



County of Monterey

Item No.43

Board Report

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

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Current Status: Health Department -
Consent

Version: 1

Matter Type: BoS Agreement

Approve and authorize the Director of Health Services or designee to execute a new Non-Standard Agreement between the County of Monterey and Community Foundation for Monterey County for the provision of community outreach, engagement and education for County of Monterey Behavioral Health Bureau's Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Innovation and Prevention and Early Intervention (PEI) programming, for a maximum County obligation of \$277,000 for the retroactive term of October 15, 2023 through June 30, 2024.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors:

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SUMMARY/DISCUSSION

On September 27, 2018, the County of Monterey Behavioral Health Bureau received approval from the Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission (MHSOAC) for the "Screening to Timely Access" MHSA Innovation Plan. This Innovation Plan aims to increase access to mental health services by underserved populations. This agreement with Community Foundation for Monterey County will leverage their Community Health Worker program to reach underserved populations throughout the county, providing access to the WellScreen Monterey mental health screening and referral tool developed as part of the "Screening to Timely Access" plan. Furthermore, this agreement will utilize associated MHSA Innovation funding that may be subject to reversion to the State if not fully expended before December 31, 2023.

Additionally, in FY 2023-24, MHSA PEI revenues are higher than budgeted and this agency has capacity to utilize MHSA PEI funding to promote and make referrals to MHSA PEI funded programming offered through the County of Monterey.

The Director of Health Services recommends the approval of this nonstandard agreement and its nonstandard terms, including the waiving of the County's standard indemnification language. The Office of County Counsel and Risk-Management do not approve the waiving of this provision; however, the Department of Health is willing to bear the potential risks.

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This work supports the Monterey County Health Department 2018-2024 Strategic Plan Goal(s):
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 provision of health care when otherwise unavailable.

This agreement is late in being presented to your Board due to the need for allocating MHPA Innovation funds for expenditure prior to December 31, 2023 to avoid reversion to the State.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

The Office of the County Counsel and Auditor-Controller have reviewed and approved this Agreement as to legal form and fiscal provisions, respectively.

FINANCING:

This Agreement is funded by MHPA INN and PEI Funds. The funds for this Agreement for FY2023-24 (\$277,000) are included in the Health Department’s Behavioral Health (HEA012, Unit 8410) Fiscal Year 2023-24 Adopted Budget.

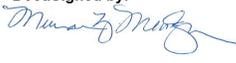
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS STRATEGIC INITIATIVES:

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:

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Attachment:
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Agreement