

**MEMORANDUM
PLACER COUNTY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
Adult System of Care**

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors

FROM: Richard J. Burton, M.D., M.P.H.
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Maureen F. Bauman, Director, Adult System of Care

DATE: July 9, 2013

SUBJECT: Domestic Violence Trust Fund Contracts with Stand Up Placer and Tahoe SAFE Alliance

ACTION REQUESTED:

1. Approve the following agreements to provide domestic violence counseling, shelter, and support services from July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014, and authorize the Director of Health and Human Services to sign the resulting contracts and subsequent amendments up to 10 percent of the original contract amount, consistent with the agreements' subject matter and scope of work:
 - a. Stand Up Placer, Inc. in the amount of \$46,066 (no net County cost), and
 - b. Crisis Intervention Services dba Tahoe SAFE Alliance in the amount of \$19,742 (no net County cost).

BACKGROUND:

California Government Code requires the County Clerk to collect a \$23 fee at the time of issuance of a marriage license to be deposited into a Domestic Violence Trust Fund for distribution to eligible domestic violence programs within the county. These funds must be used solely to provide basic domestic violence prevention and treatment services as defined in the California Welfare and Institutions Code.

Within Placer County, two organizations are currently eligible to receive this funding. Tahoe SAFE Alliance provides services within the Tahoe area, while Stand Up Placer, formerly PEACE for Families, serves the remainder of the County. Services eligible to be provided with this funding include: 24-hour, 7-days-per-week shelter services; 24-hour, 7-days-per-week crisis hotline; temporary housing and food facilities; psychological support and peer counseling; referrals to community services and appropriate follow-up; emergency transportation to the shelter, including law enforcement assistance if needed; and arrangements for school-age children to continue their education while staying at the shelter. Of the \$23 fee, \$4 is to be used, to the extent feasible, to develop or expand domestic violence centers to target underserved areas and populations.

Both organizations provide effective and necessary domestic violence prevention and treatment. During 2012, Stand Up Placer received requests for shelter services from 207 individuals, while Tahoe SAFE Alliance received seven such requests. Psychological support and peer counseling were provided to 57 adults and children through Tahoe SAFE Alliance, and to 984 through Stand Up Placer. The population benefiting from these critical services includes clients served by Health and Human Services.

Domestic Violence Trust Fund disbursements for FY 2013-14 will total \$65,808, an increase of \$20,808 (46 percent) over the prior year, and are comprised of fees collected on marriage licenses issued in Placer County. As required by State Codes, these fees must be passed through to eligible domestic violence programs within the County.

FISCAL IMPACT:

These services are fully funded through these Domestic Violence Trust fund collections, and costs are included in the Department's FY 2013-14 Proposed Budget. No County General Fund is required.

These contracts are on file with the Clerk of the Board for review.

