



# San Bernardino County

## Legislation Text

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### **REPORT/RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO AND RECORD OF ACTION**

**September 15, 2020**

#### **FROM**

**MARLENE HAGEN, Director, Children and Family Services**

#### **SUBJECT**

Non-Financial Student Internship Agreement with California State University, Dominguez Hills

#### **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

Approve non-financial Agreement with California State University, Dominguez Hills for student interns to receive supervised social work field experience for a five-year period beginning the date of execution by both parties through September 14, 2025.

(Presenter: Marlene Hagen, Director, 388-0242)

#### **COUNTY AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER GOALS & OBJECTIVES**

**Promote the Countywide Vision.**

**Provide for the Safety, Health and Social Service Needs of County Residents.**

**Pursue County Goals and Objectives by Working with Other Agencies.**

#### **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

The recommended Agreement is non-financial; therefore it does not impact Discretionary General Funding (Net County Cost).

#### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The recommended non-financial Agreement with California State University, Dominguez Hills (CSUDH) will provide opportunities for students to receive supervised field experience within Children and Family Services (CFS) in preparation for professional social work practice. Through this agreement, CFS will provide learning experiences that will help students receive the skills they need to prosper in the 21<sup>st</sup> century economy, which aligns with the San Bernardino Countywide Vision2Succeed initiative. Field experience provides opportunities for students to apply and integrate the knowledge, theories, and concepts of social work practice learned throughout their social work curriculum. Field experience is an essential element of CSUDH's educational process for professional social work practice.

Under this recommended agreement, CFS will work with CSUDH to provide support to students as they engage in field experience. Integration of classroom learning with agency-based practice allows social work students to observe and participate in CFS programs and activities to gain understanding about the benefits and challenges of the organization and its diverse client populations. CFS will designate a qualified individual (Field Instructor) to coordinate each student's learning experience and supervise him or her throughout the program. The Field Instructor will use this program as an opportunity to lead students to a personal

understanding of the responsibilities and rewards of professional social work practice.

**PROCUREMENT**

Not Applicable.

**REVIEW BY OTHERS**

This item has been reviewed by Human Services Contracts (Jennifer Mulhall-Daudel, 388-0241) on August 14, 2020; County Counsel (Michael Markel, Principal Assistant County Counsel, 387-5455) on August 17, 2020; Finance (John Hallen, Administrative Analyst, 388-0208) on August 28, 2020; and County Finance and Administration (Tanya Bratton, Deputy Executive Officer, 388-0332) on August 28, 2020.