DEPARTMENT: Board of Supervisors  BY: Dianne Fritz
PHONE: 966-3222

RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION:
Approve the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Mariposa County and Mariposa Safe Families, Inc.; Authorize the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors to sign the MOU. The MOU is a required part of the Mariposa Safe Families, Inc. Self Improvement Plan to maintain compliance with the Welfare and Institutions Code. The MOU will also facilitate the coordination efforts to prevent and respond to child abuse in the County. The MOU has no legally binding commitment for funding or services.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:
In the past the Board has entered into MOUs that are for the benefit and well being of the citizens of Mariposa County.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

Financial Impact? ( ) Yes  (X) No  Current FY Cost: $  Annual Recurring Cost: $
Budgeted In Current FY? ( ) Yes  ( ) No  ( ) Partially Funded
Amount in Budget: $  List Attachments, number pages consecutively
Additional Funding Needed: $  Letter from Kathy Delaney
Source: MOU
Internal Transfer
Unanticipated Revenue  4/5's vote
Transfer Between Funds  4/5's vote
Contingency  4/5's vote
( ) General  ( ) Other

CLERK’S USE ONLY:
Res. No.:  Ord. No. 
Vote – Ayes:  Noes:  Absent:  
( ) Approved
( ) Minute Order Attached  ( ) No Action Necessary

The foregoing instrument is a correct copy of the original on file in this office.
Date: 
Attest: MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board
County of Mariposa, State of California
By: 
Deputy

COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER:
( ) Requested Action Recommended
( ) No Opinion
Comments:

CAO: 

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MARIPOSA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MINUTE ORDER

TO: DIANNE FRITZ, Supervisor District IV
FROM: MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board

SUBJECT: APPROVE THE MOU BETWEEN MARIPOSA COUNTY AND MARIPOSA SAFE FAMILIES, INC.; AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD TO SIGN RESOLUTION 06-60

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MARIPOSA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

ADOPTED THIS Order on February 14, 2006

ACTION AND VOTE:

Consent Agenda item 6 – Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Mariposa Safe Families, Inc. Supervisor Bibby asked that the MOU be routed to the affected County agencies/departments; and she noted that Mariposa Safe Families needs to work closely with the agencies for the common good of the children. She also asked if there are any liability issues or concerns with the MOU. Rich Inman, County Administrative Officer/Risk Manager, advised that he does not see any concerns. Supervisor Pickard introduced and welcomed Kathy Delaney as Executive Director for Mariposa Safe Families, Inc. (M)Fritz, (S)Pickard, item 6 was approved. Kathy Delaney advised that she plans to work with the agencies to develop an MOU with each of them; and to work to develop a referral service in the community. Ayes: Unanimous.

CA-6 Approve and Authorize the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors to Sign the Memorandum of Understanding between Mariposa County and Mariposa Safe Families, Inc., to Maintain Compliance with the Welfare and Institutions Code (Supervisor Fritz); Res. 06-60, with discussion

Cc: Mariposa Safe Families, Human Services
   Chris Ebie, Auditor
   File
February 2, 2006

Supervisor Diane Fritz
County of Mariposa
P.O. Box 784
Mariposa, CA 95338

Dear Diane:

As you know, you were part of a team of Mariposa Safe Families, Inc. board members and community partners that attended an action planning session in June 2005. The purpose of the session, facilitated by the Child Abuse Training and Technical Assistance Center (CATTA), was to develop a plan to strengthen the Child Abuse Prevention Council (CAPC). An Exemplary CAPC Services Self Improvement Plan was developed based on a Quality Indicators Checklist consistent with the current legislation. The resulting plan identified the need for formal agreements between cooperating agencies and the CAPC that clearly state the working roles and relationships and follow County policies and other applicable laws regarding children and family rights and confidentiality.

As per our recent telephone conversation, we would appreciate your assistance in proposing the attached Memorandum of Understanding between Mariposa Safe Families, Inc. and Mariposa County to the Board of Supervisors for approval and adoption. The MOU has been reviewed and approved by County Counsel, Tom Garino. Completion of the MOU will facilitate our coordination efforts to prevent and respond to child abuse in the community. It will also complete our Self Improvement Plan to maintain compliance with the Welfare and Institutions Code.

I will follow up this letter with a phone call to discuss next steps. We thank you for your advocacy and support regarding child abuse issues and look forward to working with you more in the future.

Sincerely,

Kathy Delaney
Executive Director
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN THE COMMUNITY PARTNER AGENCIES
OF MARIPOSA COUNTY AND MARIPOSA SAFE FAMILIES, INC.

This Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") is entered into between the Community Partner agencies of the Mariposa County Mariposa Safe Families, Inc. as a means of formalizing each Community Partner agency's commitment to full participation in support of Mariposa County Mariposa Safe Families, Inc.

RECATALS

A. The Mariposa County Child Abuse Prevention Council was formed by the Mariposa County Board of Supervisors pursuant to Welfare & Institutions Code section 18980 on October, 15, 2002 (Mariposa County Resolution No. 02-384).

B. At the time of its formation, the primary purpose for the Mariposa Safe Families, Inc. was to serve as the County's child abuse prevention coordinating council.

C. After its formation, the Mariposa Safe Families, Inc. expanded its role to become a public-private partnership committed to improving the health and well being of all Mariposa County children, youth, and their families. On January 13, 2003 Mariposa County Board Of Supervisors designated Mariposa Safe Families, Inc the Child Abuse Prevention Council. The Child Abuse Prevention Council became a non-profit organization pursuant to IRS Code section 501(c) (3) under the name Mariposa Safe Families, Inc. On June 14, 2005 the Mariposa County Board of Supervisors recognized the Mariposa County Child Abuse Prevention Council's name change to Mariposa Safe Families, Inc.

D. Mariposa Safe Families, Inc. primary strategy to prevent child abuse is by promoting safe and stable families through (but not limited to) the following activities and objectives:

1. By providing a voice for children, youth, parents, care providers, organizations and the community in general related to the health and welfare of families within the County.

2. By providing County officials and interested parties with accurate and timely information about the state of children, youth and families within the County. This shall include providing assistance to Community Partner agencies in assessing and improving service and program outcomes.

3. By promoting and coordinating collaborative efforts between Community Partner agencies.

4. By providing the infrastructure for a countywide, user-friendly family information and referral system, which is both comprehensive in scope and coordinated in application.

5. By facilitating the coordination of services and programs to children, youth and families by promoting collaborative efforts and interagency agreements and policies.

6. By promoting the development and financial sustainability of family enrichment, support and preservation services within the County.


8. By providing professional and community education opportunities related to promoting safe and stable families and the prevention and treatment of abuse, neglect and family violence.

9. By promoting and providing family centered enrichment activities and programs for the community.

E. The Community Partner agencies of the Mariposa Safe Families Inc. represent Mariposa County agencies,