

SANTA BARBARA COUNTY BOARD AGENDA LETTER



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Agenda Number:
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Department Name: Alcohol, Drug & Mental Health
Department No.: 043
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If Yes, date from:

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: James L. Broderick, Ph.D., Director
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SUBJECT: Work Training Program, Inc. and Transitions Mental Health Association Contract Amendments

Recommendation(s):

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve and execute an amendment to add \$1,048,757 of SHIA grant funds to the existing contract with Work Training Program, Inc., a local service provider, for the term of 8/1/01 through 6/30/04. The addition of the SHIA grant funds brings the contract maximum to \$6,065,064.
2. Approve and execute an amendment to add \$1,206,714 of SHIA grant funds to the existing contract with Transitions Mental Health Association, a local service provider, for the term of 8/1/01 through 6/30/04. The addition of the SHIA grant funds brings the contract maximum to \$2,928,071.
3. Approve a budget revision request to incorporate the unanticipated revenues from the grant's first year allocation of \$976,413.00 into the adopted FY 01-02 ADMHS budget. Approve the addition of a Program Manager position, on contract, to coordinate the fiscal and programmatic aspects of the grant.

Alignment with Board Strategic Plan:

The recommendation(s) are primarily aligned with Goal No. 5.A High Quality of Life for All Residents.

Executive Summary and Discussion:

On July 3, 2001, your Board accepted the Supportive Housing Initiative Act (SHIA) grant which was awarded to ADMHS. This grant provides funds for the establishment of two (2) private sector intensive case management and housing support project teams, one in each geographic region of the county. Using a creative approach the project teams will be composed of public-private collaboration among the County ADMHS and four (4) private non-profit agencies, Transitions Mental Health Association, Work Training Programs, Santa Barbara Mental Health Association, and Sanctuary, known as the Santa Barbara Mental Health Collaborative. Under this grant ADMHS, without the addition of new County employees, is responsible for monitoring and coordinating the private sector service delivery. Work Training Programs, Inc. and Transitions Mental Health Association are the two lead agencies responsible for developing the project teams. These teams will assist severely mentally ill adults and those at risk for housing instability to obtain and maintain permanent, stable, and affordable housing in the community.

Your Board is now requested to amend the Work Training Program, Inc. and the Transitions Mental Health Association contracts. Amending these contracts will allow implementation of services to begin promptly in both regions as required by the agreement of the State for utilization of these funds. Whereas most grants fund specialized programs that provide new resources, this grant will provide support services to established core programs, i.e. the ADMHS housing support team which will divert clients from high cost institutional settings, such as IMDs and State Hospitals, to local community placements.

Mandates and Service Levels:

Mental Health Services are mandated by the Welfare and Institutions Code, Section 5600. This grant requires services and outcomes to 106 clients countywide.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

These contract amendments require no impact to the General Fund. Funding and requirements for facilities and housing for the program are included in the SHIA grant and will be provided by the contractors.

Through this grant the State is allocating a total of \$2,715,490 in State funding to ADMHS to use in a creative manner to maximize financial resources. Of this total \$2,255,471 will go to WTP and TMHA to develop the two (2) teams and provide the required service delivery. These funds must be utilized for this type of intensive supportive services project.

Expected fiscal impacts from these programs include cost avoidance from more expensive levels of care such as incarceration, homelessness, unnecessary hospitalization as well as placement in out-of-county locked treatment facilities, such as Institutes for Mental Disease (IMDs) that can carry an average annual bed rate cost of \$43,800 per person.

Besides grant funds, contractors' reimbursement for this project is also contingent upon their generating minimum required Medi-Cal revenues for a total of \$526,794.

Special Instructions:

Please send the second fully executed original contract and signature page and one (1) copy of the minute order to:

Alcohol, Drug & Mental Health Services
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Concurrence:

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