

**Board Report** 

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# **<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>**:

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## SUMMARY:

Pajaro Valley Prevention and Student Assistance, Inc. (PVPSA) is one of several local community-based agencies who submitted a response to the Health Department's Request for Proposal (RFP) #10787 for Prevention & Early Intervention (PEI) Services funded by the Mental Health Services Act. This proposed Amendment No. 1 will provide PEI funds for the implementation of the "Proyecto Contigo/With You Project" to serve residents of the Las Lomas, Pajaro and Royal Oaks communities beginning September 1, 2021.

## DISCUSSION:

Pajaro Valley Prevention and Student Assistance, Inc. (PVPSA) is a non-profit organization dedicated to improving the quality of life for children, youth and their families. PVPSA provides services to residents of the Pajaro Valley and surrounding North County communities and collaborates with local schools to provide mental health services in coordination with the Monterey County Health Department, Behavioral Health Bureau.

During Fiscal Year 2020-21, the County released RFP #10787 in the effort to identify local agencies to provide culturally relevant outreach and engagement services, especially to residents in underserved areas of Monterey County. PVPSA's proposal consists of the "Proyecto Contigo/With You Project" (Project), to promote resilience, reduce isolation, and increase social connectedness among residents living in Las Lomas, Pajaro and Royal Oaks. The goals of the Project are to provide residents with information about mental health and other resources available and connect children, youth and their families to mental health and other needed services. This proposed Amendment No.1 provides funding for the Project to engage with an estimated 700 unduplicated community members by the end of FY 2022-23.

This Agreement contains the County's standard 30-day "no cause" provision (Section IV, B) and an additional defunding provision (Section IV, D), which provides the County the ability to amend or terminate the Agreement in the event of a reduction and/or termination of funding.

This work supports the following Monterey County Health Department 2018-2022 Strategic Plan Initiative: 3. Ensure access to culturally and linguistically appropriate, customer-friendly, quality health services. It also supports one of the ten essential public health services, specifically: 7. Link people to needed personal health services and assure the provisions of health care when otherwise unavailable.

### OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

The Office of the County Counsel and Auditor-Controller have reviewed and approved this Amendment as to legal form and fiscal provisions, respectively.

#### FINANCING:

This Agreement is funded by MHSA Prevention and Early Intervention (26%), Mental Health Federal Financial Participation funding (46%), and 2011 Realignment (28%). The funds for this Agreement (\$465,829) are included in the Health Department's Behavioral Health (HEA012, Unit 8410) Fiscal Year 2021-22 Adopted Budget. The funds for this Agreement for FY 2022-23 (\$468,304) will be included in the Health Department's Behavioral Health (HEA012, Unit 8410) FY 2022-23 Requested Budget.

### 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 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.

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Approved by:

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Attachments: Amendment No 1 Agreement