



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: June 4, 2019
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Time:
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors

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SUBJECT: Behavioral Wellness 18-19 Contract Amendments and extensions into FY 19-20 –
Mental Wellness Center

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: Risk Management

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- A) Approve and authorize the Chair to execute a Second Amendment for Services of Independent Contractor with **Mental Health Association in Santa Barbara (dba Mental Wellness Center)**, to add new provisions and extend the term of the Agreement into Fiscal Year 19-20 for **\$2,041,075** for a new total contract amount of **\$4,932,596** for the period of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020.
- B) Determine that the above actions are government fiscal activities that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment, pursuant to section 15378(b)(4) of the California Environmental Act (CEQA) guidelines.

Summary Text:

This item is on the agenda to request authorization to amend the mental health contract with Mental Health Association in Santa Barbara (dba Mental Wellness Center) (MWC) in order to add new provisions and to extend the term of the Agreement into Fiscal Year 2019-2020 for \$2,041,075 for a new contract maximum not to exceed \$4,932,596. Approval of the recommended actions will allow Behavioral Wellness to continue to provide various specialty mental health services to children and

adults with serious emotional disturbances (SED), including mental health services such as therapy and rehabilitation services.

Background:

The contract being considered for approval allows MWC to provide residential and community mental health services to adults in the Santa Barbara area. MWC's Family Advocate offers services to families of clients with serious mental illness through education, support and linkage to resources. MWC currently provides services Intensive Residential through Casa Juana Maria and CG House programs in an Adult Residential Facility providing in-home rehabilitation and support services to residents. MWC also operates Alameda House, a residential program providing an adult housing program for individuals with Serious Mental Illness (SMI). This Fiscal Year, MWC will begin providing Adult Housing Supports Intensive Residential services through Polly House. The De La Vina House provides permanent housing single room occupancy for clients. This program provides greatly needed housing for the chronically homeless individuals who meet the Continuum of Care Shelter Plus care eligibility. Behavioral Wellness Homeless Outreach Worker and other Behavioral Wellness Contract providers refer clients who meet the criteria for placement. MWC also operates the Santa Barbara Recovery Learning Center that provides Consumer-Led Program that offers peer-support, self-help and connections to community resources, including health and wellness activities, as well as a Computer Lab for clients to have access to computers and learn related skills.

Contract Renewals and Performance Outcomes:

MWC provides services for individuals with Serious Mental Illness (SMI), including intensive residential services (Casa Juana Maria, Alameda House, Cottage Grove,), and wellness and recovery-oriented services, through the Recovery Learning Center (RLC), which also has a client-led computer lab. They also provide outreach, linkage, and recovery-oriented activities to family members of clients living with SMI through a Family Advocate. Finally, they oversee a permanent housing facility that uses the Housing First Model for chronically homeless individuals at Villa Vida.

MWC performed well in terms of achieving FY 18-19 contractual goals:

Residential Outcomes

Purposeful Activity: Our goal is to have clients engage in meaningful activities (working, in school/training, or volunteering). All housing programs had a goal that 30% of clients were engaged in meaningful activity; Casa Juana Maria and Villa Vida met this goal in both quarters; Cottage Grove met this goal in FY18-19 Q1 but not Q2; Alameda House did not meet this goal either quarter.

Stable/Permanent Housing: Our goal is for clients to maintain stable/permanent housing. All four housing programs had this goal; all met this goal.

Incarcerations: Our goal is minimal adverse life events, such as incarcerations. There was only one incarceration during FY18-19 Q2 that occurred at Villa Vida; otherwise, the other houses and quarters had no incarcerations.

Inpatient Care: Our goal is minimal adverse life events, such as inpatient admissions. Across both quarters, Casa Juana Maria had one admission (8.3% average), Alameda House had three admissions

(25% average), Cottage Grove had two admissions (16.6% average), and Villa Vida had no admissions. Thus, one program met, and one program functional met the goal, while two programs did not meet this goal.

Recovery Learning Center

Over FY 18-19 Q1 and Q2, the RLC (including the client-led computer lab) served 321 unduplicated underserved clients, had 9,643 client visits, held 72 group meetings, 18 classes, 18 outings and educational events, and linked 305 people to additional services.

Family Advocate

Over FY 18-19 Q1 and Q2, the Family Advocate served 192 unduplicated underserved clients, had 732 client visits, held 74 support group meetings, 9 educational events, and linked 85 people to additional services. Additionally, the Family Advocate served 8 unique individuals in Spanish.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

Fiscal Analysis:

Funding Sources	FY 18-19	FY 19-20
General Fund		
State	\$ 1,445,760.50	\$ 1,020,537.50
Federal	\$ 1,445,760.50	\$ 1,020,537.50
Fees		
Other:		
Total	\$ 2,891,521.00	\$ 2,041,075.00

Narrative: The above referenced contract is funded by State and Federal funds. The funding sources are included in the adopted FY 18-19 and FY 19-20 Proposed Budgets.

Key Contract Risks:

As with any contract funded with State and Federal sources, there is a risk of future audit disallowances and repayments through the State’s auditing process. This contract includes language requiring contractor to repay any amounts disallowed in audit findings, minimizing financial risks to County.

Special Instructions:

Please send one (1) signature page and one (1) minute order to: gilopez@co.santa-barbara.ca.us.

Attachments:

- Attachment A: MWC FY 18-20 Am 2
- Attachment B: MWC FY 18-19 BC 19-029

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