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Honorable Board of Supervisors Administration Building Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Board Members:

**SUBJECT:** Approval of new FY 2009 – 2010 contract with Family Support Services of the Bay Area for Respite Care Services

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that your Board:

Approve an amendment to the CBO Master Contract with Family Support Services of the Bay Area, Master Contract # 000176, Procurement #4152, (Principal: Lou Fox; Location: Oakland, CA) combining two services with no change in the amount of \$184,317 or the period July 1, 2009 – June 30, 2010, for continued respite care services and delegate authority to the Social Services Agency Director, or designee, to execute the contract under the master contract process.

## **SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:**

This letter requests action by your Board to approve and authorize a new modified service contract with Family Support Services of the Bay Area (FSSBA). On June 30, 2009, your Board approved funding renewals of two FY 2009 - 2010 CBO Master Contracts-Exhibits with FSSBA under the Respite Care Services program administered by the SSA's Children and Family Services (CFS) as follows: 1) Respite Care for Emergency Foster Homes for the maximum contract amount of \$96,640, and 2) CARI Respite Care for Foster Parents and Relative Caregivers for the maximum contract amount of \$87,677. The Agency is requesting the merging of these two service agreements as both provide very similar services. The recommended new contract will allow CFS to better monitor and track services that are being provided to low-income children and families in the Foster Care system. This action will also ensure that referrals will be made appropriately and that the increasing number of clients will be served efficiently in a timely manner.

## **SELECTION CRITERIA AND PROCESS:**

On June 30, 2009 (File #23477, Item #6) your Board approved funding renewals for both FSSBA contracts: 1) Respite Care for Emergency Foster Homes in the amount of \$96,640, and 2) CARI Respite Care for Foster Parents and Relative Caregivers in the amount of \$87,677. The recommended new FY 2009 – 2010 Respite Care Services contract with FSSBA will replace those already approved by your Board.

## FINANCING:

Funds for this contract are within the approved FY 2009 – 2010 Agency budget. There are no new net County costs.

Sincerely,

Yolanda Baldovinos Agency Director

c: Auditor-Controller County Administrator County Counsel

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