RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2021-471

MEETING: August 10, 2021

TO: The Board of Supervisors

FROM: Shannon Gadd, Health and Human Services Agency Director

RE: Operational Agreement Between Ethos Youth Center and Mariposa County Health and Human Services

RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:
Approve an Operational Agreement Between Ethos Youth Center, a Program of Alliance for Community Transformations, Inc., and Mariposa County Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA) to Provide Services for Children who Are Victims of Crime; and Authorize the Health and Human Services Agency Director to Sign the Agreement.

The goal of this Operational Agreement is to provide maximum available assistance for children who are crime victims in Mariposa County. This Agreement facilitates cooperation between HHSA and Ethos Youth Center to maximize assistance for victims.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:
Board of Supervisors does not have a prior operational agreement with Ethos Youth Center for this specific purpose.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:
Not supporting this Agreement would not allow for coordination of services between HHSA and Ethos Youth Center and hinder providing the best response to children who are victims of crime.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:
There is no impact to the County General Fund.

ATTACHMENTS:
Operational Agreement - HHSA and Ethos  (PDF)

RESULT: ADOPTED BY CONSENT VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Tom Sweeney, District II Supervisors
SECONDER: Rosemarie Smallcombe, District I Supervisor
AYES: Smallcombe, Sweeney, Long, Forsythe, Menetrey
OPERATIONAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN

Ethos Youth Center, a program of the

ALLIANCE FOR COMMUNITY TRANSFORMATIONS

AND

THE COUNTY OF MARIPOSA ON BEHALF OF THE MARIPOSA COUNTY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY - CHILD WELFARE DIVISION

This operational agreement stands as evidence that Ethos Youth Center, of the Alliance for Community Transformations, (Alliance), and the Mariposa County Health and Human Services Agency- Child Welfare Division (MHHSA-CWS) intend to work together toward the mutual goal of providing maximum available assistance for children who are crime victims in Mariposa County. Both agencies believe that cooperative provision of services for these victims, as described herein, will further this goal. To this end, each agency agrees to participate in the program by providing the following services.

The Alliance agrees to the following:

1. Ensure that youth services program staff are readily available to the MHHSA-CWS for service provision through in-person and telephone contact;

2. Provide court advocacy, educational support, case management, and facilitation of need-based services to primary and secondary victims of violence or substance abuse who are referred to the Alliance by the MHHSA-CWS.

3. Engage in cross training with the MHHSA-CWS staff as necessary.

4. Meet with a representative from the MHHSA-CWS when coordinated services for victims are needed.

The Mariposa County Health and Human Services Agency Child Welfare Division agrees to the following:
1. Refer, as appropriate, primary and secondary victims of violence and/or substance abuse to Ethos Youth Center.

2. Engage in cross training with Alliance youth services staff and volunteers as necessary.

3. Meet with youth services staff when coordinated services for victims are needed.

We, the undersigned as authorized representatives of the Alliance for Community Transformations and Mariposa County Health and Human Services Agency Child Welfare Division, do hereby approve this Operational Agreement through December 31st, 2022.

For the Alliance for Community Transformations:  

For the Mariposa County Health and Human Services Agency:

Alison Tudor  
Executive Director

Shannon Gadd  
Health and Human Services Director

Date: 08/10/2021

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Approved as to Legal Form:

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