

**INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN
PINELLAS COUNTY AND THE
PINELLAS COUNTY PUBLIC DEFENDER FOR
JUVENILE CROSSOVER CASE MANAGERS**

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into this ____ day of _____, 2019 by and between PINELLAS COUNTY, a political subdivision of the State of Florida (hereinafter called the "COUNTY", and Bob Dillinger, Public Defender for the Sixth Judicial Circuit, an independent constitutional officer for Pinellas County (hereinafter called "PD").

W I T N E S S E T H:

WHEREAS, the PD participates in a Juvenile Crossover Court program that serves Foster Children that are residents of the COUNTY; and

WHEREAS, the COUNTY desires to supplement the funding received by the PD to address the high turnover rate for Case Managers serving Foster Children in COUNTY,

WHEREAS, the best interests of the COUNTY and the PD are served by making efficient use of existing expertise and resources; and

WHEREAS, both the COUNTY and the PD have the authority to enter into an Interlocal Agreement pursuant to Section 163.01, Florida Statutes.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements hereinafter contained, it is agreed by and between the parties hereto as follows:

1. Scope of Services

The PD shall:

- a) Provide two (2) Case Managers to serve Foster Children assigned to the Juvenile Crossover Court program to perform case management services as required by the Juvenile Crossover Court program. (Exhibit 1 Attached)
- b) Provide services in a manner consistent with expenditures required for maintenance of this program (Exhibit 1 attached).
- c) Inform the COUNTY in a timely manner of any circumstances or events which may reasonably jeopardize the ability to meet PD's obligations under this Agreement.

2. Time and Performance

The services of the PD shall commence October 1, 2019, and shall be completed no later than September 30, 2020.

3. Compensation

- a) The COUNTY shall deposit into the Grants and Donations Trust Fund of the Public Defender, Sixth Judicial Circuit's state budget, the sum of \$146,000 to be used to fund two (2) positions listed in the budget narrative for this program (Exhibit 1 attached).
- b) The COUNTY and PD shall retain all records relating to this Interlocal Agreement for three (3) years after final payment is made. All records shall be subject to audit by the COUNTY.

4. Termination

- a) The County reserves the right to cancel this Agreement without cause by giving thirty (30) days written notice to PD, or with cause if at any time PD fails to fulfill or abide by any of the terms or conditions specified. Failure of PD to comply with any of the provisions of this Agreement shall be considered a material breach of the Agreement and shall be cause for immediate termination of the Agreement at the discretion of the County.
- b) In the event of termination without cause, the County shall notify PD and the Agreement shall terminate on the last day of the month in which the thirty (30) day notice referred to above expires without penalty or expense to the County.
- c) In the event PD shall use any funds provided by this Agreement for any purpose or program other than authorized under this Agreement, PD shall, at the option of the County, repay such amount and be deemed to have waived the privileges of receiving funds under this Agreement.
- d) Upon termination, the PD shall return all funds received that are determined by the County to have not been expended for a purpose provided for within the Scope of Services as provided for in Section 1 of this Agreement.

5. Indemnification

The COUNTY and PD agree to be fully responsible for their own acts of negligence, or their respective agents' acts of negligence when acting within the scope of their employment, and agree to be liable for any damages resulting from said negligence. Nothing herein is to be intended to serve as a waiver of sovereign immunity by either the COUNTY or PD. Nothing herein shall be construed as consent by the COUNTY or PD to be sued by third parties in any manner arising out of this Agreement.

6. Assignments

The PD shall not assign the responsibility of this Agreement to another party without prior written approval of the COUNTY. No such approval by the COUNTY of any assignment shall be deemed in any event or in any manner to provide for the incurrence of any obligation by the COUNTY in addition to the reimbursement obligation stated in this AGREEMENT. All such assignments shall be subject to the

conditions of this Agreement and to any conditions of approval that the COUNTY shall deem necessary.

7. Renewal

The PD and the COUNTY reserve the right to renew this Interlocal Agreement for up to three additional one-year terms.

8. Waiver

The waiver of either party of a breach or violation of any provision of this Agreement shall not operate as or be construed to be a waiver of any subsequent breach hereof.

9. Amendments

No amendments to this Agreement may be made without prior written approval of the PD and the COUNTY.

The laws of the State of Florida shall govern this Agreement.


<< Signatures on following page>>

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this instrument to be executed the day and year first above written.

PINELLAS COUNTY, FLORIDA by and through its Board of County Commissioners

By: _____
Karen Williams Seel, Chair

Bob Dillinger, Public Defender for the Sixth Judicial Circuit

By:  _____
Public Defender

APPROVED AS TO FORM


By:  _____
Office of the County Attorney

Exhibit 1
Juvenile Crossover Case Manager

Personnel Budget Request FY 2019-2020

<u>Personnel</u> Case Manager (1 FTE)	\$38,937.00/year \$3,244.75 mo. x 12	\$38,937.00
(Salary)		\$38,937.00
<u>Fringe</u> FICA 7.65%	\$248.22 mo. x 12	\$2,978.64
Worker's Compensation 2.5%	\$0	\$0
Unemployment		
Insurance-Health	\$1,473.18 x 12	\$17,678.16
Life Insurance	\$3.58/mo. x 12	\$42.96
Retirement	8.26% of Eligible Salaries \$268.02 x 12	\$3,216.24
Fringe		\$23,916.00
Salary and Fringe		\$62,853

ITEM	RATE	COST	GRAND TOTAL
General Office Supply	\$55/mo. x 12 mo.	\$660	
Postage	\$40/mo. x 12 mo.	\$480	
Laptop Computer	\$1,100	\$1,100	
Printer	\$450	\$450	
Copies	9,000 x .15/copy	\$1350	
Cell Phone	\$66.20/mo. x 12 mo.	\$794.40	
Mileage	\$439.83 x 12 mo.	\$5,312.60	
	Total	\$10,147	\$73,000 per FTE

\$146,000 for 2 FTE

3.6% COLA

The 2 (two) Case Managers will work with Foster Children who have been assigned to an Assistant Public Defender (APD) in the Juvenile Crossover Court.

There are currently 2,652 Foster Children in Pinellas/Pasco Counties. The Eckerd Community Alternative Program (ECAP) is the only agency that is assigned to assist these children. The turnover rate for Case Managers with ECAP is 73%¹. Case Managers are often the only adult support these children have in their lives. This is the primary factor leading these children to become involved in the Crossover Court System.

¹ Source: FSFM, Children Active Receiving In-Home or Out-of-Home Services/ February 2017