

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
FOR THE COUNTY OF SANTA CLARA DELEGATING AUTHORITY TO THE
DIRECTOR OF THE SOCIAL SERVICES AGENCY OR DESIGNEE TO
NEGOTIATE, EXECUTE, AMEND AND TERMINATE AGREEMENTS
RELATED TO THE TRANSITIONAL HOUSING PLACEMENT – PLUS
PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, the Transitional Housing Placement – Plus Program (THP-Plus) was established by the California State Legislature in 2001 to address the housing and service needs of foster care youth who emancipate out of the foster care system; and

WHEREAS, the Governor of California signed AB 1808 on July 12, 2006 which removed the County share of cost for the THP-Plus Program; and

WHEREAS, each year in Santa Clara County approximately 100 to 200 young adults exit foster care when they turn 18 or 19 lacking the support services needed to succeed, with only 58% completing high school or equivalent and 45% attending college; and

WHEREAS, the Social Services Agency, Department of Family and Children's Services has been working with specific foundations on the implementation of the California Connected by 25 Initiative (CC25) to secure services for emancipated young adults in Santa Clara County; and

WHEREAS, one of the key components of CC25 is to secure affordable housing with support services for former foster youth who have emancipated out of the foster care system; and

WHEREAS, the Social Services Agency originally submitted a THP-Plus Plan to the California Department of Social Services for housing and support services for Fiscal Year 2007; and

WHEREAS, the THP-Plus Plan was approved by the California Department of Social Services; and

WHEREAS, the Social Services Agency is required by the California Department of Social Services to certify all Santa Clara County Transitional Housing Placement –Plus Program provider plans to ensure compliance with State programmatic regulations; and

WHEREAS, the Social Services Agency has implemented the THP-Plus Program since February 1, 2007 and has the following models: Scattered Site (Community-based organizations); Residence Hall (San Jose State University); and Host Family (Life-long connections). Additionally, the Agency has hired two Case Managers to support the program; and

WHEREAS, the Social Services Agency is mandated by the State to enter into an Agreements with the county certified THP – Plus provider(s) setting forth the scope of services, work plan, budget and mutual obligations of each provider; and

WHEREAS, the Host Family Agreements will be in a boilerplate format following approval by County Counsel as to form and legality and approval by the Office of the County Executive; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Clara that:

The Social Services Agency Director, or designee, is authorized on behalf of the County of Santa Clara to negotiate, execute, amend and terminate Agreements with Santa Clara County Transitional Housing Placement – Plus provider(s) and Case Managers relating to the provision of transitional housing services for eligible former foster youth in an amount not to exceed \$2,215,401, unless other revenue is available, for the period of July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010, including the option of two additional one-year terms following approval by County Counsel as to form and legality, and approval by the Office of the County Executive. Delegation of authority shall expire on June 30, 2012.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Clara on _____ by the following vote:

AYES: _____

NOES: _____

ABSENT: _____

Liz Kniss, President
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

ATTEST:

Signed and certified that a copy of this document has been delivered by electronic or other means to the President, Board of Supervisors.

Maria Marinos
Clerk of the Board

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY



Kristin Baker
Deputy County Counsel

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