

Board Report

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b. Authorize the Director of the Department of Social Services to sign up to three (3) amendments to the agreement that do not exceed 10% (\$117,545) of the contract amount and do not significantly change the scope of services.

<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors:

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SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

This amendment allows for continued progress in housing chronically homeless community members, and to build momentum for assisting even more individuals and families secure stable living conditions through case management, counseling, and housing navigation.

Community based case management is an effective strategy for supporting individuals experiencing homelessness overcome barriers and become housed. These services address numerous challenges for people experiencing homelessness and the community as a whole by promoting the well-being of individuals experiencing homelessness and giving people who often have no other place to spend their days but the streets a safe and supportive day program. It is important to note that this support helps reduce other system costs that could include incarceration and emergency care costs.

Dorothy's Drop-in Center staff reports serving 120-200 adults daily with secure shelter, restrooms, showers, and laundry. The agency is also providing trauma-based case management services. Encampments in Chinatown have been significantly reduced. The agency reports that caseloads are at capacity, but hundreds of homeless people still come into the drop-in center daily for basic needs and case management services, in addition to the outreach conducted by Dorothy's Place staff to encampments surrounding Chinatown.

The Whole Person Care Project (WPC), with the Health Department as lead agency, initially funded these services in conjunction with DSS. The WPC pilot program will officially end December 31, 2021. The added funding provides additional WPC funding due to the high volume of contacts that contractor has been providing for the program and provides \$150,000 in Homeless Housing and Assistance Prevention Program (HHAP) funding for the January 2022 through June 2022 period. DSS recommends extending the term of the agreement

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and adding funding to allow them to continue the vital services they provide.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

The Auditor Controller and Purchasing have reviewed and approved this Agreement. County Counsel has approved the Agreement as to form.

FINANCING:

This Amendment adds \$342,952 to the agreement and is funded with WPC revenues (\$96,476), County General Fund Contributions for the required WPC match (\$96,476), and HHAP revenues of \$150,000. The overall total over the term of this agreement is funded by \$512,726 of Whole Person Care revenues, \$512,726 of General Fund Contributions, and \$150,000 of HHAP revenues. There are sufficient appropriations and revenues included in the Community Programs 001-5010-SOC004-8258 FY 2021-22 Adopted Budget. The recommended actions do not change the Department's General Fund Contributions for this budget unit.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS STRATEGIC INITIATIVES:

This agreement correlates to the Health & Human Services Strategic Initiative adopted by the Board of Supervisors by providing support services and case management to the County's most vulnerable population of individuals and families experiencing homelessness.

Mark a check to the related Board of Supervisors Strategic Initiatives

Economic Development Administration X Health & Human Services Infrastructure Public Safety

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Attachments: Original Agreement Amendment #1 Proposed Amendment #2

Proposed amendment is on file with the Clerk of the Board as an attachment to this Board report.