



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: Behavioral Wellness
Department No.: 043
For Agenda Of: August 14, 2018
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Time: N/A
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Alice A. Gleghorn PhD, Director
Director(s) Department of Behavioral Wellness, 681-5220
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**SUBJECT: Behavioral Wellness - Alcohol and Drug Program Contract, Pacific Pride
Foundation Inc., FY 18-21 Contract**

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 multiyear Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor with **Pacific Pride Foundation Inc.** (a local vendor), for provision of countywide Alcohol and Drug Outreach, Harm Reduction and Overdose Prevention services, not to exceed **\$88,000** per fiscal year, for a total contract amount not to exceed **\$264,000** for the period of July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2021.
- B. Determine that the above actions are organizational or administrative actions of government that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment, pursuant to section 15378(b)(5) of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) guidelines

Summary Text:

The Santa Barbara County Department of Behavioral Wellness provides a continuum of substance use disorder services to Santa Barbara County residents, in part through contracted providers including Community-Based Organizations (CBOs). The above referenced contract is on the agenda to request approval for a contract renewal with Pacific Pride Foundation Inc. (PPF), to provide necessary Alcohol and Drug Prevention Services. Approval of the recommended actions will allow Behavioral Wellness to continue to provide lifesaving overdose and substance use prevention services.

Background:

The country is fighting a nationwide opioid epidemic with opioid overdose (OD) deaths surpassing deaths from automobile accidents. Opioids include prescription pain pills and heroin. Santa Barbara reflects this trend with vast majority of the deaths in the County involving opioids. To address opioid abuse, Behavioral Wellness began providing alcohol and drug outreach, harm reduction and overdose prevention measures through training and distribution of the opioid antidote, Naloxone.

Since 1998, Behavioural Wellness has contracted with Pacific Pride Foundation (PPF), the foremost expert with over 40 years of experience in advocacy and education of the emerging needs of the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer/Questioning (LGBTQ+) community. With offices in Santa Barbara and Santa Maria, PPF has a strong presence in the community and is a respected leader providing high quality, compassionate health and social service programs not available through any other organization in the county.

With the LBGTQ+ community being twice as likely to abuse alcohol and substances, and with the rising concern over opioid overdoses and deaths in the County, in 2017 Behavioral Wellness contracted with PPF to provide two new services that focus on outreach and prevention through trainings to individuals and community members about the LGBTQ+ community. This training model has been highly successful throughout the Country in reducing harm. PPF provides trainings to support those struggling with substance dependency and provide Overdose (OD) Prevention and Reversal trainings. The training programs and harm reduction Naloxone distribution fills a much needed gap in prevention services for anyone struggling with substance dependency and the LGBTQ+ population. Pacific Pride Foundation provides county-wide alcohol and drug prevention outreach and harm reduction programs with a focus on LGBTQ+ issues.

LGBTQ+ Trainings

Training for LGBTQ+ individuals and community organizations is aimed at increasing cultural competence, awareness, education and understanding of specific issues and particular pressures surrounding the LGBTQ+ community in its relationship to alcohol and drug issues. The need for LGBTQ+ trainings will directly acknowledge and provide the unique and nuanced care necessary to create safe environments for, and assistance to, LGBTQ+ people living with addiction and in recovery. These trainings will focus on topics such as creating a safe environment, cultural competency and issues specific to the LGBTQ+ people for accessing services around alcohol and drug use.

Overdose Prevention and Reversal trainings

In 2010, to address the current opioid abuse problem in our county, Behavioral Wellness increased funding for opioid treatment and organized town hall meetings and forums on the dangers of prescription drug abuse. The County included prescription drug abuse as one of the four (4) top priorities in our Strategic Prevention Plan (SPP), FY 2012–2017 and again in FY 2017-2022 Behavioral Wellness began exploring successful prevention treatment options and training all contracted treatment providers to address opioid abuse, regardless of any client’s drug of choice (DOC). In addition, Behavioral Wellness created Policy and Procedures, modeled after the California Drug Overdose Treatment Liability Act, AB 635, signed into law on January 1, 2014 (Civil Code § 1714.22). Naloxone negates or neutralizes, in whole or part, the effects of opioids in the body. In addition, included in all ADP treatment provider contracts was OD awareness and prevention requirements.

This two-pronged approach to the most vulnerable population will provide a uniform method for a more positive outcome and will enhance services for those struggling with substance dependency. The prevention trainings are evidence-based and rely on a proactive methodology to address the opioid

epidemic in Santa Barbara. The use of Naloxone has already resulted in six (6) opioid overdose reversals in FY 16-17 and for FY 17-18 Year to date for Quarter 3, there have been 67 opioid reversals. Approval of the recommendation action will allow Behavioral Wellness to continue their outreach to the most vulnerable population to educate the community and to improve harm reduction through OD reversals.

Performance Goals and Measures:

The Pacific Pride contract has the following performance outcome and goals to measure success of the program includes but is not limited to the following:

1. Number of Prevention and Reversal trainings conducted;
2. Number of individuals educated about the opioid epidemic and opioids in general;
3. Number of individuals trained to train targeted individuals to use Naloxone reverse an OD;
4. Number of Naloxone kits distributed; and
5. Number of successful OD reversals.

The outcomes for FY 17-18 are the following:

Outreach

PPF provides outreach and trainings to increase knowledge around LGBTQ+ issues and specific to LGBTQ+ persons in recovery. Pacific Pride provided training to 2 (of an expected 20) CBO’s during Q1, Q2 and Q3. On average, participants had a 75.5% increase in knowledge regarding sexual orientation and gender identity, a 72% increase in knowledge of welcoming practices, and, a 61% increase knowledge of LGBTQ+ substance misuse.

Totals Q1, Q2, & Q3 2017-2018	Q1	Q2	Q3
Number of CBOs trained	0	0	2
Number of 3-hour training sessions	2	0	0
Number of clients	67	0	31

Harm Reduction:

PPF provides overdose prevention and reversal; they distribute of Naloxone/Narcan to clients, clients’ families and CBO’s and provide trainings on how to administer it in response to an overdose.

Totals Q1, Q2, & Q3 2017-2018	Q1	Q2	Q3
Educational Presentations	2	2	Not reported
Training Sessions	2	2	Not Reported
People Trained	31	36	54
Naloxone Kits distributed	67	78	167
Known Reversals	18	16	33

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

Fiscal Analysis:

<u>Funding Sources</u>	<u>FY 18-19</u> <u>Cost:</u>	<u>FY 19-20</u> <u>Cost:</u>	<u>FY 20-21</u> <u>Cost:</u>	<u>Overall Total</u> <u>Cost:</u>
General Fund				
State	\$ 88,000	\$ 88,000	\$ 88,000	
Federal				
Fees				
Other:				
Total	\$ 88,000	\$ 88,000	\$ 88,000	\$ 264,000.00

Narrative: The above referenced contracts are funded by State and Federal funds. The funding sources are included in the FY 2018-2019 Budget. Execution of this contract will not increase the use of general fund dollars by Behavioral Wellness. Future funding for subsequent years is contingent on the Board Budget approval.

Key Contract Risks:

As with any contract funded by State and Federal sources, there is a risk of future audit disallowances and repayments. Even with these measures, there is the risk that the State will disallow units of service or determine costs to be non-allowable, resulting in repayment. Behavioral Wellness contracts include language requiring contractors to repay any amounts disallowed in audit findings, minimizing financial risks to County.

Special Instructions:

Please email one (1) signature page and (1) Minute Order to Denise Morales at dmorales@co.santa-barbara.ca.us and one (1) signature page and (1) Minute Order to BWell Contracts Division at bwellcontractsstaff@co.santa-barbara.ca.us.

Attachments:

Attachment A: Pacific Pride FY 18-21 BC

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