

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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Department Name: County Executive

Office

Department No.: 012

For Agenda Of: May 7, 2024

Placement: Administrative

If Yes, date from:

Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Department Mona Miyasato, County Executive Officer, 568-3400

Director(s)

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SUBJECT: First Amendment to South Coast Youth Safety Partnership Agreement with

Community Action Commission

County Counsel Concurrence

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: Risk Management

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Approve, ratify, and authorize the Chair to execute a First Amendment to Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor, referenced as BC#22019, with the South Coast Youth Safety Partnership's host agency, Community Action Commission of Santa Barbara County, doing business as CommUnify, for Fiscal Years 2020-21, 2021-22, and 2022-23, to revive and extend the agreement term through June 30, 2023, and increase the contract amount by \$15,500.60 for a total contract amount not to exceed amount of \$112,608.60; and
- b) Determine that the action above is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3), finding that the activities are covered by the general rule that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment, and where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activities in questions may have a significant effect on the environment, the activities are not subject to CEQA.

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Summary Text: The County is a funder of the South Coast Youth Safety Partnership, along with the south coast cities of Santa Barbara, Goleta and Carpinteria, providing an annual amount of \$48,554 (based on our proportional share of population). Because of the COVID pandemic and staffing changes at the Partnership, no request for the funding was made of the County nor agreement developed for FY 2022-23. The Partnership now wishes to receive payment for FY2022-23, and is reducing the request to \$15,550 (offset by County funds received from prior years). The agreement for FY2023-24 is being developed and will be brought to the board before the close of the fiscal year.

With this increase, the contract reflects past payments, for a total contract amount of \$112,608.60 (Attachment B). The South Coast Youth Safety Partnership includes the County and Cities of Santa Barbara, Goleta and Carpinteria and endeavors to develop and coordinate regional strategies to reduce youth gang violence.

Background:

The South Coast Youth Safety Partnership's mission is to reduce gang violence and the number of active youth gang members. The Partnership members meet quarterly. The Partnership includes an executive council and a strategy team and collaborates with a service provider network. The work of the Partnership is set forth in its Guiding Principles and Vision Statement which are part of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) (Attachment D) between the partner agencies and coordinated thru CommUnify. Major activities include:

- Providing services to youth actively involved in gangs or those identified as potential gang members
- Advocating for a youth gang case worker to be placed in every school
- Working with the community to obtain resources to address unmet needs
- Establishing a mechanism for early identification of potential gang members
- Reducing gang violence through coordinating with service providers on gang violence prevention, intervention, and suppression services

Local government, including the County, are sponsors of the Partnership and provide funding on a cost-share basis. The County's portion is based on the 2020 unincorporated South County population. The funds were included in the County's adopted budget. The Board adopted the MOU and Agreement (Attachment A) with CommUnify, acting as host agency for SCYSP, on January 11, 2022 for FY 20-21 and FY 21-22. This Board Action is a request to extend and increase the Agreement by \$15,500.60 to provide an additional year of service as the prior Agreement terminated on June 30, 2022. The FY 22-23 increased cost is offset by prior year unused fund balance from prior year's contributions from partners and the breakdown is reflected in the attached invoice (Attachment C).

During FY 22-23 the SCYSP had a change in leadership. As a result, the partners are in discussions for improvement and development of new strategic priorities in order to update the MOU for FY 23-24 and beyond. Staff will return to the Board with an updated MOU and Agreement for the current fiscal year (FY 23-24) and future years once they are completed. Additionally, the SCYSP is hoping to support growth in north county of this collaborative approach and assisting potential partners to continue coordinating regional strategies to reduce youth gang violence.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

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The \$112,608.60 contract reflects the following payments:

FY 2020-21: \$48,554 (previously paid) FY 2021-22: \$48,554 (previously paid)

FY 2022-23: \$15,500.60 (requested per this contract amendment) FY 2023-24: Not included in this amendment. Request still pending.

Fiscal Analysis:

Funding Sources	<u>Previous 2020-</u> <u>2022 Costs</u>		Total Current Agreement Cost	
General Fund	\$	97,108.00	\$	112,608.60
State				
Federal				
Fees				
Other:				
Total	\$	97,108.00	\$	112,608.60

Special Instructions:

Please execute two (2) original First Amendments to Agreement with CommUnify and retain one (1) original First Amendment to Agreement and one (1) Minute Order for pick-up by the department.

Attachments:

Attachment A: Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor with Community Action Commission of Santa Barbara County, doing business as CommUnify (BC22019)

Attachment B: First Amendment of Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor with Community Action Commission of Santa Barbara County, doing business as CommUnify

Attachment C: Invoice Request

Attachment D: South Coast Youth Safety Partnership's Memorandum of Understanding

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