

**SANTA BARBARA COUNTY
BOARD AGENDA LETTER**



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TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Charlene Chase, Director
Social Services Department

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SUBJECT: Agreement with Allan Hancock College for the Provision of
Licensed Vocational Nurse Training and Retention Services through the Nurse
Workforce Initiative

Recommendation(s):

That the Board of Supervisors: Execute an agreement with Allan Hancock College, a local vendor to provide training and retention services under the Nurse Workforce Initiative for the period of April 1, 2003 – July 1, 2005 not to exceed \$200,000.

Alignment with Board Strategic Plan:

The recommendation is primarily aligned with Goal No. 7: Families and Children – A community that fosters the safety and well-being of families and children.

Executive Summary and Discussion:

The Workforce Investment Board of Santa Barbara County has been awarded a \$2,100,000 multi-year regional grant from the State Workforce Investment Division to increase the number of licensed nurses in Santa Barbara, Ventura, and San Luis Obispo Counties.

A component of this Nurse Workforce Initiative is agreements with local providers and our regional partners in the tri-county area. The overall primary outcome of the project is to increase the local nursing industry by 185 new licensed nurses in the tri-county area. The contract with Allan Hancock College activities include:

- ❖ Increasing academic support to existing students to decrease attrition rate in the LVN program

- ❖ Aggressive marketing of the nursing program to tap into underserved areas
- ❖ Expanding the capacity of the nursing program
- ❖ Advocating for health careers with high school students in Santa Maria

The table listed below details the name of all the contractors, the amount of the contract, and the expected outcomes.

Contractor	Amount	Outcomes
Santa Barbara Community College District (SBCC)*	\$200,000	65 New Licensed Vocational Nurses
Allan Hancock College	\$200,000	11 New Licensed Vocational Nurses 8 New Registered Nurses Health Careers Survey with Santa Maria HS
Cottage Health Systems*	\$143,700	26 New Registered Nurses
Ventura County* Moorpark College Ventura College Simi Valley	\$805,520	33 New Registered Nurses 21 New Registered Nurses 30 New Licensed Vocational Nurses
San Luis Obispo PIC* Cuesta College	\$277,807	12 New Registered Nurses 12 New Bachelor of Science Nurses

* These contracts were approved by the Board of Supervisors on May 27, 2003.

Mandates and Service Levels:

To alleviate the statewide nursing shortages the Governor created the Nurse Workforce Initiative - a competitively awarded program utilizing 15% Discretionary Workforce Investment Act Funds. Grant funds awarded to San Luis Obispo, Ventura and Santa Barbara Counties will result in 185 graduates who will be readily employable in our communities after receiving their state licenses.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

This contract is 100% funded by 15% Discretionary Workforce Investment Act Funds. There will be no County General Funds used to support this program. The appropriations for this contract is included in both the 2002/2003 approved budget and the 2003/2004 recommended budget. They are shown on D-200 of our current approved budget.

Special Instructions:

After execution by the Chair, please return one (1) originally-signed agreement for the Contractor, the Department copy of the agreement, and one (1) copy of the minute order attention: Hilary Yost.

Concurrence:

Auditor-Controller
County Counsel
Risk Management