



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: October 3, 2023
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Time: N/A
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Antonette Navarro, LMFT, Director
Director(s) Department of Behavioral Wellness, (805) 681-5220
Contact Info: John Winkler, Division Chief of Crisis and Homeless Services
Department of Behavioral Wellness, (805) 681-5220
SUBJECT: **Advocates for Human Potential, Inc. Fiscal Years (FYs) 2021-2024 Grant Agreement, Modification #2 for Behavioral Health Justice Intervention Services**

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: Risk

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Approve, ratify, and authorize the Director of the Department of Behavioral Wellness or designee to execute **Modification #2 Behavioral Health Justice Intervention Services (BHJIS) Grant Agreement 7460-CA Mobile Crisis-SBCBWell-01G** with **Advocates for Human Potential, Inc. (AHP)**, a Massachusetts for-profit entity (not a local provider), serving as the California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) administrator for “Behavioral Health Mobile Crisis and Non-Crisis Services (Mobile Crisis)” Project No. 21-10349, to revise the Statement of Work and payment schedule with no change to the grant amount of **\$700,000** for the period of February 15, 2022, through December 31, 2023 (Attachment A);
- b) Determine that the above actions are government fiscal activities or funding mechanisms which do not involve any commitment to any specific project, which may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment, and are therefore not a project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to section 15378(b)(4) of the CEQA Guidelines.

Summary Text:

This item is on the agenda to request the Board of Supervisors (Board) to approve and authorize the Director of Behavioral Wellness (BWell) or designee to execute Modification #2 to the Advocates for Human Potential Behavioral Health Justice Intervention Services (BHJIS) Grant Agreement 7460-CA Mobile Crisis-SBCBWell-01G which revises the Statement of Work and the payment schedule to December 31, 2023. The grant amount of \$700,000 will not change and is for the provision of community collaboration to support individuals with mental and substance use disorders and divert such individuals from criminal justice involvement.

Background:

DHCS was allocated \$16.25 million of Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration funds through the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriation Act to implement BHJIS programs. DHCS contracted with Advocates for Human Potential as the administrative entity to assist DHCS in overseeing and implementing BHJIS projects. The purpose of the BHJIS is to support local efforts to improve first responder, law enforcement, and interagency efforts to address behavioral health.

In October 2022, the Board approved the Advocates for Human Potential BHJIS grant agreement to address critical intervention points through which individuals with mental health and substance abuse disorders can be diverted from criminal justice involvement. BWell is the lead department in overseeing the implementation of the project and provides day-to-day support and grant management, including fiscal and reporting coordination. BWell partners with law enforcement agencies, Public Defender, District Attorney, Probation, and community stakeholders to implement a three-pronged approach to support the implementation of a co-response program with the Santa Maria Police Department, create a sustainable Crisis Intervention Team training program to provide community members with Naloxone education, and identify a process for collecting and using data for cross-agency care coordination and program assessment.

In February 2023, Advocates for Human Potential issued Modification #1 to extend the period of performance to December 31, 2023 per the terms of the Grant Agreement. Modification #2 would allow BWell to revise the Statement of Work deliverable and payment schedule timeline due to delays in launching the grant.

Performance Outcomes:

To date, BWell has accomplished the following:

1. Staff have completed two Crisis Intervention Team trainings;
2. Several collaboration/coordination meetings with partner agencies and departments have taken place;
3. Management staff have attended the collaborative learning and coaching meetings; and
4. Work has begun with the consultant to create a Needs Assessment and Gap Analysis to identify and secure an external research and evaluation system to assist with data collection and reporting.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: No

Fiscal Analysis:

<u>Funding Sources</u>	<u>FY 22-23 Funding:</u>	<u>FY 23-24 Funding:</u>	<u>Total One-Time Grant FY 21-24:</u>
General Fund			
State			
Federal Grant	\$ 302,000	398,000	\$ 700,000
Fees			
Other:			
Total	\$ 302,000	\$ 398,000	\$ 700,000

Narrative: Funding for this program will come from the Federal Behavioral Health Justice Intervention Services grant. Funding was added to the FY 23-24 Adopted Budget.

Key Contract Risks:

The Agreement imposes procedural and reporting requirements that BWell will need to implement, which may be subject to future audit. Failure to fully comply with the reporting requirements detailed in the Agreement could result in the State withholding funding. If funding for any fiscal year is reduced or deleted by the State, the County may terminate the contract, or the contract may be amended.

Staffing Impacts:

Legal Positions:

N/A

FTEs:

N/A

Special Instructions:

Please return one (1) Minute Order to Amber Foschaar at cfoschaar@sbcbswell.org and the BWell Contracts Division at bwellcontractsstaff@sbcbswell.org.

Attachments:

Attachment A: AHP FY 21-24 – Modification #2 7460-CA Mobile Crisis-SBCBWELL-01G

Attachment B: AHP FY 21-24 – Modification #1 7460-CA Mobile Crisis-SBCBWELL-01G

Attachment C: AHP FY 21-23 7460-CA Mobile Crisis-SBCBWELL-01G

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