

County of Monterey

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

Board Report

File #: A 21-435, Version: 1

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RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors:

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SUMMARY:

Harmony at Home (HAH) 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 expansion of the Teen Success program to serve residents of southern Monterey County beginning September 1, 2021.

DISCUSSION:

HAH has contracted with the Health Department's Behavioral Health Bureau since August 2009 to provide school-based counseling services for children who have been exposed to violence and trauma. During Fiscal Year 2020-21, the County released RFP #10787 in the effort to identify local agencies to provide family support services, especially to residents in underserved areas of Monterey County. HAH's proposal consists of the expansion of their Teen Success Program to serve young mothers who become pregnant as teens and their children residing in South Monterey County. The goals for the program participants are: complete high school and post-secondary education and develop the knowledge and skills to nurture their child's positive development. These goals are accomplished by a comprehensive array of services and supports focusing on the following: educational navigation, early childhood development, financial well-being, and health and wellness. This proposed Amendment No.1 provides funds to serve an estimated 18 young mothers and their children by the end of FY 2022-23.

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

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FINANCING: This Agreement is funded by Mental Health Services Act Prevention and Early Intervention funds. The funds for this Agreement (\$166,120) are included in the Health Department's Behavioral Health (HEA012, Unit 8410) Fiscal Year 2021-22 Approved Budget. The funds for this Agreement for FY 2022-23 (\$166,120) 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:

Attachment: Amendment No 1 Agreement