



COUNTY OF FRESNO

DEPARTMENT CONTRIBUTION APPROVAL FORM

Event/Sponsorship/Contribution Date: <u>6/6/26</u>	Event/Sponsorship/Contribution Name: <u>Fresno Rainbow PRIDE Parade</u>	Dollar amount proposed to be contributed: <u>\$ 100.00</u>
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Are the funds going to an entity? If so, please list the names of directors and officers of entity:
Fresno Rainbow PRIDE and Community Link. Bryan Esparza, Director of Fresno Rainbow PRIDE/Co-Chair of Community Link

Source of funds used and statement that such funds are eligible for such proposed financial expenditure:
FFS Flexible Family Supports funds (Accounting Information: 5610-7001-7295)

Number of staff attending: <u>10 Eligibility Outreach Unit staff</u>	Is there a required fee to attend? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If Yes, what does the Department receive for the fee? <u>fee is for the booth only</u>
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Benefit to the Department or County for Participating?
DSS is able to network with local agencies and raise awareness of DSS services available to the LGBTQ+ community

Is there a public purpose for the proposed financial expenditure?
The booth gives DSS staff the opportunity to educate the LGBTQ+ community about County services available.

How is the proposed financial expenditure connected to the County?
THE PRIDE Parade is attended by County residents and providers that network with the County

Is this a Sponsorship? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Has the Department done this in the past? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
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List of materials to be passed out?
DSS materials will be available at the booth to provide information on the various services offered to the public.

Is this a required activity? Yes No
If so, by which entity? _____

If participation is denied, is funding or program jeopardized? Explain:
DSS has built positive working relationships and partnerships with local agencies and the community through various outreach events. Choosing not to participate could impact these established relationships.

Additional justification for this request:

DSS is dedicated to providing support to the LGBTQ+ population in the Child Welfare System and the data below shows why it is necessary

- 15.5% of youth identify as LGBTQ in CWS. (Dettlaff et al., 2018).
- LGBTQ youth spent an average of 4.2 years in the child welfare system. (Mallon et al., 2002)
- LGBTQ youth experience verbal and physical harassment at a higher frequency in CWS. (Mallon, 1998).
- LGBTQ youth have poor outcomes regarding mental health, homelessness, substance abuse, education and permanency compared to non-LGBTQ foster youth. (Dettlaff et al., 2018).

Department head or designee name: _____

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Department contact for questions: _____

County Counsel approval as to legal form:

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