



County of Monterey

Board of Supervisors
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Board Report

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RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors:

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SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

The Monterey County Health Department (MCHD) has operated the Sexual Assault Response Team (SART) Program since July 1, 2007. SART includes highly trained health professionals who perform forensic examination and treatment of individuals, both adults and children, who are suspected to have been the victims of sexual assault. These examiners are called upon to recover evidence based on these examinations and provide testimony during court proceedings. Local law enforcement agencies contract with MCHD to provide these services.

The Coordinator for SART will work directly with the Monterey County District Attorney's office, along with local law enforcement in 12 Cities, including: Carmel-By-The-Sea, Del Rey Oaks, Gonzales, Greenfield, King

City, Marina, Monterey, Pacific Grove, Salinas, Soledad, Sand City, and Seaside. The Campus Security Authorities at the California State University Monterey Bay (CSUMB) and the Monterey Airport Police agency. Local law enforcement agencies will be required to provide an annual contribution and they will be charged according to the most current approved Monterey County Health Department Fee Schedule, to recover a portion of the cost associated with performing forensic examinations and testifying in court, as requested.

This work supports the Monterey County Health Department 2018-2022 Strategic Plan Initiatives: 3. Ensure access to culturally and linguistically appropriate, customer-friendly, quality health services; and 4. Engage MCHD workforce and improve operational functions to meet current and developing population health needs. It also supports the following of the ten essential public health services, specifically: 2. Diagnose and investigate health problems and health hazards in the community; 4. Mobilize community partnerships and action to identify and solve health problems; 6. Enforces laws and regulations that protect health and ensure safety; 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 the Auditor-Controller have reviewed and approved this Agreement as to form and fiscal provisions, respectively.

FINANCING:

There are sufficient appropriations and revenue in the Health Department's (8438-HEA014) Fiscal Year (FY) 2021-22 Recommended Budget and will be included in FY 2022-23, FY 2023-24, FY 2024-25 and FY 2025-26 Requested Budgets.

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:
Law Enforcement Agency Agreement Template