



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: Social Services
Department No.: 044
For Agenda Of: June 28, 2022
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Time: NA
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Department Daniel Nielson, Social Services Director
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SUBJECT: Sub-recipient Grant Agreement with Cottage Health to implement Adverse Childhood Experiences Aware Training

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Select_Concurrence

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Select_Concurrence

Other Concurrence: Risk Management

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Approve, ratify and authorize the Department of Social Services Director, or designee, to execute the Adverse Childhood Experiences Aware 2021/2022 Sub-recipient Grant Agreement (Attachment 1) to receive Funds in the amount of \$79,535 for the period of September 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022; and
- b) Determine that the approval and execution of the Sub-recipient Grant Agreement is not the approval of 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 project is a creation of a governmental funding mechanism or other government fiscal activity, which does not involve any commitment to any specific project which may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment.

Summary Text:

This item is on the agenda in order to approve and authorize the County of Santa Barbara Department of Social Services (DSS) Director, or designee, to execute the Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) Aware 2021- 2022 Sub-recipient Grant Agreement (Attachment 1) between the DSS KIDS Network and Cottage Health (Cottage) to support ACEs Aware training. The Sub-recipient Grant Agreement will be administered by the DSS KIDS Network, Resilient Santa Barbara County (KIDS/RSBC) project.

The ACEs Aware initiative is a first in the nation effort to encourage healthcare providers to recognize the importance of screening for ACEs and connecting families to trauma-informed community-based services and supports. The movement to address ACEs has grown in Santa Barbara County, and local collaboration and expertise has attracted additional funding from California's ACEs Aware Initiative. KIDS/RSBC is a lead entity in the Cottage Health Network of Care Implementation Grant, along with the Pediatric Resiliency Collaborative (PeRC). In this effort to integrate healthcare and human services, RSBC represents cross-sector community-based human service organizations that are supporting children and families in Santa Barbara County. The purpose of the grant is to build capacity for these organizations to provide trauma-informed services and support, and to link community-based organizations to local healthcare partners. Funding is being awarded to KIDS/RSBC to support network development through leadership and training activities that utilize the science of ACEs to enhance services and create systems change across Santa Barbara County.

Background

DSS KIDS Network was established by the County Board of Supervisors to coordinate collaborative efforts for children, youth and families across Santa Barbara County in the areas of health, human services, education and juvenile justice. The science of ACEs influences each of these sectors, and has emerged as a platform for collaboration throughout the state of California and across the nation.

In April of 2018, a group of 40 community leaders endorsed the need for a multi-year, cross sector plan for organizing countywide ACEs efforts. KIDS Network became the hub for this work. When the countywide plan launched, the Santa Barbara County ACEs Connection initiative was renamed "Resilient Santa Barbara County."

In Fiscal Year (FY) 2020/2021, the California Office of the Surgeon General and the Department of Health Care Services made grant funds available to support the work of the statewide ACEs Aware initiative. The pace of the ACEs Aware initiative has been swift and ambitious. KIDS Network/RSBC and Cottage / PeRC were both completing separate Round One grants (awarded for FY 2020/2021) when a second Request For Proposals was released.

Cottage identified RSBC and PeRC as lead entities in the Network of Care Implementation grant proposal. The purpose of the new project was to support expansion and integration of the two networks (RSBC and PeRC). PeRC would continue to support a growing number of local primary care physicians who were screening for ACEs and connecting clinics to community resource navigators. RSBC would provide training and support for community partners who could receive referrals and offer trauma-informed interventions.

RSBC and PeRC contributed to the collaborative proposal, and Cottage was awarded an implementation grant, with work set to begin in January 2021 (running concurrently with the prior grant). During the execution of the new contract, ACEs Aware indicated that the training plan proposed by RSBC would need to be redesigned, as they had strict guidelines about approved curricula and training methodology. This proved to be a time-consuming process of meeting with other Round One ACEs Aware grantees who had developed approved trainings, vetting those trainings for alignment with Santa Barbara County's training objectives, and simultaneously seeking permission to adapt the certified and clinically oriented PeRC Core Training to be aligned with the work of community partners. This process delayed the Sub-recipient Grant Agreement development with Cottage. To comply with the grant timeline and

deliverables, KIDS/RSBC continued to support the project as the details of the budget and the training plan were negotiated.

Performance Measure:

KIDS/RSBC will meet the deliverables for the ACEs Aware Network of Care Grant requirements as outlined in the Exhibit A, based on Cottage agreement with Aurrera Health (Attachment 1).

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

Fiscal Analysis:

<u>Funding Sources</u>	<u>Current FY Cost:</u>	<u>Annualized On-going Cost:</u>	<u>Total One-Time Project Cost</u>
General Fund			
State			
Federal			
Fees			
Other:	\$ 79,535.00		\$ 79,535.00
Total	\$ 79,535.00	\$ -	\$ 79,535.00

Narrative:

DSS has sufficient appropriation to support the payment of eligible grant activity costs. Under the terms of the Sub-recipient Grant Agreement, Cottage will pay DSS upon successful completion of project deliverables. Additionally, KIDS/RSBC will provide in-kind support to the Network of Care Implementation Grant. In-kind support is being funded with existing sources; there is no impact to the General Fund.

Legal Positions:

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FTEs:

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Special Instructions:

Please email a copy of the minute order to:

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Attachments:

- Attachment 1 – ACEs Aware 2021- 2022 Sub-recipient Grant Agreement

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