Children's Services is the most qualified, and presented a thoughtful and thorough program proposal, which not only addressed Placer County youth needs for services, but demonstrated Lilliput's exceptional outcomes in connecting foster children and youth with caring, permanent and effective kinship and foster service providers. Lilliput received a total score of 510.1 (includes local vendor preference) out of a possible 500 maximum points in the rating.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Total expenditures are \$456,078; of this total, \$225,000 are included in the Department's FY 2014-15 Requested Budget and \$231,078 will be included in the Department's FY 2015-16 Requested Budget. This contract is funded by \$428,222 of State funds and \$27,856 of County General Funds is required.

This contract is on file with Clerk of the Board for review.

