

**Board Report** 

#### File #: A 20-208, Version: 1

Approve and authorize the Director of Health or Assistant Director of Health to execute Amendment No. 3 to Mental Health Services Agreement A-13309 with The Village Project, Inc., for the provision of outreach and mental health services to increase the amount by \$30,000 for a new total Agreement amount not to exceed \$1,657,809 for the term of October 1, 2016 through June 30, 2020.

## **RECOMMENDATION**:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors:

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### SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

The County currently has Agreement A-13309 with The Village Project, Inc. which will expire on June 30, 2020. Monterey County Health Department, Behavioral Health Bureau has contracted with The Village Project, Inc. for the provision of mental health outreach and counseling services for Monterey County African Americans and other unserved/underserved racial and ethnic group members and their families. Referrals are received from the community, faith-based organizations, schools.

In Fiscal Year 2019-20, The Village Project, Inc. will provide mental health outreach, counseling, and after school programming services for Monterey County African American and other unserved/underserved racial, ethnic, and socio-economic individuals. Amendment No. 3 revises the scope of work by adding outreach and supportive services to mitigate circumstances that are currently and have historically greatly affected the African American community. These services will include outreach and the provision of services targeted to African Americans to include: Emancipation groups aimed at healing racial wounds, presentation to community members to validate that racial injustices have occurred and what steps the community can take towards resolutions and a Warm Line response availability for 2 hours per day for community members experiencing reactions to issues affecting the African American community.

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 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:

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

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FINANCING:

This Amendment No. 3 is funded by Mental Health Services Act (100%). Funding estimates are subject to modification as may be necessary. The funds for this Amendment No. 3 are included in the Health Department's Behavioral Health (HEA012, Unit 8410) Fiscal Year 2019-20 Recommended 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:

Date: Elsa Jimenez, Director of Health, 755-4526

Attachments:

Amendment No 3 is on file with the Clerk of the Board Amendment No 2 is on file with the Clerk of the Board Amendment No 1 is on file with the Clerk of the Board Agreement is on file with the Clerk of the Board