



Monterey County Board of Supervisors

Board Order

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A motion was made by Supervisor Mary L. Adams, seconded by Supervisor Luis A. Alejo to:

Agreement No.: A-14311

Approve and Authorize the Director of Health or Assistant Director of Health to sign Amendment No. 1 to Agreement No. A-14311 ("Agreement") with California Rural Legal Assistance (CRLA) Medical-Legal Partnership (MLP) to extend the term for an additional six (6) months, for a revised term of May 21, 2019 through June 30, 2021 and to increase the contract by \$274,925 for a new agreement total of \$662,445 for legal services to patients of the Clinic Services Bureau to address social determinants of health.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this 18th day of August 2020, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES: Supervisors Alejo, Phillips, Lopez, Parker and Adams

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

(Government Code 54953)

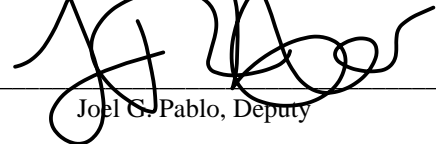
I, Valerie Ralph, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Monterey, State of California, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of an original order of said Board of Supervisors duly made and entered in the minutes thereof of Minute Book 82 for the meeting August 18, 2020.

Dated: August 18, 2020

File ID: A 20-328

Agenda Item No.: 21

Valerie Ralph, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
County of Monterey, State of California



Joel C. Pablo, Deputy



Monterey County

Item No.

Board Report

Board of Supervisors
Chambers
168 W. Alisal St., 1st Floor
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RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors:

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SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

The Health Department Clinic Services Bureau (Clinic Services) operates ten community clinic sites designated as Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs) which provide preventive, primary, and specialty medical care services.

As health care systems continue to gain depth as patient centered medical homes for patients, primary care providers are incorporating legal services on-site. CRLA is a non-profit legal service program created to help low-income individuals and communities throughout California. In December 2017, CRLA started providing on-site legal services to County patients at the Alisal Health Center clinic and has expanded its services to three different sites, has added two more attorneys. Services are provided at no cost to help patients address a wide variety of legal issues facing them which can adversely affect their ability to improve their health and well-being. Many of these issues arise from social determinants of health, including workplace safety, environmental health, exposure to violence, and lack of adequate housing. Referrals are also provided to other legal service organizations for immigration, criminal, and other legal needs. Data from December 13, 2017 through December 12, 2018, shows 170 patients have accessed legal services through the Medical-Legal Partnership (MLP) at the Alisal Health Center. Since January 1, 2020, 106 more Clinic Services patients have accessed these critical legal services.

Agreement No. A-14311 was approved by the Board of Supervisors on May 21, 2019 to expand

the MLP program to additional patients in other clinic locations with funding from the Monterey County Health Department's Whole Person Care program (WPC).

Approval of Amendment No. 1 will continue legal services to patients through June 30, 2021 and also allow the increase of CRLA staff by one additional attorney and one legal secretary to support the growing MLP patient caseload across the clinics.

This work supports the Monterey County Health Department 2018-2022 Strategic Plan initiatives: 2. Enhance community health and safety through prevention; and 3. Ensure access to culturally and linguistically appropriate, customer-friendly, quality health services. It also supports one or more of the ten essential public health services, specifically: 4. Mobilize community partnerships and action to identify and solve health problems, and 7. Link people to needed personal health services and assure the provision of health care when otherwise unavailable.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

The Office of County Counsel has approved Amendment No. 1 as to form. The Health Department recommends moving forward with Amendment No. 1 to comply with the Whole Person Care grant, which has been approved by the State for FY2020-21.

FINANCING:

This Amendment is funded by the Calendar Year 2020 WPC grant, the FY2020-21 Health Realignment Fund and the General Fund. The FY2020-21 Health Department Clinic Services Approved Budget (4000-HEA007) includes contribution of \$67,500 from the General Fund to fund services of CRLA.

Sufficient appropriations are available in the FY2020-21 Health Department Clinic Services Approved Budget (4000-HEA007). There is no additional financial impact to the General Fund resulting from the approval of this Agreement.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS STRATEGIC INITIATIVES:

Check the related Board of Supervisors Strategic Initiatives:

Economic Development:

- Through collaboration, strengthen economic development to ensure a diversified and healthy economy.

Administration:

- Promote an organization that practices efficient and effective resource management and is recognized for responsiveness, strong customer orientation, accountability and transparency.

Health & Human Services:

- Improve health and quality of life through County supported policies, programs, and services; promoting access to equitable opportunities for healthy choices and healthy environments in collaboration with communities.

Infrastructure:

- Plan and develop a sustainable, physical infrastructure that improves the quality of life for

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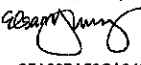
County residents and supports economic development results.

Public Safety:

- Create a safe environment for people to achieve their potential, leading businesses and communities to thrive and grow by reducing violent crimes as well as crimes in general.

Prepared by: Prisca Segovia, Management Analyst II, 755-4939

Approved by:

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Elsa Jimenez, Director of Health, 755-4526

Attachments:

Amendment No 1 is on file with the Clerk of the Board
 Agreement is on file with the Clerk of the Board

**AMENDMENT NO. 1
TO AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN COUNTY OF
MONTEREY AND
CALIFORNIA RURAL LEGAL ASSISTANCE, INC.**

AMENDMENT NO. 1 is made to the Agreement A-14311, for the provision of legal services to homeless and other patients of the clinic Services Bureau to address social determinants of health, by and between the **County of Monterey**, a political subdivision of the State of California (hereinafter referred to as "COUNTY"), and **California Rural Legal Assistance, Inc. (CRLA)**, (hereinafter referred to as "CONTRACTOR").

WHEREAS, on May 21, 2019, the COUNTY and CONTRACTOR entered into Agreement A- 14311 in the amount of \$387,520.00 for the term May 21, 2019 through December 31, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the COUNTY and CONTRACTOR wish to amend Agreement A-14311 to increase the total amount of the Agreement of \$387,520.00 by an additional \$274,925 for a new agreement total of \$662,445, revise Exhibit A: Part One, Scope of Services, and Part Two, Payment Provisions, increasing the rate of reimbursement and adding an Administrative Legal Secretary position,

NOW THEREFORE, the COUNTY and CONTRACTOR hereby agree to amend the Agreement in the following manner:

1. Section 2.0, "PAYMENT PROVISIONS" shall be amended by removing "The total amount payable by COUNTY to CONTRACTOR under this Agreement shall not exceed the sum of \$387,520.00" **and replacing it with** "The total amount of this Agreement is not to exceed the sum of \$662,445.00"
2. Section 3.0, "TERM OF AGREEMENT" shall be amended by removing the term May 21, 2019 to December 31, 2020, **and replacing it with** "The term of this Agreement is from May 1, 2019 to June 30, 2021, unless sooner terminated pursuant to the terms of this Agreement."
3. **EXHIBIT A1: PART ONE, SCOPE OF SERVICES AND PART TWO, PAYMENT PROVISIONS** replaces **EXHIBIT A: PART ONE, SCOPE OF SERVICES AND PART TWO, PAYMENT PROVISIONS**. All references in the Agreement to **EXHIBIT A** shall be construed to refer to **EXHIBIT A1**.
4. Except as provided herein, all remaining terms, conditions, and provisions of the Agreement are unchanged and unaffected by this Amendment No. 1 and shall continue in full force and effect as set forth in the Agreement.
5. This Amendment No. 1 is effective July 1, 2020.
6. A copy of this Amendment No. 1 shall be attached to the original Agreement executed by the COUNTY on May 21, 2019.

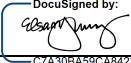
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, County and CONTRACTOR have executed this Amendment No. 1 as of the day and year written below.

COUNTY OF MONTEREY

CONTRACTOR

By: _____
Contracts/Purchasing Officer

Date: _____

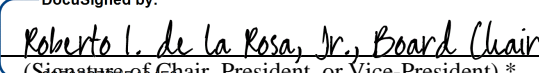
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Department Head (if applicable)

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By: _____
Board of Supervisors (if applicable)

Date: _____

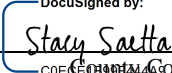
California Rural Legal Assistance, Inc.
Contractor's Business Name*

By:  _____
(Signature of Chair, President, or Vice-President) *

Roberto I. de la Rosa, Jr., Board Chair
Name and Title

Date: 8/6/2020 | 1:09 PM PDT

Approved as to Form¹

By:  _____
County Counsel

Date: 8/10/2020 | 11:42 AM PDT

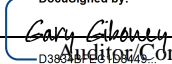
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(Signature of Secretary, Asst. Secretary, CFO, Treasurer or Assistant Treasurer)*

David Korsak, Chief Financial Officer
Name and Title

Date: 8/7/2020 | 11:06 AM PDT

Approved as to Fiscal Provisions²

By:  _____
Auditor-Controller

Date: 8/10/2020 | 11:48 AM PDT

Approved as to Liability Provisions³

By: _____
Risk Management

Date: _____

*INSTRUCTIONS: If CONTRACTOR is a corporation, including limited liability and non-profit corporations, the full legal name of the corporation shall be set forth above together with the signatures of two specified officers. If CONTRACTOR is a partnership, the name of the partnership shall be set forth above together with the signature of a partner who has authority to execute this Agreement on behalf of the partnership. If CONTRACTOR is contracting in an individual capacity, the individual shall set forth the name of the business, if any, and shall personally sign the Agreement.

¹Approval by County Counsel is required ²Approval by Auditor-Controller is required

³Approval by Risk Management is necessary only if changes are made in paragraph 8 or 9

**EXHIBIT A1: PART ONE, SCOPE OF SERVICES AND
PART TWO, PAYMENT PROVISIONS**

PART ONE-SCOPE OF SERVICES

I. IDENTIFICATION OF CONTRACTOR:

California Rural Legal Assistance, Inc.
3 Williams Road
Salinas, CA 93905

INCORPORATION STATUS/TYPE OF FACILITY LICENSE

501(c)(3) Corporation (Community Benefit Non-Profit)

II. BACKGROUND

Medical-legal partnership (MLP) is an approach to health that integrates healthcare and legal services to positively impact social challenges that can adversely influence health, commonly called Social Determinants of Health (SDOH). Legal professionals meet with patients on-site in the healthcare setting to provide legal services that can positively impact social determinants of health, including income, housing, education, workplace safety, and physical environment. This MLP will be between the County of Monterey ("County"), on behalf of the Clinic Services Bureau ("CSB") and California Rural Legal Assistance, Inc. ("CRLA" or "CONTRACTOR").

The County owns and operates various community clinics pursuant to Section 1206(b) of the California Health and Safety Code and designated as Federally Qualified Health Centers (each, a "Clinic" and collectively, the "Clinics"). Under the direction of the County and governance of the Community Health Center Board ("CHCB"), the Clinics provide preventative, primary, and specialty medical care services.

CRLA is a community partner with a 50-year history of working with underserved populations, Established in 1966, CRLA serves over 43,000 low-income individuals residing in 24 rural counties across California every year. CRLA's mission is to fight for justice and individual rights alongside the most exploited communities of our society. CRLA meets its mission through a combination of advocacy strategies that: (1) provide high-quality, no cost legal services; (2) ensures the equitable distribution of resources in rural communities; and (3) protect the rights of low-income individuals to seek justice under the law. Consistent with its mission, CRLA has a robust statewide expertise and specialized programs serving the LGBT + population, addressing fair housing issues, and has strong contacts with Monterey County's Spanish and indigenous language speaking populations. The CRLA office in Salinas offers culturally competent bilingual services to English and Spanish speaking populations.

III. DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES

a. Service Delivery Sites

1. CRLA legal staff will provide on-site legal services at no cost to County patients at mutually agreed upon CSB Clinic Locations. CSB Clinic Locations include, but are not limited to the following:

Clinic Name	Location
Laurel Family Practice	1441 Constitution Blvd Bldg 400 Suite 300 Salinas, CA 93906
Laurel Vista	1441 Constitution Blvd, Bldg 400 Suite 301 Salinas, CA 93906
Laurel Internal Medicine	1441 Constitution Blvd, Bldg 151, Suite 16 Salinas, CA 93906
Laurel Pediatric Clinic	1441 Constitution Blvd, Bldg 200, Suite 101 Salinas, CA 93906-3196
Alisal Health Center	559 East Alisal, Suite 201 Salinas, CA 93905
Seaside Family Health Center	1156 Fremont Blvd, Seaside, CA 93955-5715
Marina Clinic	315 5 De Forest Road, Marina, CA 93933
Marina Integrated Health Clinic	299 12th Street Marina, CA 93933
Bienestar -Salinas	1441 Constitution Blvd. Bldg. 400, Suite 201 Salinas, CA 93906-3100
NIDO	1441 Constitution Blvd. Bldg. 760 Salinas, CA 93906-3100

2. County shall provide a space in Clinic that would assure privacy of conversations, including use of a room with a desk, and access to telephone, fax, and copier, as needed to provide the service.
3. CONTRACTOR shall use allocated Clinic space for the sole purpose of conducting on-site legal services to County patients to address social determinants of health. CONTRACTOR shall only access Clinic space during regular business days and hours as mutually agreed upon by both parties and only when County staff is present at the Clinic.
4. In the event County requires use of the Clinic space on any day scheduled by CONTRACTOR, County shall provide CONTRACTOR with advance notice and will work with CONTRACTOR to locate an alternative area, if possible. In the case of an emergency, County reserves the right, without prior notice, to limit the use of any of its facilities when, the County deems such limitation necessary in order to meet fiscal, clinical, and/or access-related operational standards of the County.

5. The County shall obtain the patient's authorization to allow the disclosure of the patient's protected health information (PHI) to the CONTRACTOR. If patients consent to sharing their PHI with CONTRACTOR, the County shall provide CONTRACTOR with access to the relevant portions of the patient's medical record through EPIC, the County's Electronic Medical Record System. The County shall enact appropriate safeguards to ensure that CONTRACTOR's use of EPIC is restricted to the electronic medical records of patients who have authorized the disclosure of their information to CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR must comply with all EPIC system requirements, any requirements imposed by the County relating to the EPIC system and must maintain the privacy and security of PHI in accordance with federal and California State law.

b. CONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITIES

1. CONTRACTOR shall coordinate services with other service providers, including primary health care services, mental health services, substance use disorder services, legal services, and other human service agencies involved in the services provided, as needed.
2. CONTRACTOR shall have the capacity (Spanish/English bilingual staff and training) to deliver services in a manner that is culturally competent and linguistically appropriate for diverse cultures in Monterey County.
3. CONTRACTOR shall assume full responsibility for the actions of CONTRACTOR's staff, while performing services pursuant to this Agreement, and shall be solely responsible for the supervision and oversight of CONTRACTOR's staff.
4. CONTRACTOR shall take adequate steps to notify potential or actual clients seen at the Clinic locations under this Agreement that CRLA--and not the County--is the entity rendering or providing legal services.
5. CONTRACTOR agrees to have all potential or actual clients complete and sign the form attached as Exhibit B.
6. CONTRACTOR shall provide adequate notice to the County should services be cancelled.
7. CONTRACTOR shall comply with County rules, regulations, policies, and procedures.

c. TIME COMMITMENT AND AVAILABILITY

CONTRACTOR shall ensure that staff attorney(s) are available to provide services at the Clinic(s) in accordance with a schedule agreed upon by both parties. In 2019, CONTRACTOR anticipates up to two attorneys to cover 1 to 2 days per week in assigned clinic(s). In 2020, CONTRACTOR anticipates adding a third attorney to cover 1 additional day per week in assigned clinic(s) and a legal secretary for administrative support.

d. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

1. CONTRACTOR will report outcomes quarterly to County according to requirements of the Whole Person Care grant and/or as requested by County. Data shall include utilization and types of services rendered. No personally identifiable information shall be disclosed.
2. CONTRACTOR will include the outcomes report in the quarterly invoice.

e. MEETINGS/COMMUNICATIONS

CONTRACTOR and County staff shall convene as needed to monitor service outcomes; oversee contract implementation; discuss contract issues; and evaluate contract usage and effectiveness.

PART TWO- PAYMENT PROVISIONS

I. COMPENSATION/PAYMENT

County shall pay an amount not to exceed \$662,445 during the term of this Agreement for the performance of all things necessary for or incidental to the performance of work as set forth in the Scope of Work. CONTRACTOR's monthly compensation for services rendered shall be based on the following rates:

Service Description	CY 2019	Jan-June 2020	July 2020 -June 2021
Monthly Rate - per Clinic Coordinator Attorney	\$5,814	\$5,974	\$8,079
Monthly Rate - per Law Graduate	\$5,610	\$5,610	\$5,997 each
Monthly Rate - Administrative Legal Secretary	-	-	\$2,826
Monthly Program Administration Rate	15%	20%	20%
Program Year	Funding Source	Annual Amount	
FY 2018-19 (February 1, 2019 through June 30, 2019)	Whole Person Care	\$81,000.00	
FY 2019-20 (July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020)	Whole Person Care	\$251,700.00	
FY 2020-21 (July 1, 2020 through June 2021)	Whole Person Care & Health Realignment	329,745.00	

II. CONTRACTOR'S BILLING PROCEDURES

1. Invoices from CONTRACTOR for all services rendered per this Agreement shall be billed directly to the ordering Bureau of the Health Department.
2. CONTRACTOR shall submit invoices monthly or at the completion of services, but in any event, not later than 30 days after completion of services. The invoice shall set forth the amounts claimed by CONTRACTOR for the previous period, together with an itemized basis for the amounts claimed, and such other information pertinent to the invoice. County shall certify the invoice, either in the requested amount or in such other amount as County approves in conformity with this Agreement and shall promptly submit such invoice to the County Auditor-Controller for payment. County

Auditor-Controller shall pay the amount certified within 30 days of receiving the certified invoice.

3. CONTRACTOR shall submit invoices to the following mail or e-mail address listed below:

Physical Mail delivery:

Monterey County Health Department, FQHC Clinics
Attn: ACCOUNTING
1441 Schilling Place
South Building, First Floor
Salinas, CA 93901

Email delivery: CS_Finance@co.monterey.ca.us