

CONTRACT
Between
San Bernardino County
Children and Family Services
and
_____ **(Foster Family Agency)**
for
Foster Care Family Services
Month DD, YYYY

IT IS HEREBY AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

WHEREAS, San Bernardino County (County) desires to designate a contractor of choice to provide Foster Care Family Services, as further described in a statement of work (the "Services"); and

WHEREAS, based upon and in reliance on the representations of _____ (Contractor), the County finds Contractor qualified to provide services as a Foster Family Agency (FFA); and

WHEREAS, the County desires that such services be provided by Contractor and Contractor agrees to perform these services as set forth below;

NOW, THEREFORE, the County and Contractor mutually agree to the following terms and conditions:

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A. DEFINITIONS

1. California Department of Social Services (CDSS) – The Agency that provides oversight of California’s Child Welfare and Foster Care system, Welfare-to-Work programs, Disabled and Adult programs and licensed community care facilities. The mission of CDSS is to serve, aid and protect needy and vulnerable children and adults in ways that strengthen and preserve families, encourage personal responsibility, and foster independence.
2. Caregiver Training – Training that all caregivers must complete to become resource parents. The state requires pre and post training for all caregivers. The pretraining is completed as part of the Permanency Assessment services.
3. Case Plan – A written document in the services case record that, at a minimum, specifies how the child’s unique needs and challenges identified in the assessment are to be addressed.
4. Case Management – Services that assist a beneficiary to access needed medical, educational, social, prevocational, vocational, rehabilitative, or other community services. The service activities may include, but are not limited to, communication, coordination, and referral; monitoring service delivery to ensure beneficiary access to service and the service delivery system; monitoring of the beneficiary’s progress; placement services; and plan development. Targeted Case Management may be either face-to-face or by telephone with the child/youth or significant support persons and may be provided anywhere in the community.
5. Child(ren) – As used throughout this document, child(ren) refers to any minor described in Welfare and Institutions Code (WIC) section 300 and any nonminor dependent (NMD) as described in WIC section 303, who are or were adjudged as a dependent child of the court and subject to the jurisdiction of the juvenile court. This includes children who were formerly adjudged a dependent child of the court.
6. Children and Family Services (CFS) – The San Bernardino County department that administers programs designed to address child abuse and neglect issues. CFS provides family centered programs and services that are designed to strengthen, preserve, and ensure children have access to safe and permanent family units. CFS provides support for families while working to reduce risk and harm to children, improving parenting skills, and developing strong social support networks for families.
7. Child and Family Team Meeting (CFTM) – A group that forms to meet the needs of an eligible child through whatever means possible. This team includes the child, parents, caregivers, relatives, Social Worker, Probation Officer or Behavioral Health Clinician and anyone else the family identifies as a member. In order to ensure family voice, choice and ownership of the Individualized Service Plan, every effort is made to ensure family members and family representatives constitute a minimum of fifty percent of the Child and Family Team.
8. Community Care Licensing Division (CCLD) – A division of the CDSS that promotes the health, safety, and quality of life of each person in community care through the administration of an effective and collaborative regulatory assessment and enforcement system.
9. Community Care Licensing Rates – A strength based rate methodology designed to identify the individual care and supervision needs of a child or youth which is translated to an appropriate Level of Care rate to support his/her placement.
10. Comprehensive Assessment – An evaluation of an applicant using the home environment, background check, and psychosocial assessments and any other factors set forth in the Written Directives for purposes of determining the applicant’s suitability as a Resource Family.
11. Contract – The legal agreement between the County and the Contractor.
12. Core Practice Model (CPM) – A family centered approach that is intended to improve coordination and collaboration among child welfare, mental health, and other formal and informal supports, and children and families involved with the child welfare system.
13. County – County as used throughout this document, (including its possessive form, County's) refers to San Bernardino County.

14. Corrective Action Plan (CAP) – A plan developed by the approving or monitoring agency and applicant that describes how a Resource Family is not conforming to the requirements of an applicable statute, regulations, or Written Directives and the steps the Resource Family and the Foster Family Agency (FFA) will take to ensure that the Resource Family corrects identified deficiencies within a specified time.
15. Eligibility – A Resource Family shall be considered eligible to provide foster care for related and unrelated children in out of home placement, shall be considered and approved for adoption or legal guardianship, and shall not have to undergo any additional approval or licensure.
16. Foster Family Agency (FFA) – A licensed private non-profit organization engaged in recruiting, certifying, training, monitoring, and providing professional support to foster parents, or in finding homes for placement of children for temporary or permanent care who require that level of care as an alternative to a group home.
17. Home Environment Assessment – A component of the Resource Family Approval process which requires an applicant to meet standards that include, but are not limited to, a background check, health and safety assessment of the home and grounds, outdoor activity space, storage areas of the home, and capacity determination. The Home Environment Assessment must be completed in accordance with Resource Family Approval Written Directives.
18. Home Study – An Evaluation made by the county licensing worker or adoption worker. Home studies are required for foster home license approvals and for adoptions. A home study or evaluation may also be conducted by a placement worker to evaluate a potential placement for a child.
19. Human Services – San Bernardino County Human Services (HS), a system of integrated services, where the programs and resources of nine (9) County departments come together to provide a rich, more complete array of services to the citizens of San Bernardino County under one coordinated effort.
20. Independent Living Program (ILP) – The program authorized by the Foster Care Independence Act of 1999 to provide education, training, employment, financial support, and services that help current and former juvenile court supervised (foster care and probation) youth achieve independence and self-sufficiency prior to exiting and after leaving the dependency and delinquency systems.
21. Intensive Services Foster Care (ISFC) – Serves children and youth who have complex needs that require more support than standard foster care. ISFC homes blend carefully matched ISFC foster parents with the normalizing features of foster care, a variety of services, and an individualized treatment plan, all of which focus on the unique situation and needs of the individual child or youth. ISFC is also known as Intensive Treatment Foster Care (ITFC) or Therapeutic Foster Care (TFC). ISFC uses a team approach for treatment with the ISFC foster parent(s) being vital members of the treatment team. The entire team is dedicated to positively impacting the life of the child.
22. Interim Licensing Standards (ILS) – A set of rules that are issued by the CDSS as a temporary operational tool to implement a law that was recently passed. These standards will be replaced with Title 22 regulations once written and approved.
23. Needs and Services Plan – The comprehensive assessment and strategy that identifies the child's needs in the following areas: reason for placement, education, training, personal care and grooming, ability to manage his/her own money including the maximum amount of money the child shall be permitted to have in his/her possession at any one time, visitation, including the frequency of and any other limitations on visits to the family residence and other visits inside and outside the certified family home or licensed foster family home, other specific services, including necessary services to the child's parent(s) or guardian(s), types of services necessary, including treatment plan for placement with a treatment agency, planned length of placement including the removal and/or discharge plan.
24. Non-Minor Dependent (NMD) – A young adult age eighteen (18) to twenty-one (21) who remains in foster care as a court dependent in Extended Foster Care.

25. Permanency Assessment – A component of the Resource Family Approval process which requires an applicant to meet standards that include, but are not limited to, preapproval training, psychosocial assessment, and any other activities that relate to a Resource Family’s ability to achieve permanency with a child or nonminor dependent.
26. Personally Identifiable Information (PII) – Information which can be used to distinguish or trace an individual’s identity, such as their name, date of birth, driver license, social security number, address, photo identification, identifying number/document/ and/or Client Index Number (CIN), alone or when combined with other personal or identifying information which is linked or linkable to a specific individual. Information about PII may be obtained by visiting <http://hss.sbcounty.gov/Privacy/>.
27. Pet Analysis – An assessment of all pets in the FFA home. The pet analysis should include information pertaining to where each animal primarily resides, history of the animal’s behavior, and plans to maintain the child or children’s safety around the animal(s).
28. Relative – An adult who is related to a child by blood, adoption, or affinity within the fifth degree of kinship, including stepparents, stepsiblings, and all relatives whose status is preceded by the words “great,” “great-great,” or “grand,” or the spouse of any of these persons even if the marriage was terminated by death or dissolution, as defined in Welfare and Institutions Code section 11400.
29. Resource Family – An individual or family that a County determines to have successfully met the application and assessment criteria necessary for providing care for a child or nonminor dependent who is under the jurisdiction of the juvenile court, or otherwise in the case of a county child welfare agency or probation department.
30. Resource Family Approval (RFA) or Approval – An applicant or Resource Family successfully meets the Home Environment Assessment and Permanency Assessment standards adopted pursuant to Welfare and Institutions Code Section 16519.5.
31. Resource Family Home – An approved resource home in which a caregiver provides out of home care for children in foster care. Resource Families include individuals, couples, and families. They may be related, have a familiar or mentoring relationship, or no previous relationship with the child. The Resource Family is approved to provide care on a temporary (foster care) and/or permanent (adoption and legal guardianship) basis and includes all types of caregivers in the child welfare and probation systems formerly known as foster parents, approved relatives or approved Non-Relative Extended Family Members.
32. Services – The required services described in this Contract.
33. Social Security Income (SSI) – A Federally funded program that pays monthly benefits to individuals who are low income, have limited assets, and are aged, blind, or disabled.
34. Written Directives – The State’s Written Directives that contain written processes, standards, and requirements issued by the California Department of Social Services to implement the Resource Family Approval Program. The written Directives can be found at: <http://www.childsworld.ca.gov/res/RFA>.

B. CONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITIES

Contractor shall:

1. Read, understand, and operate in full compliance with the following:
 - a. All required licenses, permits, notices, and certificates.
 - b. All Federal, State, and local laws, regulations, and ordinances.
 - c. All current Child Welfare Continuum of Care Reform mandates.
2. Accept foster youth and nonminor dependents referred by CFS twenty-four (24) hours per day, seven (7) days per week, including weekends and holidays.

3. Provide certified/approved resource families to care for the child's needs in accordance with applicable laws, regulations, and educational stability requirements.
4. Comply with all provisions within this Contract.
5. Notify CFS within twenty-four (24) hours by phone, followed by in writing, of significant changes in the child's health, behavior, or location, or concerning events such as, suspected physical or psychological abuse, death, injury, unusual incidents, absence of a child, placement issues, and school nonattendance, as outlined in Section 80061 of Title 22 regulations, Division 6.
6. Work with CFS to encourage the maintenance of the child/family relationship and reunification process as indicated in the Needs and Services Plan, in treatment planning and/or Child and Family Team Meetings (CFTM) whenever possible.
7. Support and partner with CFS in providing services and resources for children and families consistent with the Vision, Mission, and Principles of the Integrated Core Practice Model.
8. Use constructive alternative methods of discipline. Do not use corporal punishment; deprivation of meals, monetary allowances, visits from parents or home visits; threat of removal; or any degrading or humiliating punishment.
9. Respect and keep confidential information about the child and his/her family's private situation in accordance with the Human Services Privacy and Security requirements at <http://hss.sbcounty.gov/Privacy>.
10. Work with CFS to develop and submit to the CFS Social Worker a Needs and Services Plan that outlines an understanding of the responsibilities, objectives, and requirements of the agency regarding the care of the child within thirty (30) days of placement of the child. The Needs and Services Plan shall be updated at least every six (6) months.
11. Provide written progress reports to CFS designated staff at least every three (3) months (quarterly) or more frequently by mutual agreement.
12. Provide CFS a seven (7) day advance notice of intent to discharge or move a child between certified/approved homes. The FFA has the authority to move a child in the case of imminent risk to the child or family. The FFA shall notify CFS within twenty-four (24) hours of such move.
 - a. Exceptions to the seven (7) day advance notice would be: the child is physically or psychologically endangered; court orders removal; parents or guardians order removal (voluntary placement); a signed waiver is obtained from foster parents; removal is from an interim placement directly into an adoptive home.
13. Ensure FFA Social Worker visits each child at least three (3) times per calendar month, with at least one (1) of the visits occurring in private within the child's resource family home and provide documentation of these visits to CFS every month as visits are completed. If case plan would indicate less frequent contacts, the foster parent shall be informed. Nonminor dependents (NMD) shall be visited a minimum of once per month.
14. Provide State and Federal agencies access to records as provided for by State and Federal laws.
15. Notify CFS if a child receives any source of income, such as income from work, Supplemental Security Income, Social Security Administration, child support, etc. Notify CFS of any property a child obtains, including bank accounts. The County will verify the income/property.
16. Follow all requirements associated with the County's clothing allowance policies and procedures.
17. Provide the foster parents, within fourteen (14) days from the date of placement, all educational stability requirements, school of origin and travel plan, and knowledge of the background and needs of the child necessary for effective care. This information may include social work assessment, medical reports, education assessment, and identification of special needs.
18. Develop a plan for each child and share pertinent aspects with the foster parents.
19. Inform foster parents they may give the same consents on behalf of a child as the parent, except for those prohibitions provided in the Social Services Manual of Regulations.

20. Involve foster parents in future planning for a child in their care. Placements shall be reviewed within six (6) months.
21. Assist the foster child in his or her use of available foster care resources.
22. Assist in the maintenance of each child's constructive relationships with parents and other family members and involve (when appropriate) parents in future planning for the child.
23. Provide the resource family with a procedure for submitting a complaint and/or grievance.
24. Inform foster parents if a child has any tendencies toward dangerous behavior.
25. Provide a Medi-Cal card or other medical coverage at time of placement. Arrange for medical examination within thirty (30) days unless child has had such within past six (6) months and examination information is available.
26. Provide a clothing allowance as permitted to meet initial clothing needs of the child.
27. In cooperation with foster parents, arrange for visiting by parents or relatives on specified dates, as noted in the case plan.
28. Provide arrangements for school of origin travel as appropriate.
29. Provide assistance with emergencies.
30. Report to the CFS liaison, by telephone, any change in licensed capacity (i.e. expired or revoked) within twenty-four (24) hours of such change.
31. Include a pet analysis in the initial Home Study for each animal residing in or around the home. Complete the pet analysis within forty-eight (48) hours of the introduction of any new animal to the home and submit new pet analysis to the CFS Social Worker as an addendum to the Home Study within two (2) weeks of the addition of the new animal. The pet analysis must include, but may not be limited to, the following information for each animal:
 - a. Where the animal(s) primarily reside,
 - b. History of the animal's behavior, including around children, and
 - c. Plans to maintain the children or child's safety around the animal(s).
32. All major and minor safety incidents related to animals must be reported to the CFS Social Worker and the FFA liaison at Placement Resources Division (PRD) within one (1) business day.

C. GENERAL CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS

1. **Recitals** – The recitals set forth above are true and correct and incorporated herein by this reference.
2. **Contract Amendments** – Contractor agrees any alterations, variations, modifications, or waivers of the provisions of the Contract, shall be valid only when reduced to writing, executed and attached to the original Contract, and approved by the person(s) authorized to do so on behalf of Contractor and County.
3. **Contract Assignability** – Without the prior written consent of the County, the Contract is not assignable by Contractor either in whole or in part.
4. **Contract Exclusivity** – This is not an exclusive Contract. The County reserves the right to enter into a contract with other contractors for the same or similar services. The County does not guarantee or represent that the Contractor will be permitted to perform any minimum amount of work or receive compensation other than on a per order basis, under the terms of this Contract.
5. **Attorney's Fees and Costs** – If any legal action is instituted to enforce any party's rights hereunder, each party shall bear its own costs and attorney fees, regardless of who is the prevailing party. This paragraph shall not apply to those costs and attorney fees directly arising from a third-party legal action against a party hereto and payable under Insurance Requirements.

6. **Background Checks for Contractor Personnel** – Contractor shall ensure that its personnel (a) are authorized to work in the jurisdiction in which they are assigned to perform Services; (b) do not use legal or illegal substances in any manner which will impact their ability to provide Services to the County; and (c) are not otherwise disqualified from performing the Services under applicable law. If requested by the County and not in violation of applicable law, Contractor shall conduct a background check, at Contractor's sole expense, on all its personnel providing Services. If requested by the County, Contractor shall provide the results of the background check of each individual to the County. Such background check shall be in the form generally used by Contractor in its initial hiring of employees or contracting for contractors or, as applicable, during the employment-screening process but must, at a minimum, have been performed within the preceding 12-month period. Contractor personnel who do not meet the County's hiring criteria, in County's sole discretion, shall not be assigned to work on County property or Services, and County shall have the right, at its sole option, to refuse access to any Contract personnel to any County facility.

Contractor shall obtain from the Department of Justice (DOJ) records of all convictions involving any sex crimes, drug crimes, or crimes of violence of a person who is offered employment or volunteers for all positions in which he or she would have contact with a minor, the aged, the blind, the disabled or a domestic violence client, as provided for in Penal Code section 11105.3 prior to providing any services. This includes licensed personnel who are not able to provide documentation of prior DOJ clearance. A copy of a license from the State of California, which requires a DOJ clearance, is sufficient proof. The County must be immediately notified of any records showing a conviction. The County may instruct Contractor to take action to deny/terminate employment or terminate internship and/or volunteer services where the records show the person is unsuitable for employment, internship, or volunteer services.

In addition to the documentation of DOJ clearance, Contractor shall obtain clearance from the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and Child Abuse Central Index (CACI), and records of all convictions involving any sex crimes, drug crimes, or crimes of violence of a person who is offered employment or volunteers for all positions in which he or she would have contact with a minor, the aged, the blind, the disabled or a domestic violence client, prior to providing any services. The County must be immediately notified of any records showing a conviction. The County may instruct Contractor to take action to deny/terminate employment or terminate internship and/or volunteer services where the records show the person is unsuitable for employment, internship, or volunteer services.

Contractor shall notify the County of any board member, staff member, paid intern or volunteer who is knowingly or negligently employed who has been convicted of any crime of violence or of any sexual crime. Contractor shall investigate all incidents where an applicant, employee, intern or volunteer has been arrested and/or convicted for any crime listed in Penal Code Section 11105.3 and shall notify the County. In the County's discretion, the County may instruct Contractor to take action to either deny/terminate employment or terminate internship and/or volunteer services where the investigation shows that the underlying conduct renders the person unsuitable for employment, internship, or volunteer services.

Contractor shall immediately notify the County concerning the arrest and/or conviction, other than minor traffic offenses, of any paid employee, agent, consultant, intern, or volunteer staff, when such information becomes known to Contractor.

7. **Change of Address** – Contractor shall notify the County in writing, of any change in mailing address within ten (10) business days of the change.
8. **Choice of Law** – This Contract shall be governed by and construed according to the laws of the State of California.
9. **Compliance with County Policy** – In performing the Services and while at any County facilities, Contractor personnel (including subcontractors) shall (a) conduct themselves in a businesslike manner; (b) comply with the policies, procedures, and rules of the County regarding health and safety, and personal, professional and ethical conduct; (c) comply with the finance, accounting,

banking, Internet, security, and/or other applicable standards, policies, practices, processes, procedures, and controls of the County; and (d) abide by all laws applicable to the County facilities and the provision of the Services, and all amendments and modifications to each of the documents listed in subsections (b), (c), and (d) (collectively, "County Policies"). County Policies, and additions or modifications thereto, may be communicated orally or in writing to Contractor or Contractor personnel or may be made available to Contractor or Contractor personnel by conspicuous posting at a County facility, electronic posting, or other means generally used by County to disseminate such information to its employees or contractors. Contractor shall be responsible for the promulgation and distribution of County Policies to Contractor personnel to the extent necessary and appropriate.

County shall have the right to require Contractor's employees, agents, representatives and subcontractors to exhibit identification credentials issued by County in order to exercise any right of access under this Contract.

10. **Confidentiality** – Pursuant to the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) and the Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health (HITECH) Act, regulations have been promulgated governing the privacy of individually identifiable health information. Contractor acknowledges that it is a covered entity and subject to the requirements of HIPAA and HITECH, and their implementing regulations. Contractor agrees to fully comply with the terms of HIPAA and HITECH, and regulations promulgated thereunder, and to ensure any Subcontractors utilized to fulfill Services pursuant to this Contract comply with said provisions. Contractor further agrees to comply with the requirements of all other applicable federal and state laws that pertain to the protection of health information.

Contractor shall protect from unauthorized use or disclosure names and other identifying information concerning persons receiving Services pursuant to this Contract, except for statistical information not identifying any participant. Contractor shall not use or disclose any identifying information for any other purpose other than carrying out the Contractor's obligations under this Contract, except as may be otherwise required by law. This provision will remain in force even after the termination of the Contract.

Contractor shall ensure that all staff, volunteers and/or Subcontractors performing Services under this Contract comply with the terms and conditions as set forth in the Human Services Information Privacy and Security Requirements specified at <http://hss.sbcounty.gov/Privacy> prior to providing any Services. Contractor shall immediately notify the County of any suspected or actual breach of confidential information as further detailed in the requirements. These requirements specified at <http://hss.sbcounty.gov/Privacy> are hereby incorporated by this reference.

- a. Read, understand, and comply with the Privacy and Security Requirements Summary.
- b. Ensure employees, subcontractors, agents, volunteers, and interns who have access to Personally Identifiable Information (PII) complete the Privacy and Security Training and execute the training acknowledgement form and other training materials annually.
- c. Ensure employees, subcontractors, agents, volunteers, and interns who have access to PII sign the Confidentiality Statement annually.
- d. Report actual, suspected or potential breaches of PII immediately to the Human Services Privacy and Security Office via email at: HSPrivacySecurityOfficer@hss.sbcounty.gov

11. **Primary Point of Contact** – Contractor will designate an individual to serve as the primary point of contact for the Contract. Contractor or designee must respond to County inquiries within two (2) business days. Contractor shall not change the primary contact without written acknowledgement to the County. Contractor will also designate a back-up point of contact in the event the primary contact is not available.

12. **County Representative** – The CFS Director or his/her designee shall represent the County in all matters pertaining to the services to be rendered under this Contract, including termination and assignment of this Contract, and shall be the final authority in all matters pertaining to the Services/Scope of Work by Contractor. If this contract was initially approved by the San

Bernardino County Board of Supervisors, then the Board of Supervisors must approve all amendments to this Contract.

13. **Damage to County Property** – Contractor shall repair, or cause to be repaired, at its own cost, all damages to County vehicles, facilities, buildings or grounds caused by the willful or negligent acts of Contractor or its employees or agents. Such repairs shall be made immediately after Contractor becomes aware of such damage, but in no event later than thirty (30) days after the occurrence.

If the Contractor fails to make timely repairs, the County may make any necessary repairs. The Contractor, as determined by the County, shall repay all costs incurred by the County for such repairs, by cash payment upon demand, or County may deduct such costs from any amounts due to the Contractor from the County, as determined at the County's sole discretion.

14. **Debarment and Suspension** – Contractor agrees to comply with the applicable federal suspension and debarment regulations, including, but not limited to Title 48 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Chapter 1, Subchapter B, Part 9, Subpart 9.4 (48 C.F.R. Section 9.400 et seq.).

Contractor certifies that it and its principals and subcontractors:

- a. Are not presently disbarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any federal department or agency. (See the following United States General Services Administration's System for Award Management website <https://www.sam.gov>).
- b. Have not within a three (3) year period preceding this Contract been convicted of or had a judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public transaction or contract under a public transaction; or a violation of federal or state antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification, or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;
- c. Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in Section C, Paragraph 14, subparagraph b; and
- d. Have not within a three (3) year period preceding this Contract had one (1) or more public transactions (Federal, State or local) terminated for cause or default.

Contractor further certifies that if it or any of its subcontractors are business entities that must be registered with the California Secretary of State, they are registered and in good standing with the Secretary of State.

15. **System for Award Management** – Contractor shall not be identified as suspended or debarred on the federal System for Award Management's (SAM) excluded list (<https://www.sam.gov>). If at any time during the term of the Contract, the County determines Contractor is identified as either suspended or debarred on the SAM, Contractor shall be considered in material breach of the Contract, and the County may proceed under the Correction of Performance Deficiencies section of the Contract, including immediate termination of the Contract. If Contractor becomes aware, at any point during the term of the Contract, that it is identified as suspended or debarred on the SAM excluded list, Contractor must immediately inform County. Such inclusion will be considered a material breach of the Contract and be sufficient grounds for immediate termination.

16. **Drug and Alcohol Free Workplace** – In recognition of individual rights to work in a safe, healthful and productive work place, as a material condition of this Contract, the Contractor agrees that the Contractor and the Contractor's employees, while performing service for the County, on County property, or while using County equipment:

- a. Shall not be in any way impaired because of being under the influence of alcohol or an illegal or controlled substance.
- b. Shall not possess an open container of alcohol or consume alcohol or possess or be under the influence of an illegal or controlled substance.

- c. Shall not sell, offer, or provide alcohol or an illegal or controlled substance to another person, except where Contractor or Contractor's employee who, as part of the performance of normal job duties and responsibilities, prescribes or administers medically prescribed drugs.

The Contractor shall inform all employees that are performing service for the County on County property, or using County equipment, of the County's objective of a safe, healthful and productive work place and the prohibition of drug or alcohol use or impairment from same while performing such service for the County.

The County may terminate for default or breach of this Contract and any other Contract the Contractor has with the County, if the Contractor or Contractor's employees are determined by the County not to be in compliance with above.

- 17. **Duration of Terms** – This Contract, and all of its terms and conditions, shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of the heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and assigns of the respective parties, provided no such assignment is in violation of the provisions of this Contract.
- 18. **Reserved.**
- 19. **Environmental Requirements** – In accordance with County Policy 11-08, the County prefers to acquire and use products with higher levels of post-consumer recycled content. Environmentally preferable goods and materials must perform satisfactorily and be available at a reasonable price. The County requires Contractor to use recycled paper for any printed or photocopied material created as a result of this Contract. Contractor is also required to use both sides of paper sheets for reports submitted to the County whenever practicable.

To assist the County in meeting the reporting requirements of the California Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989 (AB 939), Contractor must be able to annually report the County's environmentally preferable purchases. Contractor must also be able to report on environmentally preferable goods and materials used in the provision of their service to the County, utilizing a County approved form.

EPA Regulations – If the amount available to Contractor under the Contract exceeds \$100,000, Contractor will agree to comply with the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. section 7401 et seq.); section 508 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. section 1251 et seq.); Executive Order 11738 [38 Fed. Reg. 25161 (Sept. 10, 1973)]; and Environmental Protection Agency regulations (40 C.F.R.).

State Energy Conservation Clause – Contractor shall observe the mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency in the State Energy Conservation Plan (California Code of Regulations, (CCR) title 20, section 1401 et seq.).

- 20. **Improper Influence** – Contractor shall make all reasonable efforts to ensure that no County officer or employee, whose position in the County enables him/her to influence any award of the Contract or any competing offer, shall have any direct or indirect financial interest resulting from the award of the Contract or shall have any relationship to the Contractor or officer or employee of the Contractor.
- 21. **Improper Consideration** – Contractor shall not offer (either directly or through an intermediary) any improper consideration such as, but not limited to cash, discounts, service, the provision of travel or entertainment, or any items of value to any officer, employee or agent of the County in an attempt to secure favorable treatment regarding this Contract.

The County, by written notice, may immediately terminate this Contract if it determines that any improper consideration as described in the preceding paragraph was offered to any officer, employee or agent of the County with respect to the proposal and award process. This prohibition shall apply to any amendment, extension or evaluation process once a contract has been awarded.

Contractor shall immediately report any attempt by a County officer, employee or agent to solicit (either directly or through an intermediary) improper consideration from Contractor. The report shall be made to the supervisor or manager charged with supervision of the employee or the

County Administrative Office. In the event of a termination under this provision, the County is entitled to pursue any available legal remedies.

22. **Informal Dispute Resolution** – In the event the County determines that service is unsatisfactory, or in the event of any other dispute, claim, question or disagreement arising from or relating to this Contract or breach thereof, the parties hereto shall use their best efforts to settle the dispute, claim, question or disagreement. To this effect, they shall consult and negotiate with each other in good faith and, recognizing their mutual interests, attempt to reach a just and equitable solution satisfactory to both parties.
23. **Legality and Severability** – The parties' actions under the Contract shall comply with all applicable laws, rules, regulations, court orders and governmental agency orders. The provisions of this Contract are specifically made severable. If a provision of the Contract is terminated or held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions shall remain in full effect.
24. **Licenses, Permits and/or Certifications** – Contractor shall ensure that it has all necessary licenses, permits and/or certifications required by federal, state, County, and municipal laws, ordinances, rules, and regulations. The Contractor shall maintain these licenses, permits and/or certifications in effect for the duration of this Contract. Contractor will notify County immediately of loss or suspension of any such licenses, permits and/or certifications. Failure to maintain a required license, permit and/or certification may result in immediate termination of this Contract.
25. **Material Misstatement/Misrepresentation** – If during the course of the administration of this Contract, the County determines that Contractor has made a material misstatement or misrepresentation or that materially inaccurate information has been provided to the County, this Contract may be immediately terminated. If this Contract is terminated according to this provision, the County is entitled to pursue any available legal remedies.
26. **Mutual Covenants** – The parties to this Contract mutually covenant to perform all of their obligations hereunder, to exercise all discretion and rights granted hereunder, and to give all consents in a reasonable manner consistent with the standards of "good faith" and "fair dealing".
27. **Nondisclosure** – Contractor shall protect from unauthorized use or disclosure names and other identifying information concerning persons receiving Services pursuant to this Contract, except for statistical information not identifying any participant. Contractor shall not use or disclose any identifying information for any other purpose other than carrying out the Contractor's obligations under this Contract, except as may be otherwise required by law. This provision will remain in force even after the termination of the Contract.

Contractor shall hold as confidential and use reasonable care to prevent unauthorized access by, storage, disclosure, publication, dissemination to and/or use by third parties of, confidential information that is either: (1) provided by the County to Contractor or an agent of Contractor or otherwise made available to Contractor or Contractor's agent in connection with this Contract; or, (2) acquired, obtained, or learned by Contractor or an agent of Contractor in the performance of this Contract. For purposes of this provision, confidential information means any data, files, software, information or materials in oral, electronic, tangible or intangible form and however stored, compiled or memorialize and includes, but is not limited to, technology infrastructure, architecture, financial data, trade secrets, equipment specifications, user lists, passwords, research data, and technology data.
28. **Notice of Delays** – Except as otherwise provided herein, when either party has knowledge that any actual or potential situation is delaying or threatens to delay the timely performance of this Contract, that party shall, within twenty-four (24) hours, give notice thereof, including all relevant information with respect thereto, to the other party.
29. **Ownership of Documents** – All documents, data, products, graphics, computer programs and reports prepared by Contractor pursuant to the Contract shall be considered property of the County upon payment for services (and product, if applicable). All such items shall be delivered

to County at the completion of work under the Contract. Unless otherwise directed by County, Contractor may retain copies of such items.

30. **Reserved.**
31. **Air, Water Pollution Control, Safety and Health** – Contractor shall comply with all air pollution control, water pollution, safety and health ordinances and statutes, including fire clearances, which apply to the work performed pursuant to this Contract.
32. **Records** – Contractor shall maintain all records and books pertaining to the delivery of services under this Contract and demonstrate accountability for contract performance. All records shall be complete and current and comply with all Contract requirements. Failure to maintain acceptable records shall be considered grounds for withholding of payments for invoices submitted and/or termination of the Contract.

All records relating to the Contractor's personnel, consultants, subcontractors, Services/Scope of Work and expenses pertaining to this Contract shall be kept in a generally acceptable accounting format. Records should include primary source documents. Fiscal records shall be kept in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles and must account for all funds, tangible assets, revenue and expenditures. Fiscal records must comply with the appropriate Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circulars, which state the administrative requirements, cost principles and other standards for accountancy. Please refer to http://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-bin/text-idx?tpl=/ecfrbrowse/Title02/2cfr200_main_02.tpl for further information.

Contractors expending \$750,000 or more in federal funds annually shall have a single audit or program specific audit performed. A copy of the audit shall be maintained as part of the program's fiscal records.

All records shall be complete and current and comply with all Contract requirements. Failure to maintain acceptable records per the preceding requirements shall be considered grounds for withholding payments for billings submitted and for termination of the Contract.

33. **Relationship of the Parties** – Nothing contained in this Contract shall be construed as creating a joint venture, partnership, or employment arrangement between the Parties hereto, nor shall either Party have the right, power or authority to create an obligation or duty, expressed or implied, on behalf of the other Party hereto.
34. **Release of Information** – No news releases, advertisements, public announcements or photographs arising out of the Contract or Contractor's relationship with County may be made or used without prior written approval of the CFS Director or their designee and shall include County approved branding.
35. **Representation of the County** – In the performance of this Contract, Contractor, its agents, and employees, shall act in an independent capacity and not as officers, employees, or agents of San Bernardino County.
36. **Strict Performance** – Failure by a party to insist upon the strict performance of any of the provisions of this Contract by the other party, or the failure by a party to exercise its rights upon the default of the other party, shall not constitute a waiver of such party's right to insist and demand strict compliance by the other party with the terms of this Contract thereafter.
37. **Subcontracting** – Contractor agrees not to enter into any subcontracting contracts for work contemplated under the Contract without first obtaining written approval from the County and the Director of CFS through the HS Contracts Unit. Any subcontractor shall be subject to the same terms and conditions as Contractor. Contractor shall be fully responsible for the performance and payments of any subcontractor's contract.

Contractor shall obtain County's written consent, which County may withhold in its sole discretion, before entering into contracts with or otherwise engaging any subcontractors who may supply any part of the Services to County. At County's request, Contractor shall provide information regarding the subcontractor's qualifications and a listing of a subcontractor's key personnel including, if requested by the County, resumes of proposed subcontractor personnel. Contractor

shall remain directly responsible to County for its subcontractors. All approved subcontractors shall be subject to the provisions of this Contract applicable to Contractor Personnel, including removal pursuant to Paragraph 6 of this Section C.

For any subcontractor, Contractor shall:

- a. Be responsible for subcontractor compliance with the Contract and the subcontract terms and conditions; and
- b. Ensure that the subcontractor follows County's reporting formats and procedures as specified by County.
- c. Include in the subcontractor's subcontract substantially similar terms as are provided in Sections B. Contractor Responsibilities, C. General Contract Requirements and H. Insurance Requirements.

Upon expiration or termination of this Contract for any reason, County will have the right to enter into direct contracts with any of the subcontractors. Contractor agrees that its arrangements with subcontractors will not prohibit or restrict such subcontractors from entering into direct contracts with County.

38. **Subpoena** – In the event that a subpoena or other legal process commenced by a third party in any way concerning the Goods or Services provided under this Contract is served upon Contractor or County, such party agrees to notify the other party in the most expeditious fashion possible following receipt of such subpoena or other legal process. Contractor and County further agree to cooperate with the other party in any lawful effort by such other party to contest the legal validity of such subpoena or other legal process commenced by a third party as may be reasonably required and at the expense of the party to whom the legal process is directed, except as otherwise provided herein in connection with defense obligations by Contractor for County.
39. **Termination for Convenience** – The County reserves the right to terminate the Contract for its convenience, with or without cause, with a thirty (30) day written notice of termination. Such termination may include all or part of the services described herein. Upon such termination, payment will be made to the Contractor for services rendered and expenses reasonably incurred prior to the effective date of termination. Upon receipt of termination notice Contractor shall promptly discontinue services unless the notice directs otherwise. Contractor shall deliver promptly to County and transfer title (if necessary) all completed work, and work in progress, including drafts, documents, plans, forms, data, products, graphics, computer programs and reports.
40. **Time of the Essence** – Time is of the essence in performance of this Contract and of each of its provisions.
41. **Venue** – The parties acknowledge and agree that this Contract was entered into and intended to be performed in San Bernardino County, California. The parties agree that the venue of any action or claim brought by any party to this Contract will be the Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino, San Bernardino District. Each party hereby waives any law or rule of the court, which would allow them to request or demand a change of venue. If any action or claim concerning this Contract is brought by any third-party and filed in another venue, the parties hereto agree to use their best efforts to obtain a change of venue to the Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino, San Bernardino District.
42. **Conflict of Interest** – Contractor shall make all reasonable efforts to ensure that no conflict of interest exists between its officers, employees, or subcontractors and the County. Contractor shall make a reasonable effort to prevent employees, Contractor, or members of governing bodies from using their positions for purposes that are, or give the appearance of being, motivated by a desire for private gain for themselves or others, such as those with whom they have family business, or other ties. Officers, employees, and agents of cities, counties, districts, and other local agencies are subject to applicable conflict of interest codes and state law. In the event the County determines a conflict of interest situation exists, any increase in costs, associated with the conflict of interest situation, may be disallowed by the County and such conflict may constitute

grounds for termination of the Contract. This provision shall not be construed to prohibit employment of persons with whom Contractor's officers, employees, or agents have family, business, or other ties so long as the employment of such persons does not result in increased costs over those associated with the employment of any other equally qualified applicant.

Contractor's duties and services under this Contract shall not include preparing or assisting the County with any portion of the County's preparation of a request for proposals, request for qualifications, or any other solicitation regarding a subsequent or additional contract with the County. The County entering this Contract shall at all times retain responsibility for public contracting, including with respect to any subsequent phase of this project. Contractor's participation in the planning, discussions, or drawing of project plans or specifications shall be limited to conceptual, preliminary, or initial plans or specifications. Contractor shall cooperate with the County to ensure that all bidders for a subsequent contract on any subsequent phase of this project have access to the same information, including all conceptual, preliminary, or initial plans or specifications prepared by Contractor pursuant to this Contract.

43. **Former County Administrative Officials** – Contractor agrees to provide, or has already provided information on former San Bernardino County administrative officials (as defined below) who are employed by or represent Contractor. The information provided includes a list of former County administrative officials who terminated County employment within the last five years and who are now officers, principals, partners, associates or members of the business. The information also includes the employment with or representation of Contractor. For purposes of this provision, "County administrative official" is defined as a member of the Board of Supervisors or such officer's staff, County Executive Officer or member of such officer's staff, County department or group head, assistant department or group head, or any employee in the Exempt Group, Management Unit or Safety Management Unit.
44. **Disclosure of Criminal and Civil Procedures** – The County reserves the right to request the information described herein from the Contractor. Failure to provide the information may result in a termination of the Contract. The County also reserves the right to obtain the requested information by way of a background check performed by an investigative firm. The Contractor also may be requested to provide information to clarify initial responses. Negative information discovered may result in Contract termination.

Contractor is required to disclose whether the firm, or any of its partners, principals, members, associates or key employees (as that term is defined herein), within the last ten (10) years, has been indicted on or had charges brought against it or them (if still pending) or convicted of any crime or offense arising directly or indirectly from the conduct of the firm's business, or whether the firm, or any of its partners, principals, members, associates or key employees, has within the last ten (10) years, been indicted on or had charges brought against it or them (if still pending) or convicted of any crime or offense involving financial misconduct or fraud. If the response is affirmative, the Contractor will be asked to describe any such indictments or charges (and the status thereof), convictions and the surrounding circumstances in detail.

In addition, the Contractor is required to disclose whether the firm, or any of its partners, principals, members, associates or key employees, within the last ten (10) years, has been the subject of legal proceedings as defined herein arising directly from the provision of services by the firm or those individuals. "Legal proceedings" means any civil actions filed in a court of competent jurisdiction, or any matters filed by an administrative or regulatory body with jurisdiction over the firm or the individuals. If the response is affirmative, the Contractor will be asked to describe any such legal proceedings (and the status and disposition thereof) and the surrounding circumstances in detail.

For purposes of this provision "key employees" includes any individuals providing direct service to the County. "Key employees" do not include clerical personnel providing service at the firm's offices or locations.

45. **Copyright** – County shall have a royalty free, nonexclusive and irrevocable license to publish, disclose, copy, translate, and otherwise use, copyright or patent, now and hereafter, all reports,

studies, information, data, statistics, forms, designs, plans, procedures, systems, and any other materials or properties developed under this Contract including those covered by copyright, and reserves the right to authorize others to use or reproduce such material. All such materials developed under the terms of this Contract shall acknowledge San Bernardino County as the funding agency and Contractor as the creator of the publication. No such materials, or properties produced in whole or in part under this Contract shall be subject to private use, copyright or patent right by Contractor in the United States or in any other country without the express written consent of County. Copies of all educational and training materials, curricula, audio/visual aids, printer material, and periodicals, assembled pursuant to this Contract must be filed with the County prior to publication.

46. **Artwork, Proofs and Negatives** – All artwork, proofs, and/or negatives in either print or digital format for anything produced under the terms of this Contract are the property of the County. These items must be returned to the County within ten (10) days, upon written notification to the Contractor. In the event of a failure to return the documents, the County is entitled to pursue any available legal remedies. In addition, the Contractor will be barred from all future solicitations, for a period of at least six (6) months.
47. **Iran Contracting Act** – IRAN CONTRACTING ACT OF 2010, Public Contract Code sections 2200 et seq. (Applicable for all Contracts of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) or more). In accordance with Public Contract Code section 2204(a), the Contractor certifies that at the time the Contract is signed, the Contractor signing the Contract is not identified on a list created pursuant to subdivision (b) of Public Contract Code section 2203 as a person (as defined in Public Contract Code section 2202(e)) engaging in investment activities in Iran described in subdivision (a) of Public Contract Code section 2202.5, or as a person described in subdivision (b) of Public Contract Code section 2202.5, as applicable.

Contractors are cautioned that making a false certification may subject the Contractor to civil penalties, termination of an existing contract, and ineligibility to bid on a contract for a period of three (3) years in accordance with Public Contract Code section 2205.

48. **Reserved.**
49. **California Consumer Privacy Act** – To the extent applicable, if Contractor is a business that collects the personal information of a consumer(s) in performing Services pursuant to this Contract, Contractor must comply with the provisions of the California Consumer Privacy Act (CCPA). (California Civil Code sections 1798.100, et seq.). For purposes of this provision, “business,” “consumer,” and “personal information” shall have the same meanings as set forth at California Civil Code section 1798.140. Contractor must contact the County immediately upon receipt of any request by a consumer submitted pursuant to the CCPA that requires any action on the part of the County, including but not limited to, providing a list of disclosures or deleting personal information. Contractor must not sell, market or otherwise disclose personal information of a consumer provided by the County unless specifically authorized pursuant to terms of this Contract. Contractor must immediately provide to the County any notice provided by a consumer to Contractor pursuant to California Civil Code section 1798.150(b) alleging a violation of the CCPA that involves personal information received or maintained pursuant to this Contract. Contractor must immediately notify the County if it receives a notice of violation from the California Attorney General pursuant to California Civil Code section 1798.155(b).
50. **Vacancies** – Contractor shall notify County of any continuing vacancies and any positions that become vacant during the term of this Contract that will result in reduction of services to be provided under this Contract. Upon notice of vacancies, the Contractor shall apprise County of the steps being taken to provide the services and to fill the position as expeditiously as possible. Vacancies and associated problems shall be reported to County on each periodically required report for the duration of said vacancies and/or problems.
51. **Complaint and Grievance Procedure** – Contractor shall provide a system, approved by the County, through which recipients of service shall have the opportunity to express and have

considered their views and complaints regarding the delivery of services. The procedure must be in writing and posted in clear view of all recipients.

Contractor will ensure that staff are knowledgeable on the Complaint and Grievance Procedure: San Bernardino County Human Services Complaint and Grievance Procedure (Attachment A) and ensure that any complaints by recipients are referred to the County in accordance with the procedure.

52. **Contractor Board of Directors' Meetings** – Contractor shall notify the County of all upcoming meetings of the Board of Directors or other governing party and shall keep the County apprised of any and all actions taken by its Board of Directors which may impact the Contract. Board of Directors' minutes shall be submitted to the County upon request. Further, a County representative shall have the option of attending Board meetings during the term of this Contract.
53. **Child Abuse Reporting** – Contractor shall ensure that all known or suspected instances of child abuse or neglect are reported to the appropriate law enforcement agency or to the appropriate Child Protective Services agency. This responsibility shall include:
 - a. Assurance that all employees, agents, consultants or volunteers who perform services under this Contract and are mandated by Penal Code Sections 11164 et seq. to report child abuse or neglect, sign a statement, upon the commencement of their employment, acknowledging their reporting requirements and their compliance with them.
 - b. Development and implementation of procedures for employees, agents, consultants, or volunteers who are not subject to the mandatory reporting laws for child abuse to report any observed or suspected incidents of child abuse to a mandated reporting party, within the program, who will ensure that the incident is reported to the appropriate agency.
 - c. Provision for arrangement of training in child abuse reporting laws (Penal Code section 11164 et seq.) for all employees, agents, consultants, and volunteers, or verification that such persons have received training in the law within thirty (30) days of employment/volunteer activity.
54. **Reserved.**
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56. **Pro-Children Act of 1994** – Contractor will comply with the Environmental Tobacco Smoke/Pro-Children Act of 1994 (20 U.S.C. 6081 et seq.).
57. **Americans with Disabilities Act** – Contractor shall comply with all applicable provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).
58. **Public Accessibility** – Contractor shall ensure that Services provided are accessible by public transportation.
59. **Reserved.**
60. **211 Registration** – Contractor shall register with 2-1-1 San Bernardino County Inland Empire United Way within thirty (30) days of the Contract effective date and follow necessary procedures to be included in the 2-1-1 database. The Contractor shall notify the 2-1-1 San Bernardino County Inland Empire United Way of any changes in program services, location or contact information within ten (10) days of any change. Services performed as a result of being included in the 2-1-1 database, are separate and apart from the services being performed under this Contract and payment for such services will not be the responsibility of the County.
61. **Ownership Tools** – The State and County shall have all ownership rights in software or modifications thereof and associated documentation designed, developed or installed with federal financial participation. The Federal Government (Department of Health and Human Services) reserves a royalty-free, nonexclusive, and irrevocable license to reproduce, publish or otherwise use and to authorize others to use for Federal Government purposes, such software modification, and documentation. Proprietary software packages that are sold or leased to the general public are not subject to the ownership provisions.

62. **Force Majeure** – Neither party shall be liable for failure or delay to perform obligations under this Contract, which have become practicably impossible because of circumstances beyond the reasonable control of the applicable party. Such circumstances include without limitation, natural disasters or acts of God; acts of terrorism; labor disputes or stoppages; war; government acts or orders; epidemics, pandemics or outbreak of communicable disease; quarantines; national or regional emergencies; or any other cause, whether similar in kind to the foregoing or otherwise, beyond the party's reasonable control. Written notice of a party's failure or delay in performance due to force majeure must be given to the other party no later than thirty (30) days following the force majeure event commencing, which notice shall describe the force majeure event and the actions taken to minimize the impact thereof. All delivery dates under this Contract affected by force majeure shall be tolled for the duration of such force majeure. The parties hereby agree, when feasible, not to cancel but reschedule the pertinent obligations and deliverables for mutually agreed dates as soon as practicable after the force majeure condition ceases to exist.
63. **Order of Precedence** – In the event of any inconsistency between the terms of this Contract and any forms, attachments, statements of work (SOW), or specifications which may be incorporated into this Contract, the following order of precedence shall apply:
- a. This Contract;
 - b. Attachments to this Contract, as indicated herein; and
 - c. Price lists, SOWs, and other documents attached hereto or incorporated herein.
64. **Equipment** – County discourages the purchase of equipment with funds received under this Contract. All equipment, materials, supplies or property of any kind (including publications and copyrights, etc.) which have a single unit cost of five hundred dollars (\$500) or more, including tax, purchased with funds received under the terms of this Contract and not fully consumed in one (1) year shall be the property of County and shall be subject to the provisions of this paragraph. The disposition of equipment or property of any kind shall be determined by County upon Contract termination.
65. **Supersedes Prior Agreements** – This Contract supersedes and replaces all previous contracts, agreements, and understandings, oral, written, and implied, between the County and Contractor hereto with respect to the subject matter hereof. All such prior contracts, agreements and understandings are hereby terminated and deemed of no further force or effect.
66. **Executive Order N-6-22 Russian Sanctions** – On March 4, 2022, Governor Gavin Newsom issued Executive Order N-6-22 (the EO) regarding Economic Sanctions against Russia and Russian entities and individuals. "Economic Sanctions" refers to sanctions imposed by the U.S. government in response to Russia's actions in Ukraine (<https://home.treasury.gov/policy-issues/financial-sanctions/sanctions-programs-and-country-information/ukraine-russia-related-sanctions>), as well as any sanctions imposed under state law (<https://www.dgs.ca.gov/OLS/Ukraine-Russia>). The EO directs state agencies and their contractors (including by agreement or receipt of a grant) to terminate contracts with, and to refrain from entering any new contracts with, individuals or entities that are determined to be a target of Economic Sanctions. Accordingly, should it be determined that Contractor is a target of Economic Sanctions or is conducting prohibited transactions with sanctioned individuals or entities, that shall be grounds for termination of this agreement. Contractor shall be provided advance written notice of such termination, allowing Contractor at least 30 calendar days to provide a written response. Termination shall be at the sole discretion of the County.
67. **Reserved.**

D. TERM OF CONTRACT

1. This Contract is effective upon execution and expires June 30, 2029 but may be terminated earlier in accordance with provisions of this Contract.
2. The County may terminate the Contract immediately if the funds under Section G are not available to the County, and under the provisions of Section J, Paragraph 3, Item e, of the Contract, or as otherwise provided in this Contract. In addition, the Contract may be terminated without cause

by the County by serving a written notice to the Contractor thirty (30) days in advance of termination. The Assistant Executive Officer is authorized to exercise the County's rights with respect to any termination of this Contract.

3. Contractor shall only be reimbursed for costs and uncancelable obligations incurred prior to the date of termination. Contractor shall not be reimbursed for costs incurred after the date of termination.
4. Upon receipt of termination notice Contractor shall promptly discontinue services unless the notice directs otherwise. Contractor shall deliver promptly to County and transfer title (if necessary) all completed work, and work in progress, including drafts, documents, plans, forms, data, products, graphics, computer programs and reports.

E. COUNTY RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Provide the FFA with known background and needs of the children placed. This information shall include, but is not limited to, the social work assessment, medical reports, educational assessments, psychiatric/psychological evaluations, and identification of special needs. All information shall be made available to the FFA within fourteen (14) days from the date of placement.
2. Inform the FFA, before placement, of a child's behaviors and proclivities that might be harmful to others (including pets) in the home, school, or neighborhood.
3. Work with the FFA in the development and progress of a Needs and Services Plan. CFS will notify and invite the FFA to participate in CFTM to discuss each child's needs and services plan.
4. Work together with the FFA to develop and maintain positive relationships with the child's parents (or Guardians) and other family members, and cooperate with the reunification process, e.g., provides written information regarding a child's medical and transportation needs.
5. Maintain contact with the child monthly or as specified in the child's approved case plan.
6. Continue to authorize payment for the child's care as long as the child remains in placement, or in the absence of the child, the placing agency asks the FFA to retain open placement.
7. Provide a medical card or other medical coverage and a medical consent form signed by the child's parent legal guardian, or court at the time of placement.
8. Inform the FFA of the clothing allowance policy and provide the funding consistent with those policies or any revised policies.
9. Pay for medical costs incurred prior to the establishment of Medi-Cal eligibility.
10. Verify and remit/reconcile any underpayments within forty-five (45) days of FFA notifications of such underpayments.
11. Notify the FFA within twelve (12) months of suspected overpayments, in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.
12. Provide for arrangements for school of origin travel as appropriate.
13. Provide a contact telephone number for emergencies and after business hours.
14. Provide an FFA liaison.

F. MUTUAL RESPONSIBILITIES

CFS and FFA shall:

1. Establish mutually satisfactory methods for the exchange of information as may be necessary in order that each party may perform its duties and functions under this Contract and appropriate procedures to ensure all information is safeguarded from improper disclosure in accordance with applicable State and Federal laws and regulations.

2. Establish mutually satisfactory methods for problem resolution at the lowest possible level as the optimum, with a procedure to mobilize problem resolution up through CFS' and FFA's mutual chain of command, as deemed necessary.
3. Develop and implement procedures and forms necessary to administer and document program referral, participation, compliance, and effectiveness.

G. FISCAL PROVISIONS

Placement cost shall be in accordance with Community Care Licensing Rates established for each specific placement type and Aid to Families with Dependent Children-Foster Care eligibility guidelines.

H. INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

1. **Reserved**
2. **Reserved**
3. **Reserved**
4. **Policies Primary and Non-Contributory** – All policies required herein are to be primary and non-contributory with any insurance or self-insurance programs carried or administered by the County.
5. **Severability of Interests** – The Contractor agrees to ensure that coverage provided to meet these requirements is applicable separately to each insured and there will be no cross liability exclusions that preclude coverage for suits between the Contractor and the County or between the County and any other insured or additional insured under the policy.
6. **Proof of Coverage** – The Contractor shall furnish Certificates of Insurance to the County Department administering the Contract evidencing the insurance coverage at the time the Contract is executed, as required, shall be provided prior to the commencement of performance of services hereunder, which certificates shall provide that such insurance shall not be terminated or expire without thirty (30) days written notice to the Department, and Contractor shall maintain such insurance from the time Contractor commences performance of services hereunder until the completion of such services. Within fifteen (15) days of the commencement of this contract, the Contractor shall furnish a copy of the Declaration page for all applicable policies and will provide complete certified copies of the policies immediately upon request.
7. **Acceptability of Insurance Carrier** – Unless otherwise approved by Risk Management, insurance shall be written by insurers authorized to do business in the State of California and with a minimum "Best" Insurance Guide rating of "A- VII".
8. **Deductibles and Self-Insured Retention** – Any and all deductibles or self-insured retentions in excess of \$10,000 shall be declared to and approved by Risk Management.
9. **Failure to Procure Coverage** – In the event that any policy of insurance required under this Contract does not comply with the requirements, is not procured, or is canceled and not replaced, the County has the right but not the obligation or duty to cancel the Contract or obtain insurance if it deems necessary and any premiums paid by the County will be promptly reimbursed by the Contractor or County payments to the Contractor will be reduced to pay for County purchased insurance.
10. **Insurance Review** – Insurance requirements are subject to periodic review by the County. The Director of Risk Management or designee is authorized, but not required, to reduce, waive or suspend any insurance requirements whenever Risk Management determines that any of the required insurance is not available, is unreasonably priced, or is not needed to protect the interests of the County. In addition, if the Department of Risk Management determines that heretofore unreasonably priced or unavailable types of insurance coverage or coverage limits become reasonably priced or available, the Director of Risk Management or designee is authorized, but not required, to change the above insurance requirements to require additional types of insurance coverage or higher coverage limits, provided that any such change is

reasonable in light of past claims against the County, inflation, or any other item reasonably related to the County's risk.

Any change requiring additional types of insurance coverage or higher coverage limits must be made by amendment to this contract. Contractor agrees to execute any such amendment within thirty (30) days of receipt.

Any failure, actual or alleged, on the part of the County to monitor or enforce compliance with any of the insurance requirements will not be deemed as a waiver of any rights on the part of the County.

11. **Insurance Specifications** – The Contractor agrees to provide insurance set forth in accordance with the requirements herein. If the Contractor uses existing coverage to comply with these requirements and that coverage does not meet the specified requirements, the Contractor agrees to amend, supplement or endorse the existing coverage to do so.

The Contractor shall secure and maintain throughout the contract term the following types of insurance with limits as shown:

- a. Workers' Compensation/Employer's Liability – A program of Workers' Compensation insurance or a state-approved, self-insurance program in an amount and form to meet all applicable requirements of the Labor Code of the State of California, including Employer's Liability with \$250,000 limits covering all persons including volunteers providing services on behalf of the Contractor and all risks to such persons under this contract.

If Contractor has no employees, it may certify or warrant to the County that it does not currently have any employees or individuals who are defined as "employees" under the Labor Code and the requirement for Workers' Compensation coverage will be waived by the County's Director of Risk Management.

With respect to Contractors that are non-profit corporations organized under California or Federal law, volunteers for such entities are required to be covered by Workers' Compensation insurance.

- b. Commercial/General Liability Insurance – The Contractor shall carry General Liability Insurance covering all operations performed by or on behalf of the Contractor providing coverage for bodily injury and property damage with a combined single limit of not less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000), per occurrence. The policy coverage shall include:

- 1) Premises operations and mobile equipment.
- 2) Products and completed operations.
- 3) Broad form property damage (including completed operations).
- 4) Explosion, collapse, and underground hazards.
- 5) Personal injury.
- 6) Contractual liability.
- 7) \$2,000,000 general aggregate limit.

Notwithstanding the above, the County will allow for sublimit of coverage with respect to losses, damages and/or liability arising from a foster child's use, intentional or otherwise, of a body of water that is on or abutting property owned, leased, controlled, or occupied by the child's foster parent(s). Such a sublimit will provide at least \$250,000 aggregate limit.

- c. Automobile Liability Insurance – Primary insurance coverage shall be written on ISO Business Auto coverage form for all owned, hired, and non-owned automobiles or symbol 1 (any auto). The policy shall have a combined single limit of not less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000) for bodily injury and property damage, per occurrence.

If the Contractor is transporting one (1) or more non-employee passengers in performance of contract services, the automobile liability policy shall have a combined single limit of two million dollars (\$2,000,000) for bodily injury and property damage per occurrence.

If the Contractor owns no autos, a non-owned auto endorsement to the General Liability policy described above is acceptable.

- d. **Umbrella Liability Insurance** – An umbrella (over primary) or excess policy may be used to comply with limits or other primary coverage requirements. When used, the umbrella policy shall apply to bodily injury/property damage, personal injury/advertising injury and shall include a “dropdown” provision providing primary coverage for any liability not covered by the primary policy. The coverage shall also apply to automobile liability.
- e. **Professional Liability** – Professional Liability Insurance with limits of not less than one million (\$1,000,000) per claim and two million (\$2,000,000) aggregate limits

or

Errors and Omissions Liability Insurance – Errors and Omissions Liability Insurance with limits of not less than one million (\$1,000,000) and two million (\$2,000,000) aggregate limits

or

Directors and Officers Insurance coverage with limits of not less than one million (\$1,000,000) shall be required for Contracts with charter labor committees or other not for profit organizations advising or acting on behalf of the County.

If insurance coverage is provided on a “claims made” policy, the “retroactive date” shall be shown and must be before the date of the start of the Contract work. The claims made insurance shall be maintained or “tail” coverage provided for a minimum of five (5) years after contract completion.

- f. **Cyber Liability Insurance** – Cyber Liability Insurance with limits of no less than \$1,000,000 for each occurrence or event with an annual aggregate of \$2,000,000 covering privacy violations, information theft, damage to or destruction of electronic information, intentional and/or unintentional release of private information, alteration of electronic information, extortion, and network security. The policy shall protect the involved County entities and cover breach response cost as well as regulatory fines and penalties.
- g. **Abuse/Molestation Insurance** – Contractor shall have abuse or molestation insurance providing coverage for all employees for the actual or threatened abuse or molestation by anyone of any person in the care, custody, or control of any insured, including negligent employment, investigation, and supervision. The policy shall provide coverage for both defense and indemnity with liability limits of not less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000) with a two million dollars (\$2,000,000) aggregate limit.

I. RIGHT TO MONITOR AND AUDIT

1. The County, State and Federal government shall have absolute right to review and audit all records, books, papers, documents, corporate minutes, and other pertinent items as requested, and shall have absolute right to monitor the performance of Contractor in the delivery of services provided under this Contract. Contractor shall give full cooperation, in any auditing or monitoring conducted. Contractor shall cooperate with the County in the implementation, monitoring, and evaluation of this Contract and comply with any and all reporting requirements established by the County.
2. All records pertaining to services delivered and all fiscal, statistical and management books and records shall be available for examination and audit by County representatives for a period of three years after final payment under this Contract or until all pending County, state and federal audits are completed, whichever is later. Records of the Contractor which do not pertain to the services under this Contract may be subject to review or audit unless provided in this or another Contract. Technical program data shall be retained locally and made available upon the County's

reasonable advance written notice or turned over to County. If said records are not made available at the scheduled monitoring visit, Contractor may, at County's option, be required to reimburse County for expenses incurred due to required rescheduling of monitoring visit(s). Such reimbursement will not exceed \$50 per hour (including travel time) and may be deducted from the following month's claim for reimbursement.

3. Contractor shall cooperate with County in the implementation, monitoring and evaluation of this Contract and comply with any and all reporting requirements established by this Contract.
4. Contractor shall provide all reasonable facilities and assistance for the safety and convenience of County's representatives in the performance of their duties. All inspections and evaluations shall be performed in such a manner as will not unduly delay the work of the Contractor.
5. Upon County request, Contractor shall hire a licensed Certified Public Accountant, approved by the County, who shall prepare and file with County, within sixty (60) days after the termination of the Contract, a certified fiscal audit of related expenditures during the term of the Contract and a program compliance audit.
6. Pursuant to Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) – Title 2 CFR 200.501, contractors expending \$750,000 or more in federal funds within the Contractor's fiscal year must have a single audit or program-specific audit performed. A copy of the audit performed in accordance with Title 2 CFR 200.501 shall be submitted to the County within thirty (30) days of completion, but no later than nine (9) months following the end of the Contractor's fiscal year. Please refer to http://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-bin/text-idx?node=se2.1.200_1501&rgn=dv8 for further information.
7. The following closely related programs identified by the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number are to be considered as an "Other cluster" for purposes of determining major programs or whether a program specific audit may be elected. The Contractor shall communicate this information to the independent auditor conducting the organization's single audit.

US Department of Health and Human Services:
 Number: 93.658 Foster Care Title IV-E

8. County is required to identify the Unique Entity Identification (UEI) number, as known in the federal System for Award Management (SAM), and Federal Award Identification Number (FAIN) in all County contracts that include federal funds or pass through of federal funds. This information is required in order for the County to remain in compliance with Title 2 CFR Section 200.331, and remain eligible to receive federal funding. The Contractor shall provide the Contractor name as registered in SAM, as well as the UEI number to be included in this Contract. Related FAIN will be included in this Contract by the County.

Contractor Name as registered in SAM	
UEI	
FAIN	

J. CORRECTION OF PERFORMANCE DEFICIENCIES

1. In the event of a problem or potential problem that could impact the quality or quantity of work, Services, or the level or performance under this Contract, Contractor shall notify the County within one (1) working day, in writing and by telephone.
2. Failure by Contractor to comply with any of the provisions, covenants, requirements or conditions of this Contract shall be a material breach of this Contract.
3. In the event of a non-cured breach, County may, at its sole discretion and in addition to any other remedies available at law, in equity, or otherwise specified in this Contract:
 - a. Afford Contractor thereafter a time period within which to cure the breach, which period shall be established at the sole discretion of County; and/or
 - b. Discontinue reimbursement to Contractor for and during the period in which Contractor is in breach, which reimbursement shall not be entitled to later recovery; and/or

- c. Withhold funds pending duration of the breach; and/or
 - d. Offset against any monies billed by Contractor but yet unpaid by County those monies disallowed pursuant to Item "b" of this paragraph; and/or
 - e. Terminate this Contract immediately and be relieved of the payment of any consideration to Contractor. In the event of such termination, the County may proceed with the work in any manner deemed proper by the County. The cost to the County shall be deducted from any sum due to the Contractor under this Contract and the balance, if any, shall be paid by the Contractor upon demand.
4. Unless a remedy is specifically designated as exclusive, no remedy conferred by any of the specific provision of the Contract is intended to be exclusive of any other remedy, and each and every remedy shall be cumulative and shall be in addition to every other remedy given hereunder, now or hereafter existing at law or in equity or by statute or otherwise. The election of any one (1) or more remedies by either Party shall not constitute a waiver of the right to pursue other available remedies.

K. Reserved.

L. EQUAL EMPLOYMENT/EMPLOYMENT DISCRIMINATION/CIVIL RIGHTS

1. Equal Employment Opportunity Program - Contractor agrees to comply with: the provisions of the San Bernardino County Equal Employment Opportunity Program and rules and regulations adopted pursuant thereto; Executive Order 11246 [30 Fed. Reg. 12319 (Sept. 24, 1965)], as amended by Executive Orders 11375, 11625, 12138, 12432, 12250, and 13672; Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. section 2000(e), et seq.); Division 21 of the California Department of Social Services Manual of Policies and Procedures; California Welfare and Institutions Code section 10000; the California Fair Employment and Housing Act (Cal. Gov. Code section 12900, et seq.); and other applicable federal, state, and County laws, regulations and policies relating to equal employment or social services to welfare recipients, including laws and regulations hereafter enacted.

The Contractor shall not unlawfully discriminate against any employee, applicant for employment, or service recipient on the basis of race, color, national origin or ancestry, religion, sex, marital status, age, political affiliation or disability. Information on the above rules and regulations may be obtained from the County.

2. Employment Discrimination – During the term of the Contract, Contractor shall not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment or service recipient because of race, religious creed, color, national origin, ancestry, physical disability, mental disability, medical condition, genetic information, marital status, sex, gender, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, age, or military and veteran status. Contractor shall comply with Executive Orders 11246, 11375, 11625, 12138, 12432, 12250, 13672, Title VI and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the California Fair Employment and Housing Act and other applicable federal, state and County laws and regulations and policies relating to equal employment and contracting opportunities, including laws and regulations hereafter enacted.
3. Civil Rights Compliance – The Contractor shall develop and maintain internal policies and procedures to assure compliance with each factor outlined by state regulation. These policies must be developed into a Civil Rights Plan, which is to be on file with the County within thirty (30) days of awarding of the Contract. The Plan must address prohibition of discriminatory practices, accessibility, language services, staff development and training, dissemination of information, complaints of discrimination, compliance review, and duties of the Civil Rights Liaison. Upon request, the County will supply a sample of the Plan format. The Contractor will be monitored by the County for compliance with provisions of its Civil Rights Plan. Additionally, the Contractor shall submit to County an Assurance of Compliance with the California Department of Social Services Nondiscrimination in State and Federally Assisted Programs Statement (Attachment B) annually.

4. Equity – Contractor shall adhere to and participate in County efforts ensuring all individuals and communities have equal access and opportunity to health and wellbeing by providing culturally and linguistically appropriate services to all people of color and culture, age, disabilities, gender, sexual orientation or gender identity including people with limited English proficiency (LEP). Services provided must be respectful of and responsive to the cultural and linguistic needs of County residents.
 - a. Contractor shall assess the demographic make up and population trends of its service area to identify the cultural and linguistic needs of the eligible service population. Such studies are critical to designing and planning for providing appropriate, effective and equitable services.
 - b. Contractor shall partner with and support community partners in addressing disparities in family stability, health and mental wellness, education, employment, housing and overall delivery of human services. Partnering includes opportunities for partners and community members to design, implement and evaluate practices, and services ensuring equity and cultural and linguistic appropriateness.
 - c. Contractor shall work with County to communicate and provide opportunities for individuals and communities of color and culture to provide feedback on progress and outcomes achieved to address disparities in family stability, health and mental wellness, education, employment, housing and overall delivery of human services.
 - d. Contractor shall recruit, promote and support a culturally and linguistically diverse workforce that is responsive to and represents the population being served. This includes trained and competent bilingual staff.
 - e. Contractor shall provide training to enhance its workforce knowledge on cultural and linguistic competence. Becoming culturally and linguistically competent is a developmental process and incorporates at all levels the importance of culture, the assessment of cross-cultural relations, vigilance towards the dynamics that result from cultural differences, the expansion of cultural knowledge, and the adaptation of services to meet culturally unique needs. Providing services in a culturally appropriate and responsive manner is fundamental in any effort to ensure success of high quality and cost-effective health and human services. Offering those services in a manner that fails to achieve its intended result due to cultural and linguistic barriers does not reflect quality of care and is not cost-effective.
 - f. To ensure equal access to quality care for diverse populations, Contractors providing health and health care services may adopt the Federal Office of Minority Health Culturally and Linguistically Appropriate Services (CLAS) national standards.
 - g. Upon request, Contractor will provide County Human Services evidence of adherence to requirements listed above.

M. NOTICES

All written notices provided for in this Contract or which either party desires to give to the other shall be deemed fully given, when made in writing and either served personally, or by facsimile, or by email, or deposited in the United States mail, postage prepaid, and addressed to the other party as follows:

San Bernardino County
 Human Services Administration
 Attn: Contracts Unit
 150 South Lena Road
 San Bernardino, CA 92415-0515
 Facsimile: (909) 388-2900
 Email: HSASDContractsUnit@hss.sbcounty.gov

Contractor _____
 Street Address/PO Box _____
 City, State ZIP _____
 Facsimile: _____
 Email: _____

Notice shall be deemed communicated two (2) County working days from the time of mailing, facsimile, or email, if delivered as provided in this paragraph.

N. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

1. This Contract, including all Exhibits and other attachments, which are attached hereto and incorporated by reference, and other documents incorporated herein, represents the final, complete and exclusive agreement between the parties hereto. Any prior agreement, promises, negotiations or representations relating to the subject matter of this Contract not expressly set forth herein are of no force or effect. This Contract is executed without reliance upon any promise, warranty or representation by any party or any representative of any party other than those expressly contained herein. Each party has carefully read this Contract and signs the same of its own free will.
2. This Contract may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which so executed shall be deemed to be an original, and such counterparts shall together constitute one and the same Contract. The parties shall be entitled to sign and transmit an electronic signature of this Contract (whether by facsimile, PDF or other email transmission), which signature shall be binding on the party whose name is contained therein. Each party providing an electronic signature agrees to promptly execute and deliver to the other party an original signed Contract upon request.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, San Bernardino County and the Contractor have each caused this Contract to be subscribed by its respective duly authorized officers, on its behalf.

SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY

► _____
Jeany Zepeda, Director of Children and Family Services

Dated: _____

(Print or type name of corporation, company, contractor, etc.)

By ► _____
(Authorized signature - sign in blue ink)

Name _____
(Print or type name of person signing contract)

Title _____
(Print or Type)

Dated: _____

Address _____

COMPLAINT AND GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE

INSTRUCTIONS: THE CUSTOMER IS TO READ AND RECEIVE THE TOP PORTION OF THIS FORM. THE BOTTOM PORTION OF THE FORM IS TO BE SIGNED BY SERVICE RECIPIENT AND PLACED IN THE CONTRACTOR’S RECORDS.

If you believe you have been discriminated against, or that there has been a violation of any laws or regulations, or if you have a problem regarding services received, you have the right to file a complaint or tell us your grievance.

The following procedures are to be followed when filing a complaint or grievance.

STEP ONE:

Write down your complaint or grievance and talk to the service provider. Keep a copy for yourself and write down the date you talked to the service provider.

If answered or resolved at this step, nothing further is required.

If no answer or resolution within 10 calendar days, proceed with Step Two.

STEP TWO:

Send a copy of your written complaint or grievance, or discuss the complaint or grievance with your County Caseworker. Write down the date you spoke to your Caseworker or send the complaint and keep it with your copy.

- If answered or resolved at this step, nothing further is required.
- If no answer or resolution within 10 calendar days, proceed with Step Three.

STEP THREE:

Send a copy of your written complaint or grievance to the Program Specialist. If you would like a response, include your name, address and telephone number. Your personal information and your complaint and grievance details will be kept confidential.

HS Program Development Division, Contracts Support Unit
ATTN: Program Specialist
825 E. Hospitality Lane, 2nd Floor
San Bernardino, CA 92415-0079

- If answered or resolved at this step, nothing further is required.
- If no answer or resolution within 10 calendar days, proceed with Step Four.

STEP FOUR:

Send a copy of your written complaint or grievance to the Contract Analyst at:

HS Administrative Support Division, ATTN: Contracts Unit
150 S. Lena Road
San Bernardino, CA 92415-0515

You will be contacted within 10 calendar days if you have provided contact information.

Please note: Each of these steps must be completed in the sequence shown.

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COMPLAINT AND GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE CERTIFICATION

This certifies I have read, understood, and received the Complaint and Grievance Procedures.

Client Signature

Date



COMPLAINT AND GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE

THIS INFORMING NOTICE IS TO BE DISPLAYED IN CLEAR VIEW IN AREAS WHERE CLIENT WILL OBTAIN THE DIRECT SERVICE OR AS DELINEATED IN THE CORRESPONDING COUNTY CONTRACT. CLIENT IS TO BE PROVIDED A COPY OF THIS PROCEDURE UPON REQUEST.

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HS Program Development Division
 Attn: Contracts Support Unit
 825 E. Hospitality Lane, 2nd Floor
 San Bernardino, CA 92415-0079
 909-383-9700

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PROCEDIMIENTO PARA DENUNCIAS Y QUEJAS

INSTRUCCIONES: El CLIENTE DEBE leer y recibir la parte superior de este formulario. La parte inferior del formulario debe ser firmado por el recipiente del servicio y colocarlo en los archivos del contratista.

Si cree que ha sido discriminado o que, habido una violación de leyes o regulaciones, o si tiene un problema con respecto a los servicios que recibió, usted tiene el derecho de presentar una denuncia o informarnos de su queja.

Se deben seguir los siguientes procedimientos al presentar una denuncia o queja.

PRIMER PASO:

Escriba su denuncia o queja por escrito y hable con el proveedor de servicios. Guarde una copia para usted y escriba la fecha en que habló con el proveedor de servicios.

- Si en este paso recibió respuesta o resolvió el problema, no se requiere hacer nada más.
- Si no hay respuesta o resolución dentro de los 10 días calendarios, siga al Segundo Paso.

SEGUNDO PASO:

Mande una copia de su denuncia o queja por escrito o hable con su Trabajador encargado del Caso del Condado sobre su denuncia o queja. Escriba la fecha en que habló con su Trabajador de Caso o cuando envió su queja por escrito y manténgala con su copia en sus archivos.

- Si en este paso recibió respuesta o resolvió el problema, no se requiere hacer nada más.
- Si no hay respuesta o resolución dentro de los 10 días calendarios, siga al Tercer Paso.

TERCER PASO:

Mande una copia de su denuncia o queja por escrito al Especialista de Programa. Si desea una respuesta, incluya su nombre, dirección y número de teléfono. Su información personal y los detalles de su denuncia o queja se mantendrán confidencial.

HS Program Development Division,
 ATTN: Contracts Support Unit
 825 E. Hospitality Lane, 2nd Floor
 San Bernardino, CA 92415-0079
 909-383-9700

- Si en este paso recibió respuesta o resolvió el problema, no se requiere hacer nada más.
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CUARTO PASO:

Mande una copia de su denuncia o queja por escrito al Analista de Contratos a:

HS Administrative Support Division
 Contracts Unit
 150 S. Lena Road
 San Bernardino, CA 92415-0515

Será contactado dentro de 10 días calendarios si ha proporcionado su información de contacto.

Por favor note: Cada uno de estos pasos deben ser completados en la orden que se indica.

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CERTIFICACIÓN DEL PROCEDIMIENTO PARA DENUNCIAS Y QUEJAS

Esto certifica que he leído, entendido, y he recibido el Procedimiento para Denuncias y Quejas.

Firma del Cliente

Fecha



Human Services

PROCEDIMIENTO PARA DENUNCIAS Y QUEJAS

ESTE AVISO INFORMATIVO DEBE MOSTRARSE EN VISTA CLARA EN AREAS DONDE EL CLIENTE RECIBIRÁ SERVICIO DIRECTO O COMO ESTÁ DELINEADO EN EL CONTRATO DEL CONDADO CORRESPONDIENTE. AL CLIENTE SE LE PROPORCIONARÁ UNA COPIA DE ESTE PROCEDIMIENTO CUANDO LO PIDA.

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ASSURANCE OF COMPLIANCE STATEMENT

**ASSURANCE OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE
CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
NONDISCRIMINATION IN STATE AND FEDERALLY ASSISTED PROGRAMS**

NAME OF THE CONTRACTING AGENCY

(Hereinafter called the "Agency")

HEREBY AGREES THAT it will comply with Title VI and VII of the Civil Rights act of 1964 as amended; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 as amended; the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 as amended; the Food Stamp Act of 1977, as amended and in particular section 272.6; Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990; California Civil Code Section 51 et seq., as amended; California Government Code section 11135-11139.8, as amended; California Government Code section 12940; California Government Code section 4450; Title 2, California Code of Regulations sections 11140-11200; Title 24 of the California Code of Regulations, Section 3105A(e); the Dymally-Alatorre Bilingual Services Act (California Government Code Section 7290-7299.8); Section 1808 of the Removal of Barriers to Interethnic Adoption Act of 1996; and other applicable federal and state laws, as well as their implementing regulations [including 45 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Parts 80, 84, and 91, 7 CFR Part 15, and 28 CFR Part 42], by ensuring that employment practices and the administration of public assistance and social services programs are nondiscriminatory, to the effect that no person shall because of ethnic group identification, age, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, color, disability, medical condition, national origin, race, ancestry, marital status, religion, religious creed, political belief, or other applicable protected basis be excluded from participation in or be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subject to discrimination under any program or activity receiving federal or state assistance; and **HEREBY GIVES ASSURANCE THAT**, it will immediately take any measures necessary to effectuate this agreement.

THIS ASSURANCE is given in consideration of and for the purpose of obtaining any and all federal and state assistance; and **THE AGENCY HEREBY GIVES ASSURANCE THAT** administrative methods/procedures which have the effect of subjecting individuals to discrimination or defeating the objectives of the California Department of Social Services (CDSS) Manual of Policies and Procedures (MPP) Chapter 21, will be prohibited.

BY ACCEPTING THIS ASSURANCE, the Agency agrees to compile data, maintain records and submit reports as required, to permit effective enforcement of the aforementioned laws and regulations and permit authorized CDSS and/or federal government personnel, during normal working hours, to review such records, books and accounts as needed to ascertain compliance. If there are any violations of this assurance, CDSS shall have the right to invoke fiscal sanctions or other legal remedies in accordance with Welfare and Institutions Code Section 10605, or Government Code Section 11135-11139.8, or any other laws, or the issue may be referred to the appropriate federal agency for further compliance action and enforcement of this assurance.

THIS ASSURANCE is binding on the Agency directly or through contract, license, or other provider services, as long as it receives federal or state assistance; and shall be submitted annually with the required Civil Rights Plan Update.

DATE

SIGNATURE

ORGANIZATION