a. Approve and authorize the Director of Health or Assistant Director of Health to execute a Mental Health Services Agreement with The Village Project, Inc. for the term July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2023 for mental health and after school program services to Monterey County residents in the amount of $170,000 for Fiscal Year (FY) 2021-22 and $170,000 for FY 2022-23 for a total Agreement not to exceed $340,000 for the term of July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2023; and
b. Authorize the Director of Health or Assistant Director of Health to approve up to three future amendments that do not exceed ten percent (10%) ($34,000) of the original amount and do not significantly change the scope of work.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors:
a. Approve and authorize the Director of Health or Assistant Director of Health to execute a Mental Health Services Agreement with The Village Project, Inc. for the term July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2023 for mental health and after school program services to Monterey County residents in the amount of $170,000 for Fiscal Year (FY) 2021-22 and $170,000 for FY 2022-23 for a total Agreement not to exceed $340,000 for the term of July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2023; and
b. Authorize the Director of Health or Assistant Director of Health to approve up to three future amendments that do not exceed ten percent (10%) ($34,000) of the original amount and do not significantly change the scope of work.

SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

The County currently has Agreement A-14793 with The Village Project, Inc. which will expire on June 30, 2021. Since Fiscal Year 2008-09, the 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. In addition, the Village Project will continue to provide mental health outreach, counseling, and after school programming services for Monterey County to African American and other unserved and/or underserved racial, ethnic, and socio-economic individuals. Referrals are received from the community, faith-based organizations, schools, and County.

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 2018-22 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.

FINANCING:
This Agreement is funded by Mental Health Services Act (45%), Federal Financial Participation (41%) and 1991 Realignment (14%). The funds for this Agreement are included in the Health Department's Behavioral Health (HEA012, Unit 8410) FY 2021-22 Requested Budget. The funds for this Agreement for FY 2022-23 will be included in the respective 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:

_____Date:_____
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Attachment:
Agreement