

County of Monterey

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

Board Report

File #: A 21-460, Version: 1

Approve and authorize the Director of Health or Assistant Director of Health to execute Amendment No. 1 to Mental Health Services Agreement A-15247 with The Village Project, Inc. for the provision of Prevention and Early Intervention Outreach and Engagement services retroactive to July 1, 2021 in the amount of \$200,000 for FY 2021-2022 and \$200,000 for FY 2022-2023, for a new total Agreement amount not to exceed \$740,000 for a term of July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2023.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors:

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SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

The County currently has Agreement A-15247 with The Village Project, Inc. In Fiscal Year (FY) 2020-21, the Monterey County Health Department, Behavioral Health Bureau conducted Request for Proposal (RFP) #10787 for Mental Health Services Act, Prevention and Early Intervention (PEI) Services which are aimed at preventing mental illnesses from becoming severe and disabling. PEI services focus on preventing the onset of mental health issues and/or providing early intervention treatment and referral services. The Village Project is one of several community agencies that were awarded funding for PEI services through RFP.

In FY 2021-2022 and FY 2022-2023, The Village Project, Inc. will provide mental health outreach and engagement services to educate communities about the importance of mental health well-being and engagement in services by maintaining a presence in those communities through activities (Mental Health presentations, tabling at events, community speaking engagements, etc.) designed to reduce barriers such as distrust and stigma that prevent community members from seeking mental health treatment. More broadly, in addition to acquainting community members with the services of The Village Project, Inc., the program provides information on the other resources that exist in the County of that community members can access. The Village Project, Inc. proposes to outreach to a minimum of 700 individuals per Fiscal Year and provide 144 individuals with holistic clinical assessments per Fiscal Year. This Amendment No. 1 is retroactive to July 1, 2021 due to the timeline of conducting the RFP and prolonged contract negotiations.

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.

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OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT: The office of the County Counsel and Auditor-Controller have reviewed and approved as to legal form and fiscal provisions respectively.
FINANCING: This Amendment No. 1 is funded by Mental Health Services Act (45%), Federal Financial Participation (41%) and 1991 Realignment (14%). The funds for this Amendment are included in the Health Department's Behavioral Health (HEA012, Unit 8410) FY 2021-2022 Adopted 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 2022-2023 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:

Agreement

Attachments: Amendment No 1

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