



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: July 3, 2018
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Time: N/A
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors

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SUBJECT: **Mental Health Association in Santa Barbara (dba Mental Wellness Center) FY 17-18 Third Amendment**

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 Third Amendment to the Agreement with **Mental Health Association in Santa Barbara County (dba Mental Wellness Center)** for FY 17-18, to add required Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) language and to require compliance with DHCS Agreement #17-94705 for Crisis Counseling services provided between February 15, 2018 and June 30, 2018, with no change to the total maximum contract amount.
- B. Determine that the approval of the recommended actions is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) per CEQA Guidelines Section 15378(b)(4) since the recommended actions are government fiscal activities which do not involve commitment to any specific project which may result in potentially significant physical impact on the environment.

Summary Text:

Due to the Thomas Fire and the Montecito Mudslide that occurred from December 2017 to January 2018, Behavioral Wellness began providing Crisis Counseling Services to Santa Barbara County community members from January 15, 2018 to February 15, 2018, and the Board approved transferring these services to MWC from February 15, 2018 to June 30, 2018. This agenda item is before the Board to amend the FY 17-18 agreement with MWC to add FEMA provisions and references to the state grant agreement, to

adhere to FEMA and state grant compliance requirements. Behavioral Wellness received the DHCS FEMA grant award May 30, 2018, and the Board approved it on June 19, 2018.

Background:

On February 27, 2018, the Board of Supervisors approved Behavioral Wellness' request to use the FEMA grant funds to amend the FY 17-18 contract with Mental Health Association in Santa Barbara County (dba Mental Wellness Center), to add a new statement of work for Crisis Counseling services starting February 15, 2018 and to include up to \$316,843 in available FEMA grants to cover Program Services. At the time, Behavioral Wellness planned to return to the Board with the grant acceptance documents once received from the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS), along with any corresponding budget revision required.

On June 19, 2018 the Board approved the multi-year revenue agreement #17-94705 with DHCS for crisis counseling and related services following a natural disaster, with Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) grant funds in the amount of \$316,842.95 for the period of January 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018.

Behavioral Wellness shared with the Board that certain mandatory FEMA funding contract clauses had not been included by DHCS in the agreement provided by the state. We stated that we would return in July to amend the MWC contract to add the FEMA clauses. Approval of the recommended action will allow Behavioral Wellness to adhere to federal FEMA grant requirements.

Performance Goals and Measures:

The goal of the California Hope Immediate Services Program is intended to help disaster survivors recover from the adverse reactions to disaster and begin to rebuild their lives, through community-based outreach and psycho-educational services. Consistent and timely data collection and evaluation are necessary to measure success of outreach efforts and the changing needs of disaster survivors.

Contractor shall provide services to approximately 2146 clients during the ISP component of the Program. Data on service delivery will be collected by Program staff with authorized accounts in the Crisis Counseling Assistance and Training Program Online Data Collection and Evaluation System (ODCES) and will be available 90 days from the end of the ISP period, which ends June 30, 2018.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

Fiscal Analysis:

NA - Contract amendment does not impact the contract amount.

Key Contract Risks:

As with any contract funded by State and Federal sources, there is a risk of future audit disallowances and repayments. Behavioral Wellness contracts include language requiring contractors to repay any amounts disallowed in audit findings, minimizing financial risks to the 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 to BWell Contracts Division at bwellcontractsstaff@co.santa-barbara.ca.us.

Attachments:

Attachment A: MWC FY 17-18 AM 3
Attachment B: MWC FY 17-18 AM 2 Executed
Attachment C: MWC FY 17-18 AM1 Executed
Attachment D: MWC FY 17-18 BC Executed

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