

**MEMORANDUM**  
**PLACER COUNTY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**  
**Community Health**

**TO:** Honorable Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Richard J. Burton, M.D., M.P.H.  
Placer County Health Officer and Director of Health and Human Services  
Michael P. Mulligan, M.D., M.B.A., Director of Community Health

**DATE:** April 18, 2006

**SUBJECT:** Amendments to Safe and Drug Free Schools Grant and Subcontracts

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**ACTION REQUESTED:**

1. Approve an amendment to the California Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs Safe and Drug Free Schools Grant, Agreement Number SDF03-10, extending the grant for two years and increasing funding by \$155,194.43, and authorize the Chairman of the Board to sign the amendment, and
2. Authorize the Director of Health and Human Services to sign related amended subcontracts, increasing the total contract amounts commensurate with the term extension, with Western Placer Unified School District (\$23,345.92), Foresthill Union School District (\$11,897.60), and the Child Abuse Prevention Council of Placer County (\$17,500) to complete the program activities for this grant.

**BACKGROUND:**

In 2003 Placer County HHS, Community Health was awarded this grant to implement the Caring School and Community Program to promote safe and drug free schools at four school sites by December 31, 2005. This grant has been extended until December 31, 2007. This contract and related subcontracts represent the funding and scope of work required to receive the additional funds. Working with the staff at Sheridan Elementary School (Western Placer Unified School District), Foresthill Elementary School, and the Child Abuse Prevention Council staff working with Rock Creek School families (in the Auburn Union District), Community Health staff will increase the protective factors of caring school climate, parent involvement in school, commitment to learning, positive values, social competencies, positive identity, and academic achievement. These factors have a long-term impact in decreasing youth alcohol, tobacco and other drug use, violence and dropout rates. Activities include teacher training, classroom planning and decision making meetings, parent education and support, and other activities integrated into the school day that are solution focused and increase school connectedness. The Caring School Community Program has been implemented successfully in neighboring counties with the full support of teachers who view it as a support rather than an "add-on" activity. Several measures will be used to track outcomes including the California State Office of Education Healthy Kids Survey Resiliency Modules, attendance records, grade records, test scores, school incidents and other school and community indicators.

The school districts will use these funds to provide a stipend to a project coordinator, a data collector, after-school program instructors, and train the trainer participants as well as fund the cost of the Healthy Kids Resiliency Survey. Community Health receives a majority of the funds to offset staff costs to provide technical assistance to the contractors, to manage the grant reporting requirements, and to support existing staff to coordinate the project and pay for the Caring School Community Program on-site trainings, consultations and materials. This program is integrated into ongoing activities of the Prevention Team in Community Health. No additional positions are required.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

These activities will be fully funded through the State grant. No net change in County General Fund occurs as a result of this grant.

The contract for:

**Safe and Drug Free Schools and  
Communities Amendment**

Is on file with the Clerk of the Board  
for BOS meeting:

**April 18, 2006**