

Board Report

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<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>:

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

a. Approve and authorize the Director of Health or Assistant Director of Health to execute a retroactive Mental Health Services Agreement with Elite Family System, Inc., for the provision of Short-Term Residential Therapeutic Program and mental health services in the amount of \$18,053 for FY 2021-22 and \$30,950 for FY 2022-23, effective May 6, 2022 through June 30, 2023, total Agreement amount not to exceed \$49,003.

SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

Elite Family System, Inc. (EFS) is a Short-Term Residential Therapeutic Program (STRTP) providing residential and specialty mental health services including specialized and intensive care, support, and 24-hour supervision on a short-term basis for children and youth with complex and severe needs. The goal of the program is to provide therapeutic interventions to treat and enhance the behavioral health symptoms and improve function so that children and adolescents may move to a less restrictive and intensive treatment setting. The child/youth was an emergency placement, these placements are conducted when current contracted providers are not able to provide the specialized residential and mental health needs of a child/youth. This Agreement is retroactive to May 6, 2022, the date the child/youth was placed. The provider recently informed the County of Monterey that an invoice will be forthcoming for this placement, requiring the need for this Agreement to provide payment to Elite Family Systems, Inc.

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 Monterey County Health Department 2018-2022 Strategic Plan Goal: 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 provision of health care when otherwise unavailable.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

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

FINANCING:

This Agreement is funded by 2011 Realignment - Early Periodic Screening and Diagnostic Testing (EPSDT 50%) and Federal Financial Participation (FFP 50%). There are enough appropriations in the Health Department's Behavioral Health Bureau (HEA012, Unit 8410) FY 2022-23 Adopted Budget to cover these costs.

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.

• 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:

Date

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Attachments: Board Report Agreement