

**COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
AGENDA ITEM TRANSMITTAL**

(1) DEPARTMENT Social Services	(2) MEETING DATE 7/9/2013	(3) CONTACT/PHONE Trish Avery Caldwell (805) 781-1831		
(4) SUBJECT Request to approve a renewal service contract (Clerk's File) for Cal-Learn Case Management Services with Community Action Partnership of San Luis Obispo County, Inc., for Fiscal Year 2013-2014 in the amount of \$67,500.				
(5) RECOMMENDED ACTION It is recommended that your Board approve, and direct the Chairperson to sign, a renewal service contract with Community Action Partnership of San Luis Obispo County, Inc. (CAPSLO), for Cal-Learn Case Management Services in the amount of \$67,500 for Fiscal year 2013-2014.				
(6) FUNDING SOURCE(S) Fed 100%	(7) CURRENT YEAR FINANCIAL IMPACT \$67,500	(8) ANNUAL FINANCIAL IMPACT \$67,500	(9) BUDGETED? Yes	
(10) AGENDA PLACEMENT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consent <input type="checkbox"/> Presentation <input type="checkbox"/> Hearing (Time Est. ___) <input type="checkbox"/> Board Business (Time Est. ___)				
(11) EXECUTED DOCUMENTS <input type="checkbox"/> Resolutions <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Contracts <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinances <input type="checkbox"/> N/A				
(12) OUTLINE AGREEMENT REQUISITION NUMBER (OAR) 19001259			(13) BUDGET ADJUSTMENT REQUIRED? BAR ID Number: N/A <input type="checkbox"/> 4/5th's Vote Required <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	
(14) LOCATION MAP N/A	(15) BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT? No		(16) AGENDA ITEM HISTORY <input type="checkbox"/> N/A    Date: <u>Board Approved 6/19/12</u>	
(17) ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE REVIEW  Emily Jackson				
(18) SUPERVISOR DISTRICT(S) All Districts -				

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## **RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that your Board approve, and direct the Chairperson to sign, a renewal service contract with Community Action Partnership of San Luis Obispo County, Inc. (CAPSLO), for Cal-Learn Case Management Services in the amount of \$67,500 for Fiscal year 2013-2014.

## **DISCUSSION**

The Cal-Learn program is a state mandated program that helps California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) eligible pregnant and parenting teens under the age of 19 attend and graduate from high school or obtain its equivalent. The program also allows for an otherwise eligible teen who is 19 years of age to *continue* to participate in the Cal-Learn Program on a voluntary basis until s/he earns a high school diploma or its equivalent or turns 20 years old. The program uses three (3) coordinated efforts to achieve academic success: 1) intensive case management, 2) supportive services like transportation and childcare, and 3) bonuses and sanctions to encourage school attendance and good grades. Each teen in the Cal-Learn program works with a case manager to establish and meet education goals, access medical care, expand parenting skills, and learn about appropriate community services. The goals of the program are to improve early access to prenatal and maternal health care, decrease subsequent pregnancies, increase the number of healthy life choices, and to complete a high school diploma or equivalent [e.g., General Education Degree (GED)]. Statewide the program serves approximately 15,000 teens monthly (2012, CDSS.ca.gov) and county-wide we serve an average of 28 teens per month and over fifty (50) teens each year (2012).

This program has been extremely effective in helping parenting teens graduate from high school or obtain their GED. Specifically in Fiscal Year (FY) 2012-2013 it is anticipated that eighty five percent (85%), or 17 of 20, of our local Cal-Learn teens who are eligible for their high school diploma or GED will obtain one or the other. Most of these same teens go on to higher education, obtain employment, and create productive futures for themselves and their child(ren).

In FY 2011-2012 pursuant to Senate Bill (SB) 72 state funding for the Cal-Learn program was eliminated (suspended). Specifically, funding for state supported automation, transportation and ancillary expenses, and case management services were cut. However, funding for child care, mental health services, and school bonuses for satisfactory academic progress remained available [All County Letter (ACL) [11-36](#)]. Based on the funding that remained and the success of the local program the County elected to continue to fund the Cal-Learn program in FY 2011-2012 and at the end of 2012 we were notified of the restoration of the Cal-Learn program ([ACL 12-60](#)).

The Community Action Partnership of San Luis Obispo County, Inc. (CAPSLO), a private nonprofit, began

providing services in San Luis Obispo County in 1965 [then known as the Economic Opportunity Commission of San Luis Obispo County, Inc. (EOC)] and offers many services for low-income individuals and families. Services offered include child care, homeless case management, shelter and food, home energy services, adult day care for the elderly or disabled, emergency intervention services, and many other services focused on eliminating the causes of poverty. They are also the local provider of the federally funded Teen Academic Parenting Program (TAPP) which provides pregnant/parenting teens services regardless of eligibility to CalWORKs. The TAPP operates in conjunction with the Cal-Learn program to assist our CalWORKs pregnant and parenting teens receive the support they need to stay in school through graduation, and to contribute to the school district's efforts to reduce the incidence of teen pregnancy. By operating both programs, CAPSLO is able to ensure no duplication of administrative costs and that funding is fully leveraged.

The approval of this contract will ensure that CAPSLO will continue to provide Cal-Learn participants with opportunities to realize long-term academic and employment achievements. These services support both welfare reform goals and the outcomes of Assembly Bill 636 (AB 636), the Child Welfare System Improvement and Accountability Act (better known as the System Improvement Plan or SIP), which focus on continuous improvement, interagency partnerships, community involvement and public reporting of outcomes. Services support the Department and County goal of ensuring all people in our community enjoy healthy, successful and productive lives, and have access to the basic necessities.

**OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT/IMPACT**

This contract was developed in partnership with CAPSLO and County Counsel has reviewed and approved the contract as to legal form and effect.

**FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS**

The total contract amount for Cal-Learn is \$67,500. The contract is \$7,500 higher than last year to cover increased costs associated with providing Cal-Learn services to a larger number of parenting teens. While CAPSLO continues to serve approximately the same number of teens monthly (20-31 teens), there has been an increase of approximately forty five percent (45%) in the number of teens enrolling and exiting the program annually.

Specifically, last year a total of thirty six (36) unique (unduplicated) teens enrolled and exited the Cal-Learn program, where as of March 31, 2013, of this contract year a total of fifty three (53) unique (unduplicated) teens received Cal-Learn services. The increase in teens served over the term of the contract has resulted in an increase in staff time and resources beyond those covered in the previous contract amount. This contract is included in the Department of Social Services adopted budget for FY 2013-2014 and will require no General Fund support and includes no increases attributable to a Consumer Price Index (CPI) increase or Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA).

Agency	Actual FY 11-12	Budget FY 12-13	Budget FY 13-14	Notes	Sharing Ratios		
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Community Action Partnership of SLO County (CAPSLO)	\$ 60,000	\$ 60,000	\$ 67,500	Cal-Learn	100%	0%	0%

**RESULTS**

Fiscal Year 12-13

*As of March 31, 2013, a total of fifty three (53) eligible Cal-Learn participants (unduplicated) were served during the contract year, resulting in up to thirty one (31) participants receiving monthly services. Most clients received services for multiple months. It is anticipated that this number will be higher by the end of the contract.*

CAPSLO exceeded its performance outcome to provide services that resulted in serving up to twenty-eight (28)

eligible participants per month. *As of March 31, 2013, up to thirty one (31) Cal-Learn participants received services each month. The Cal-Learn program operates on an open-enrollment basis which results in the number of individuals served being higher than the number of participants being served each month.*

*Based on the final quarterly report received on July 20, 2012, in FY 2011-2012 up to twenty eight (28) Cal-Learn participants received services each month, with a total of thirty-six (36) unduplicated individuals receiving Cal-Learn services.*

CAPSLO exceeded its performance outcome to provide services that resulted in ninety percent (90%) of Cal-Learn clients referred receiving Cal-Learn/Teenage Pregnancy Prevention (TAPP) services within ten (10) working days of initial referral. *As of March 31, 2013, fifty two (52) of fifty three (53), or ninety eight percent (98%), received Cal-Learn/TAPP services within ten (10) working days of initial referral.*

CAPSLO will provide services that result in seventy percent (70%) of Cal-Learn clients served and eligible for GED/HS graduation obtaining their high school diploma or its equivalent by the end of the contract year. *Because the majority of clients graduate in June, this outcome and the number of students who receive their HS diploma/GED or its equivalent will be reported on the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter report, and returned to the County on July 20, 2013.*

*Based on the final quarterly report received on July 20, 2012, in FY 2011-2012 a total of ten (10) of twelve (12), or eighty three percent (83%) of GED/HS diploma eligible clients obtained their high school diploma or its equivalency.*

CAPSLO exceeded its performance outcome and provided services that resulted in ninety-five percent (95%) of the children of Cal-Learn clients who were due for immunizations receiving them at the recommended age. *As of March 31, 2013, a total of nineteen (19) of nineteen (19), or 100%, of children received their immunizations timely.*

CAPSLO has a performance outcome which states that one hundred percent (100%) of clients for Domestic Violence services who disclosed domestic violence issues will be referred for services. *As of March 31, 2013, there was one (1) client who disclosed experiencing domestic violence and was referred for services.*

CAPSLO has a performance outcome which states that one hundred percent (100%) of clients who needed help in order to avoid child abuse/neglect or who were reasonably suspect of child abuse/neglect will be referred for services. *As of March 31, 2013, no clients were referred to Child Welfare Services (CWS).*

CAPSLO provided services that resulted in ninety eight percent (98%), or fifty two (52) of fifty three (53) Cal-Learn clients participating in additional services such as mental health, drug and alcohol, tobacco cessation and parenting skills as of March 31, 2013. Results reported are *slightly lower than the anticipated one hundred percent (100%) of the students due to participation in the program being voluntary.*

#### Fiscal Year 13-14

CAPSLO will serve up to 28 eligible participants per month.

CAPSLO will provide services that result in ninety percent (90%) of Cal-Learn clients referred receiving Cal-Learn/TAPP services within ten (10) working days of initial referral.

CAPSLO will provide services that result in seventy percent (70%) of Cal-Learn clients served and who are eligible for GED/HS graduation obtaining their high school diploma or its equivalent by the end of contract year.

CAPSLO will provide services that result in ninety-five percent (95%) of the children of Cal-Learn clients who are due for immunizations receiving them at the recommended age.

CAPSLO will provide services that result in one hundred percent (100%) of clients who disclose domestic violence issues being referred for Domestic Violence services.

CAPSLO will provide services that result in one hundred percent (100%) of clients who need prevention services

in order to avoid child abuse/neglect, or who are reasonably suspect of child abuse/neglect, being referred to appropriate services.

CAPSLO will provide services that result in one hundred percent (100%) of Cal-Learn clients participating in additional services such as mental health, drug and alcohol, tobacco cessation and parenting skills.

**ATTACHMENTS**

1. CAPSLO Cal-Learn Clerk's File