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SANTA CLARA COUNTY JUVENILE COURT  
MEMORADUM OF UNDERSTANDING

This Operational Agreement stands as evidence that Child Advocates of Silicon Valley (Child Advocates) and the Santa Clara County Juvenile Court intend to work together toward the mutual goal of providing stability and hope to abused and neglected children in Santa Clara County. Both agencies believe that the Child Advocates Program, as described herein, will further this goal. By executing this memorandum of understanding, each party hereby agrees to participate in the program by coordinating/providing the following services:

- The Juvenile Court will support Child Advocates' service provision by:
  - Referring children and youth 1-18 years old for Child Advocates services.
  - Giving special attention to referring 16-18 year old dependent youth to the Child Advocates program for successful transition services.
  - Assisting with the ongoing efforts of Child Advocates staff to recruit, train and match volunteers to children and youth in the dependency system.
  - Having an open door policy to allow for maximum communication between the courts and other legal parties and the Child Advocates program staff.
  - Working with Child Advocates on meeting the needs of youth by supporting the Child Advocates program and its volunteers as defined by the Welfare and Institutions Code, section 100.

We, the undersigned, as authorized representatives of Child Advocates and the Santa Clara County Juvenile Court do hereby approve this document.

For Gisela B. Bushey  
Gisela B. Bushey  
Executive Director, Child Advocates

For Katherine Lucero  
The Honorable Katherine Lucero  
Presiding Juvenile Court Judge

Date 7-10-2006

Date 7/11/06