Board Agenda Item 46

DATE: March 17, 2026

TO: Board of Supervisors

SUBMITTED BY: Sanja Bugay, Director, Department of Social Services

SUBJECT: Contribution of Funds for Community Outreach Events

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

Approve and authorize the Department of Social Services to participate in community outreach events or causes occurring between March - May 2026, per Administrative Policy No. 80.

Administrative Policy No. 80 (AP 80) was approved to govern department contributions for non-County events, causes, or anything similar. Approval of this item will allow the Department of Social Services (DSS) to participate in upcoming community events that require a registration fee or similar fees to participate. The Department's participation in these events provide both outreach and community education opportunities for the various programs that the Department manages. This item is countywide.

ALTERNATIVE ACTION(S):

If the Board does not approve the recommended action, DSS will not support community engagement and outreach efforts for March - May 2026.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no increase in Net County Cost associated with the recommended actions. Costs associated with AP 80 for contributions to non-County events, causes or anything similar are estimated to be $3,445. Costs will be offset with State and Federal program allocations as DSS only participates in events that further the purpose of said programs. Sufficient appropriations are included in the Department's Org 5610 FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget.

DISCUSSION:

On July 8, 2025, Administrative Policy 80 - Department Contributions of Funds for Non-County Events or Causes, was approved by the Board to ensure that County departments follow a uniform process when departments seek to contribute funds for non-County events, causes, or anything similar.

Historically, the Department has developed important partnerships with local organizations through active participation and support of various events. The Department uses every outreach opportunity to educate or elicit participation in programmatic goals. The following events are presented for the Board's approval:

Child Abuse Prevention Convening Event - April 8, 2026 - $325
The Fresno Council on Child Abuse Prevention is an organization that advances child abuse prevention through science-based professional development and extended learning opportunities. The Department is invited to attend the Child Abuse Prevention Convening to present on various topics regarding child abuse

and neglect prevention. This event occurs annually in April. Funding will be provided through the Family First Transition Act to cover attendance fees for five DSS staff members.

2nd Annual Child Abuse/Foster Care Awareness 5k Run & Walk Event - April 11, 2026 - $3,120
The California State University, Fresno Title IV-E Program, Social Work Student organizations, and Phi Alpha Honors Society are collaborating to host an annual 5k run and walk to raise awareness and advocate for issues related to child abuse prevention, child safety, foster care, and the importance of supporting the well-being of families, caregivers, and foster youth. This event will be funded through the Family First Prevention Services Act to sponsor 100 DSS staff participants.

REFERENCE MATERIAL:

BAI #9, July 8, 2025

ATTACHMENTS INCLUDED AND/OR ON FILE:

On file with Clerk - Department Contribution Approval Forms

CAO ANALYST:

Ron Alexander