



**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER**

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: ADMHS
Department No.: 043
For Agenda Of: June 25, 2013
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Time: 30 minutes
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Dr. Takashi Wada, Interim Director
Director(s) Alcohol, Drug & Mental Health Services (ADMHS)
Contact Info: 568-5232
SUBJECT: ADMHS Contract Award – TriWest Group, LLC/ZiaPartners, Inc.

County Counsel Concurrence:

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence:

As to form: Yes

Other: Risk Management:

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- A. Approve the attached contract with TriWest Group, LLC/ZiaPartners, Inc. (not a local vendor), in the amount of not to exceed \$129,190 for TriWest Group, LLC/ZiaPartners, Inc. and;
- B. Determine that these activities are exempt from California Environmental Quality Act review per CEQA Guideline Section 15061(b) (3).

Summary Text:

This item is on the agenda in order for the Board of Supervisors to award a contract in the amount (not to exceed) \$129,190 to TriWest Group, LLC/ZiaPartners, Inc. (TriWest/Zia) for the purpose of providing consulting services for the system change processes and implementation of the recommendations regarding Alcohol, Drug & Mental Health Services Assessment of inpatient and outpatient services and business practices. The scope of work is provided via Exhibit A.

Background:

On May 21, 2013, the Board of Supervisors authorized staff to formally begin the implementation of recommended actions provided by TriWest and Health Management Associates regarding their collective assessment of Alcohol, Drug & Mental Health Services inpatient and outpatient services and business practices. The major activities of the next project will include utilization of TriWest/Zia technical skills to ensure the appropriate processes, systems and resources are in place to aggressively drive implementation of the recommendations as well as concentrate on the capability of the existing system to provide appropriately matched recovery and results oriented integrated services. This engagement will build on the work done previously by TriWest/Zia during the initial department/systems assessment and focus on the necessary consultation, technical assistance and critical

training to Santa Barbara County staff for the purposes of holistically implementing recommendations of collective reports and better integrate the Santa Barbara County behavioral health system.

In the context of the broader systems change and improvement plans, TriWest/Zia will provide system program and service consultation, technical assistance, front line staff training, and the organization and development of a systems change teams to promote the implementation of best practices across all programs. The scope of work is provided in Exhibit A. The consulting team will continue to work in collaboration with the County Executive Office; however, this phase of work will be supervised on a day to day basis by the Chief Operating Officer presently within the Alcohol, Drug & Mental Health Services Department.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Funding for the contract in the amount of (not to exceed) \$129,190 is proposed within the FY13/14 budget adoption. This item is budgeted in Fund 0044, LIA 7460, and Program 2100 for TriWest.

Special Instructions:

Direct the Clerk of the Board to execute the two original contracts (attached) and send a copy of the minute order and one fully executed contract to:

Alcohol, Drug & Mental Health Services
Attn.: Mike Evans, CFO

Attachment:

Contract (including Scope of Work)

cc:

Terri Nisich, Assistant County Executive Officer
Ted Myers, Chief Operating Officer - ADMHS
Mike Evans, Chief Financial Officer – ADMHS