

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
Dr. Michael P. Mulligan, Assistant Health Officer

DATE: June 27, 2006

SUBJECT: Community-Based Primary Substance Abuse Prevention Grant

ACTION REQUESTED:

Approve the award of a Substance Abuse Prevention Grant in the amount of \$15,000 to Christina Crandall, an independent contractor, from May 1, 2006 through December 31, 2006, and authorize the Director of Health and Human Services to sign the agreement and rescind the contract with Placer Community Foundation authorized by the Board of Supervisors April 18, 2006.

BACKGROUND:

In April 2006 your Board approved five contracts for a total of \$87,500 with grantees to support community-based activities to reduce the problem of underage drinking and substance abuse. The California Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs provides this funding to HHS for activities that promote primary prevention of substance abuse. The five grantees were selected to assure participation of youth throughout the county. One of the approved grantees, Placer Community Foundation has determined that they will not be able to participate. Another contractor, Christina Crandall representing Rocklin Community against Substance Abuse, has been identified as a replacement contractor that will assure Roseville youth are involved.

The goal of the grant is the reduction of community alcohol and other drug (AOD) use by engaging teens in meaningful community and environmental prevention efforts. The youth in the program will help define approaches that appeal to youth for Placer's AOD prevention efforts by leading youth focus groups through a series of questions and data collection. The program incorporates youth development principles and will involve teens leading the program as adults assist. These activities build skills and strengths in the youth as well as building agency capacity in youth development practices. The funding in these grants will support each contractor's coordinator, youth stipends, training for participants, and data collection and reporting.

The data gathered through the focus groups will be analyzed and used to create the 2006-07 Strengths and Assets Promotion strategic plan for environmental change within Placer County that addresses teen alcohol and drug access, use and availability.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The California Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs Substance Abuse Prevention fully funds the community-based grants, and this funding is included in the FY05/06 budget. No County general funds are required to support these activities.

The contract for:

**Youth
Development/Environmental
Grant – Christina Crandell**

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

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