

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

105 E. Anapamu Street, Suite 407 Santa Barbara, CA 93101 (805) 568-2240

Department Name: Social Services

Department No.: 044

For Agenda Of: April 5, 2022

Placement: Administrative

Estimated Time:

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If Yes, date from:

Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Department Daniel Nielson, Social Services Director

Director(s) (805) 346-7101

Contact Info: Raymond L. McDonald, Executive Director

Workforce Development Board, (805) 681-4453

SUBJECT: Agreement with Foundation for California Community Colleges for Pathway

Home 2 Project Career Catalyst Services

County Counsel Concurrence

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes 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 an Agreement with Foundation for California Community Colleges to provide Career Catalyst Services through the Pathway Home 2 Project for a total contract amount not to exceed \$610,300 for the period of April 5, 2022 through December 31, 2024;
- b) Authorize the Director of Social Services, or designee, to reallocate the budgeted line items without exceeding the total contract amount; and
- c) Determine that the activity is not a "Project" subject to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) review per CEQA Guideline Section 15378(b)(5), since the activity is an organizational or administrative activity of government that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment.

Summary Text:

This item is on the agenda in order to approve the Agreement for the Pathway Home 2 (PH2) Project for the period from April 5, 2022 through December 31, 2024 with Foundation for California Community Colleges (FCCC) provide Career Catalyst Services for a total contract amount not to exceed \$610,300.

Background:

On January 19, 2021, the Department of Labor Employment and Training Administration (DOLETA) announced the availability of grant funds authorized by the Further Consolidated Appropriations Act for ex-offender activities under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA). These grants provide the opportunity to deliver reentry programming to eligible, incarcerated individuals prior to release from state correctional facilities, county or local jails and to continue comprehensive services after release. These projects are designed to eliminate the time gap between release from jail and enrollment into a reentry program leading to employment.

The Santa Barbara County Workforce Development Board (WDB), in partnership with the Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Office applied for and was awarded \$2,499,999 to implement the PH2 project in Santa Barbara County. The project will provide 250 individuals, incarcerated in the local jails, with workforce services prior and after release; transition participants into education, employment, and training programs in the communities to which they will return.

These programs do not require cost sharing or matching funds. The \$2,499,999 federal grant that DOLETA awarded to the County of Santa Barbara allows funds to be drawn down on an as needed basis using DOLETA's Payments Management System. The terms of the grant are set forth in the Notice of Award signed by the DOLETA approving official.

On August 17, 2021, the Board of Supervisors authorized the Director of the Department of Social Services (DSS) to accept the funds and to begin the process of entering into agreements with partners for the use of Pathway Home 2 Project funds.

The PH2 project will collaborate with the Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Office, local community colleges (Allan Hancock and Santa Barbara City College), local public and non-profit organizations. Partners will be utilized to support program operations and ensure that all required services are available to all program participants. Additionally, partners will work together to ensure each of the performance outcomes, as established by DOL, are met.

PRIMARY PARTNER:

 Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Office Santa Barbara County Mail Jail, Local 4436 Calle Real Santa Barbara, CA 93110

OTHER PARTNERS:

- 2. Santa Barbara City College
- 3. Allan Hancock College
- 4. Goodwill Industries of Ventura and Santa Barbara Counties
- 5. Community Solutions Inc.
- 6. Freedom 4 Youth
- 7. Good Samaritan Shelter

Performance Measure:

The following performance measures are added to the Agreement:

- a. A total of 200 participants will be receiving work experience countywide. CONTRACTOR shall provide Career Catalyst services for 100 participants in South County. The additional one hundred participant will be placed by Allan Hancock College in North County.
- b. CONTRACTOR shall work together with the COUNTY, WDB, participants, employers and the work experience coordination vendor (currently Goodwill Industries of Ventura and Santa Barbara Counties) to ensure participants are provided the necessary tools that facilitate the learning experience during participation in the PH2 Project.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes Fiscal Analysis:

Funding Sources	FY 2021-2022	FY 2022-2023	FY 2023-2024	Total Contract Cost
General Fund State Federal FCCC Fees	\$ 149,000.00	\$ 312,300.00	\$ 149,000.00	\$ 610,300.00
Other: Total	\$ 149,000.00	\$ 312,300.00	\$ 149,000.00	\$ 610,300.00

Narrative:

DOLETA awarded WDB Federal funds in the amount of \$2,499,999 for the period of April 5, 2022 through December 31, 2024 for the PH2 Grant. This funding includes multiple contracts with various vendors. The contract amount for FCCC is \$610,300. Of the full contract amount the Fiscal Year (FY) 2021/2022 budget for FCCC \$149,000. Contract amounts associated with FY 2022/2023 are \$312,300, and FY 2023/2024 are \$149,000. There is no impact to General Fund.

Key Contract Risks:

The risk assessment worksheet has been completed and DSS has determined FCCC is a high risk vendor. FCCC is insured for General and Professional Liability. The County has experience with FCCC and is confident of their ability to provide services.

Staffing Impacts:

<u>Legal Positions:</u> <u>FTEs:</u>

Special Instructions:

Please scan, email and send one (1) duplicate original of the Agreement, and a copy of the minute order to:

DSS Contracts Unit

C/O Tricia Beebe

2125 S. Centerpointe Parkway, 3rd Floor

Santa Maria, CA 93455

Email: TBeebe@countyofsb.org

Attachments:

1. Attachment 1 – Agreement – FCCC – PH2

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