



# County of Monterey

**Item No.**

## Board Report

Board of Supervisors  
Chambers  
168 W. Alisal St., 1st Floor  
Salinas, CA 93901

**Legistar File Number: A 23-432**

**September 12, 2023**

**Introduced:** 8/25/2023

**Current Status:** Agenda Ready

**Version:** 1

**Matter Type:** BoS Agreement

- a. Approve and authorize the Director of Health Services or designee to execute a Lease Agreement with Seneca Family of Agencies, retroactive to November 1, 2022, and ending ten (10) years after the issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy, for approximately 6,205 square feet of space located at 124 River Road, Salinas, California, for use by the Health Department's Behavioral Health Bureau to satisfy a California Health Facilities Financing Authority (CHFFA) grant funding requirement to develop a Crisis Residential Treatment and Crisis Stabilization program; and
- b. Authorize the Director of Health Services or designee to execute minor amendments to the Lease Agreement if deemed in the best interest of the County, subject to review and approval as to form by the Office of the County Counsel.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the County of Monterey Board of Supervisors:

- a. Approve and authorize the Director of Health Services or designee to execute a Lease Agreement with Seneca Family of Agencies, retroactive to November 1, 2022, and ending ten (10) years after the issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy, for approximately 6,205 square feet of space located at 124 River Road, Salinas, California, for use by the Health Department's Behavioral Health Bureau to satisfy a California Health Facilities Financing Authority (CHFFA) grant funding requirement to develop a Crisis Residential Treatment and Crisis Stabilization program; and
- b. Authorize the Director of Health Services or designee to execute minor amendments to the Lease Agreement if deemed in the best interest of the County, subject to review and approval as to form by the Office of the County Counsel.

**SUMMARY/DISCUSSION**

The County of Monterey was awarded the California Health Facilities Financing Authority ("CHFFA") Investment in Mental Health Wellness Grant Program for Children and Youth infrastructure funds in the amount of \$1,851,546 to develop a Crisis Stabilization and Crisis Residential Treatment program. The County has partnered with Seneca Family of Agencies ("Seneca") to use grant funds to renovate Seneca's existing property to develop a Crisis Residential Treatment and Crisis Stabilization program. This Lease Agreement is pursuant to California Code of Regulations 7326 to use the CHFFA grant funds for renovation on property that is leased. The Lease sets forth the terms and conditions under which the County and Seneca will use space specifically for the Crisis Stabilization and Crisis Residential Treatment renovation project funded by CHFFA grant funds.

There currently are no facilities providing Crisis Stabilization and Crisis Residential Treatment

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service in Monterey County. Having a local intensive residential based care to serve children and youth suffering from severe mental illness will address the gap in service in the current behavioral health system of care.

This work supports the Monterey County Health Department 2018-2022 Strategic Plan Goals: 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 Department of Public Works Facilities and Parks advised the Health Department with its development of the Lease Agreement. The Office of the County Counsel and Auditor-Controller have reviewed and approved as to legal form and fiscal provisions respectively. Risk Management has approved as to insurance and indemnity.

FINANCING:

This Agreement consists of lease terms only. There are no fiscal provisions; therefore, there is no impact on the Bureau's (HEA012, Unit 8410) 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:

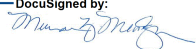
- Create a safe environment for people to achieve their potential, leading businesses and communities to thrive and grow by reducing violent crimes as well as crimes in general.

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On behalf of Elsa Mendoza Jimenez

Attachment:

Agreement is on file with Clerk of the Board