

**Board Report** 

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three-year Mental Health Services Agreement with Family Service Agency of the Central Coast for suicide prevention and intervention services (for a term beginning July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2020) in the amount of \$224,372 for Fiscal Year (FY) 2017-18, \$224,372 for FY 2018-19, and \$224,372, for FY 2019-20, for a total Agreement in the amount of \$673,116; and

b. Approve and authorize the Director of Health or Assistant Director of Health to approve up to three (3) future amendments that do not exceed ten percent (10%) (\$67,312) of the original Agreement amount and do not significantly alter the scope of services.

# **RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors:

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b. Approve and authorize the Director of Health or Assistant Director of Health to approve up to three (3) future amendments that do not exceed ten percent (10%) (\$67,312) of the original Agreement amount and do not significantly alter the scope of services.

#### SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

Suicide Prevention Service (SPS), a program of the Family Service Agency of the Central Coast, is an Accredited Crisis Center through the American Association of Suicidology and serves the tri-county region of Monterey, San Benito and Santa Cruz counties. In addition to the 24/7 suicide crisis line, SPS provides suicide prevention training to school personnel, community agencies and organizations, conducts an ongoing public awareness campaign to educate the community regarding suicide prevention, and develops grief support groups for families and friends of suicide victims. The goals of these services are to: reduce the incidence of suicide and suicidal behaviors; reduce the impact of suicidal behaviors on significant others and family members; educate the community to recognize the warning signs associated with suicide; and raise public awareness regarding suicide and suicide prevention strategies.

This renewal Agreement will assure continuation of these services for an additional three-year term beginning July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2020.

This Agreement contains the County's standard 30-day "no cause" provision (Section 5) and a defunding provision (Section 6), 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 2011-2015 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:

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

#### FINANCING:

This Agreement is funded by Mental Health Services Act funds (78% or \$525,030) and County General Funds (22% or \$148,086). The funds for this Agreement are included in the Health Department's Behavioral Health (HEA012, Unit 8410) Fiscal Year 2017-18 Requested Budget. The funds for this Agreement for FY 2018-19 and FY 2019-20 will be included in the Health Department Behavioral Health Bureau (HEA012, Unit 8410) FY 2018-19 and FY 2019-20 Requested Budgets.

## BOARD OF SUPERVISORS STRATEGIC INITIATIVES:

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□Economic Development:

• Through collaboration, strengthen economic development to ensure a diversified and healthy economy.

 $\Box$ 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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Attachments:

Agreement is on file with Clerk of the Board