



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Submitted on:
(COB Stamp)

Department Name: Behavioral Wellness
Department No.: 043
Agenda Date: November 4, 2025
Placement: Administrative Agenda
Estimated Time: N/A
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from: N/A
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Director: Antonette Navarro, LMFT, Director,
Department of Behavioral Wellness
Contact: Melissa Wilkins. MPH, CADC-II, CCPS, Branch Chief of Alcohol and Drug
Programs, Department of Behavioral Wellness
SUBJECT: Third Amendment to the Services Agreement with Pacific Pride Foundation for
Substance Use Prevention Services for Fiscal Year 2023-27

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: Risk Management

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Approve, ratify, and authorize the Chair to execute a Third Amendment to the Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor (BC 23-040) with **Pacific Pride Foundation**, a local vendor, to update certain standard provisions and general Alcohol and Drug Program provisions for compliance with federal and state requirements; terminate the Syringe Services program, effective November 15, 2025; add the Opioid Overdose Prevention and Reversal Services program, effective October 1, 2025; and make concomitant updates to the schedule of rates and entity budget by program tables with no change to the total maximum contract amount of **\$280,442** and the contract term of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2027;
- i) Approve, ratify, and authorize the Director of the Department of Behavioral Wellness' issuance of a Notice of Intent to Partially Terminate the Agreement (Attachment E);
- ii) Approve and authorize the Director of Behavioral Wellness' issuance of a Notice of Partial Termination of the Agreement (Attachment F);

- iii) Approve, ratify, and authorize the Director of Behavioral Wellness or designee to take actions necessary for the partial wind-down of the Agreement, subject to the Board's ability to rescind this delegated authority at any time; and
- b) Determine that the above-recommended actions are not a project that is subject to environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15378(b)(4), finding that the actions are governmental funding mechanisms and/or fiscal activities that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment.

Summary Text:

The Board of Supervisors is requested to authorize the Chair to execute the Third Amendment to the Agreement for Services with Pacific Pride Foundation (PPF) for the provisions of comprehensive Alcohol and Drug Program (ADP) services to update certain federal and State terms, as well as general ADP provisions, to terminate the Syringe Services Program (SSP) effective November 15, 2025, to add the Opioid Overdose Prevention and Reversal Services program effective October 1, 2025, and to replace the schedule of rates and entity budget by program tables to reflect the updated dates due to termination and addition of programs, without any change to the total maximum contract amount of \$280,442, for the period of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2027. The Opioid Overdose Prevention Services shall provide Overdose Prevention and Reversal Services which include outreach, training and education on overdose prevention and reversal and, the distribution of Opioid overdose reversal medications (OORMs). This Third Amendment is required to bring BWell's services and spending into alignment with federal regulations. The current amendment will align with Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) guidance dated July 29, 2025.

Discussion:

To align with regulatory requirements, the Agreement is being amended to terminate the Syringe Service Program (SSP) and replace it with the Opioid Overdose Reversal and Prevention Program. The formal contract amendment to discontinue the Syringe Service Program (SSP) will be effective November 15, 2025. This Third Amendment will allow funding to be utilized for substance use disorder prevention, treatment and evidence-based programs with a focus on life-saving overdose prevention and response services, consistent with Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)'s focus.

Background:

On June 27, 2023 the Board of Supervisors approved to execute an Agreement for Services with PPF for FY 2023-27, for the provision of countywide Outreach and Targeted Cultural Competency Trainings, Opioid Overdose Prevention upon winning a bid for the BWell ADP Request for Proposal (RFP) for Outreach and Targeted Cultural Competency Trainings, Opioid Overdose Prevention and Reversal Program Services, and Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) Early Intervention Services. Outreach and Targeted Cultural Competency Trainings were delivered to reduce health disparities and promote recovery from substance use disorders, to the LGBTQ+ community living with addiction and in recovery, throughout Santa Barbara County. Opioid Overdose Prevention and Reversal trainings were provided throughout the county to increase knowledge on and awareness of opioid overdose, expand access to Naloxone/Narcan, and reduce overdose fatalities to vulnerable populations.

On June 19, 2024, Behavioral Health Information Notice (BHIN) 24-024 outlined the United States' Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) requirements of how to utilize federal SUBG funding to support existing SSP services within the State of California. On

November 5, 2024, the First Amendment to the Agreement was approved by the Board of Supervisors to refocus services consistent with the June 2024 federal requirements. The Amendment terminated Outreach and Targeted Cultural Competency Training services effective September 30, 2024; terminated ADP Opioid Overdose Prevention and Reversal Services effective September 30, 2024; and instated SSP services, funded by Substance Use Block Grant (SUBG), (formerly known as Substance Abuse Block Grant). Pacific Pride's Syringe Services Program included distribution of Naloxone and Opioid Overdose Prevention training to individuals receiving SSP services. Pacific Pride already had an established SSP Program and were the only State approved Syringe Exchange Program in Santa Barbara County, which was a requirement to access SUBG funding.

On April 8, 2025, the Second Amendment was approved by the Board of Supervisors, to update the Entity Budget by Program table, to add the Federal Award Identification table for FY 2025-26, and to update certain standard terms and federal award identification information in compliance with State and federal requirements.

On July 29, 2025, SAMHSA released a directive to discontinue the use of federal funding for certain opioid overdose prevention services, including syringe exchange programs. This Third Amendment shall bring this Agreement into compliance with this directive, by terminating the Syringe Service Program (SSP), and instating the Opioid Overdose Prevention Services, which align with SAMHSA's focus on prevention, treatment and long-term recovery.

Performance Measure:

The program goals for Opioid Overdose Prevention and Reversal Services include increasing access and use of Naloxone/Narcan for people who have a high risk of overdose, and to decrease the number of deaths by opioid overdose. Performance Measures can be found in Exhibit E, of the Agreement.

Performance Outcomes:

FY 2024-25:

PPF had performance outcomes in each of the following areas: Outreach & Targeted Cultural Competency Trainings and Opioid Overdose Prevention & Reversal services. The Syringe Services Program All performance measures were met during FY 2024-25 as summarized below:

Outreach & Targeted Cultural Competency Trainings: All 4 of their goals were met with 311 community-based organizations (CBO) staff trained and post-surveys indicating increased knowledge among training participants. Goals met included CBO trainings, provision of training sessions for County staff and community parties around LGBTQ+ cultural competencies and increased average knowledge of Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity (SO/GI) and Welcoming Practices.

Opioid Overdose Prevention and Reversal Services: All 3 of their goals were met in this area with opioid overdose prevention and reversal services provided both to community organizations and individual community members. Goals met included provision of training session on house of Naloxone/Narcan kits, distribution of Narcan kits and documenting known reversals.

Syringe Services Program: All 4 of their goals were met or exceeded in this area. The SSP Program exceeded outcomes for supplies provided. Goals met included distribution of sterile needles and Naloxone/Narcan at public events, referral of members to SUD, MAT, MH, primary care services and HIV testing and treatment, training to reduce risk the spread of HIV and viral hepatitis and use of Naloxone/Narcan, and documentation and report implementation of SSP program components.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

Fiscal Analysis:

Funding Sources	FY 2023-24	FY 2024-25	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-27	Total
Federal	\$88,000	\$68,484	\$61,979	\$61,979	\$280,442
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The above referenced contract is funded with federal Substance Use and Prevention Treatment Block Grant (SUBG) funding for Outreach and Targeted Cultural Competency Trainings (July 1, 2023 - September 30, 2024), Syringe Services Program (October 1, 2024 – November 15, 2025), and Opioid Overdose Prevention and Reversal Services (July 1, 2023 – September 30, 2024, and October 1, 2025 – June 30, 2027). Funding was included in the Adopted Budgets for FY 2023-24, FY 2024-25, and FY 2025-26. Funding will be included in BWell’s proposed budget for FY 2026-27 but remains contingent on the Board of Supervisors’ approval.

Special Instructions:

Please email one (1) complete, executed copy of the above Third Amendment and one (1) Minute Order to mcastillo@sbcbswell.org and to bwelcontractsstaff@sbcbswell.org.

Attachments:

Attachment A – Pacific Pride Foundation FY 2023-27 BC Third Amendment

Attachment B – Pacific Pride Foundation FY 2023-27 BC Second Amendment, Executed

Attachment C – Pacific Pride Foundation FY 2023-27 BC First Amendment, Executed

Attachment D – Pacific Pride Foundation FY 2023-27 Board Contract (BC 23-040), Executed

Attachment E – Pacific Pride Foundation Notice of Intent to Terminate

Attachment F – Pacific Pride Foundation Notice of Termination

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