RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION: (Policy Item: Yes___ No___)

It is recommended that your Board authorize the Human Services Director to release a Request for Proposals (RFP) to solicit prospective bidders who may wish to administer the County's SAMSHA Native American Counseling Center Grant and authorize the Human Services Director to select a review panel to rate the bids for submission to your Board for action in selecting a service contract provider at your Boards meeting of June 6, 2000. This Grant was originally developed for the County by Kingsview and has been administered by that organization under Contract with the County for the past 15 years through a program known as All Tribes Counseling Center. This program has been generally regarded as very positive in the Community and has received positive reviews from State Monitoring Visits. Recently, however, there has been a growing concern expressed that prospective providers with roots in the local Native American Community should be given an opportunity to bid on contracting with the County to provide these services. The grant for 2000/2001 is expected to be approximately $87,000.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

The Board of Supervisors authorizes the release of RFP's when it is required by State/Federal regulations in conjunction with program funding or other matters; or when the Board deems it is in the County interest to do so. During the lifetime of this SAMSHA grant this contract has never been put out to bid. Contracted services have been provided as contracted for by Kingsview in a manner that meets the terms of the agreement but recently an interest has been expressed in allowing other Community services providers an opportunity to compete to provide these services.

LIST ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

Other potential service providers would not have an opportunity to bid for these services and would have to wait until next fiscal year to compete for this contract.

COSTS: ( ) Not Applicable
A. Budgeted current FY $________
B. Total anticipated costs $________
C. Required additional funding $________
D. Internal Transfers $________

SOURCE: ( ) 4/5ths Vote Required
A. Unanticipated revenues $________
B. Reserve for contingencies $________
C. Source description: ____________________________
Balance in Reserve for Contingencies, if approved: $________

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:
List the attachments and number the pages consecutively:
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CLERK'S USE ONLY:
Res. No.: 00-47
Vote - Ayes: 5
Absent:

( ) 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

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION:
This item on agenda as:

( ) Recommended
( ) Not Recommended
( ) For Policy Determination
( ) Submitted with Comment
( ) Returned for Further Action

Comment: __________________________

A.O. Initials: ____________

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