



County of Monterey

Board of Supervisors
Chambers
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Board Report

File #: A 13-120, **Version:** 1

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- b. Authorize the Director of Health to approve up to three future amendments to this Agreement where the amendments do not exceed ten percent (10%) of the original amount and do not significantly change the scope of work.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors:

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SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

Since September 2007, the Monterey County Health Department, Behavioral Health Bureau, has contracted with the Alliance on Aging to provide the Senior Peer Counseling (SPC) Program. Services include mental health intervention, support and referral services to older adults suffering from depression, anxiety, loss, isolation, and other stressors. The SPC Program has been expanded to also serve the Salinas Valley, with a particular focus on underserved Latino older adults. The SPC Program also assists residents with access to community resources and facilitates support groups that foster emotional support and encouragement for older adults, especially those who may be at risk of requiring acute psychiatric inpatient care, residential treatment, or outpatient crisis intervention services.

This renewal Agreement will assure continuation of these services for an additional three year term beginning July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2016.

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.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

County Counsel and Auditor-Controller have reviewed and approved this Agreement as to legal form and fiscal provisions. The Agreement is on file with the Clerk of the Board.

FINANCING:

This Agreement is funded by Mental Health Services Act funds. The funds for this Agreement (\$146,720) are

included in the Health Department's Behavioral Health (HEA012, Unit 8410) Departmental requested budget for FY 2013-14 which the Department anticipated being adopted on June 25, 2013.

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Attachment: Agreement is on file with Clerk of the Board