

December 5, 2006

Marin County Board of Supervisors
3501 Civic Center Drive
San Rafael, California 94903

**SUBJECT: Division of Social Services, Agreement with Novato Human Needs Center
for FY 2006-07 in the amount of \$56,093 (Renewal)**

Dear Supervisors:

RECOMMENDATION:

1. Approve and authorize President to sign agreement with Novato Human Needs Center for FY 2006-07 in the amount of \$56,093 to provide child abuse and neglect prevention and intervention services.

SUMMARY: The Novato Human Needs Center (NHNC) provides child abuse and neglect prevention and intervention services for monolingual Hispanic families and children in Marin County. NHNC's Amigos de la Familia program prevents child abuse and neglect through a comprehensive program of family support, combining in-home visiting with resource-center based services.

CONTRACT PERFORMANCE: NHNC has proven to be effective in preventing or reducing child abuse and neglect. The contractor provided services to 50 at-risk families in FY 05-06.

COMMUNITY IMPACT: The services provided by NHNC have proven effective in preventing and reducing child abuse and neglect in Marin County. These services enhance overall family stability and increase health and well-being. As a result of these services, children and families are now healthier and experiencing a more nurturing home environment.

STAFFING/FISCAL IMPACT: This amount has been budgeted for FY 2006-07 in budget center 1000052000. There is no net additional cost associated with this program.

REVIEWED BY:	Auditor Controller	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Human Resources	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	County Counsel	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Respectfully submitted,

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Director of Health & Human Services

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