December 1, 2010 **Agenda Item 13.0: MOU with Downtown Partnership for Social Support Services**

TO: **Sacramento Public Library Authority Board Members**

FROM: **Rivkah K. Sass, Library Director**

RE: **MOU with Downtown Partnership for Social Support Services**

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

1. **Approve** a contract with the Sacramento Downtown Partnership to provide Navigator services for the period January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011, in an amount not to exceed $57,000.

2. **Authorize** the Library Director to sign all documents related to this contract within the approved terms and consistent with the requirements of the Authority's Contracts and Procurement Policy.

REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION

The Sacramento Public Library is requesting approval to contract with the Downtown Sacramento Partnership for a Downtown Navigator who will be based in the Library and reach out to homeless patrons. The individual will work with homeless patrons to navigate the various systems of care and housing to establish a long-term stable living environment.

The Navigator is responsible for working in partnership with Sacramento's Continuum of Care, law enforcement, mental health providers and other social service agencies. The incumbent provides clients with resources and information to access services and other benefits unique to the segment of the population that is homeless or in transition.

This is a new service for the Library and one that the Downtown Sacramento Partnership is uniquely qualified to provide.

Funding for this contract was included in the FY 2010-11 Final Budget approved by the Board on September 23, 2010.

ATTACHMENTS

None.

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