RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2018-260

MEETING: June 12, 2018

TO: The Board of Supervisors

FROM: Chevon Kothari, Human Services Director

RE: Agreement with Rebekah Children’s Services

RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:
Approve an Agreement with Rebekah Children’s Services to provide residential group
home and mental health hospital diversion services in an amount not to exceed
$100,000; and authorize the Board of Supervisors Chair to sign the Agreement.

The County does not operate inpatient mental health rehabilitation facilities and
therefore agreements for such placements. Multiple agreements are necessary to meet
the potential need for mental health emergency services because beds are in short
supply throughout California. If the County limits the number of agreements, there
would likely come a time that someone were in danger to themselves or others and no
bed space would be available.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:
The current agreement for this facility was approved by the Board on April 25, 2017,
by Resolution Number 2017-232. The Board approved an amendment to the existing
agreement on August 22, 2017, by Resolution Number 2017-574.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:
If this agreement is not approved, Behavioral Health crisis response workers may have
greater difficulty in placing children who require emergency psychiatric
hospitalization.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:
This contract will continue to be paid within the Behavioral Health budget unit.
The daily inpatient fee is $850 as stated in Exhibit A of the contract, plus any
necessary mental health services to be authorized on a case by case basis. There
is no impact to the County General Fund.

ATTACHMENTS:
Rebekah Children’s Services Agreement 2019 - Wcsignature (PDF)
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RESULT: ADOPTED BY CONSENT VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Merlin Jones, District II Supervisor
SECONDER: Marshall Long, District III Supervisor
AYES: Smallcombe, Jones, Long, Cann, Menetrey