



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

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Agenda Number:

Submitted on:
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Department Name: County Health Department
Department No.: 041
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Placement: Administrative Agenda
Estimated Time:
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Mouhanad Hammami, Director, County Health Department
Contact: Paola Hurtado, Division Chief of Primary Care and Family Health
SUBJECT: Good Samaritan Shelter Agreement for Substance Abuse Screening, Referral, and Treatment for the Homeless Population

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 and authorize the Chair to execute an Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor with Good Samaritan Shelter to provide substance abuse screening, referral, and treatment for the homeless population, in the amount not to exceed \$31,000, for the period of July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027 (Attachment A); and
- b) Determine that the recommended action is not a "Project" within the meaning of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and is exempt per CEQA Guideline Section 15378(b)(4), since the recommended action is the creation of a governmental funding mechanisms or other governmental fiscal activities that 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 to approve and authorize the Chair to execute an agreement with Good Samaritan Shelter to provide substance abuse screening, referral, and treatment for the homeless population in the County of Santa Barbara in the amount of \$31,000 for the performance period of July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027.

Discussion:

The County Health Department (CHD) has a contract with the Federal government through the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) to provide comprehensive, culturally competent, and high-quality primary healthcare services to medically underserved communities and vulnerable populations. This specific grant, known as the Healthcare for the Homeless Program, focuses on reaching out to homeless individuals and families by offering primary care and substance abuse services. To meet the extensive requirements of this grant, CHD establishes contracts with community partners, including Good Samaritan Shelter. Compliance with these grant requirements is crucial.

CHD is seeking Board approval to authorize the Chair to execute the agreement with Good Samaritan for FY 2026–2027 to provide substance abuse screening, referral, and treatment services for the homeless population in Santa Barbara County.

Background:

Good Samaritan Shelter is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation that provides the community with programs addressing homelessness as well as alcohol and substance abuse disorders, primarily serving individuals experiencing homelessness. Good Samaritan Shelter has been in operation since 1987 and provides housing and supportive services in locations across Santa Barbara County.

Good Samaritan Shelter provides residential and non-residential programs for homeless individuals in Santa Barbara County (Lompoc and Santa Maria.) Services provided include case management, substance abuse screening and treatment, mental health counseling and referrals, health care, and overnight sleeping accommodations. Various County departments, including Behavioral Wellness, Community Services, Probation, County Health, and Social Services, work with Good Samaritan Shelter to provide direct services to homeless individuals.

On September 20, 2016, the Board approved the FY 2016-2017 Good Samaritan Shelter Agreement (BC#17169) to provide substance abuse screening, referral, and treatment for the homeless population. The contract amount was \$15,000 for the period of July 1, 2016, through June 30, 2017.

From June 2017 to June 2025, the Board has approved 7 annual agreements between CHD and Good Samaritan (BC#18103, BC#19330, BC#20165, BC#21130, BC#22141, BC#23243 and BC#24183) with amounts ranging from \$15,000 to \$35,000.

An agreement was not executed for FY 2025-2026, as it was not finalized and submitted for Board of Supervisors review.

Performance Measure:

Performance measures and reporting requirements are included in the attached agreement and are monitored by program staff.

The monthly data report is measured through the following:

1. Month of Service
2. Contract Number
3. Number of unique patients served
4. Number of encounters
5. Demographic information
6. Type of primary addictions (alcohol or other substances)

Contract Renewals:

This agreement was assessed to be in a low-risk category because:

1. The agreement has a relatively small dollar amount and is considered short term
2. Good Samaritan has demonstrated good performance through contracts with County Health and other County departments
3. Program staff regularly assess performance to determine if services are adequately provided
4. Payment is provided after demonstration of reimbursable services
5. The agreement contains a termination for convenience clause

CHD will continue to monitor this contract for any risks in accordance with county policy.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Executing the Good Samaritan Shelter agreement will allow CHD to provide substance abuse screening, referral, and treatment for the homeless population in Santa Barbara County. The recommended budget for the agreement is \$31,000 which is fully funded by Healthcare for the Homeless and the Community Health Centers grant.

This agreement is supported by the Health and Human Resources Administration of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) as part of a financial assistance award totaling \$2,401,723 and is 100 percent funded by HRSA. The contents of this Board Letter are those of the author(s) and do not necessarily represent the official views of, nor an endorsement, by HRSA, HHS, or the U.S. Government. For more information, please visit HRSA.gov.

Fiscal Analysis:

Good Samaritan contract in the amount of \$31,000 is included in the FY 2026-2027 Recommended budget.

Funding Source	FY 2026-2027	Total
Federal	\$31,000	\$31,000
Total	\$31,000	\$31,000

Special Instructions:

Please execute two original agreements with Good Samaritan Shelter and retain one original agreement and one Minute Order for pick-up by the department. Please email phdcu@sbcphd.org when available for pickup.

Attachments:

Attachment A – Good Samaritan Agreement for Services

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