



Legislation Text

File #: 20-0097, **Version:** 1

Health and Human Services Agency recommending the Board:

- 1) Approve and authorize the Chair to sign Amendment I to Agreement for Services 3087, with EDCA Lifeskills, Inc., for the provision of senior peer counseling services, which increases the maximum contractual obligation for FY 2019-20 by \$8,000 for a new maximum obligation of \$88,000, with no change to the original term of July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2020;
- 2) Make findings in accordance with County Ordinance 3.13.030 (B) "Specialty skills and qualifications not expressly identified in County classifications are involved in the performance of the work"; therefore contracted services can be provided under Agreement 3087; and
- 3) Authorize the Purchasing Agent, or designee, to execute further documents relating to Agreement for Services 3087, including amendments which do not increase the maximum dollar amount or term of the Agreement, and contingent upon approval by County Counsel and Risk Management.

FUNDING: State Funding: 100% Mental Health Services.

DISCUSSION / BACKGROUND:

On June 20, 2017, the Board adopted and authorized implementation of the FY 2017-2018 through FY 2019-2020 Three-Year Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Program and Expenditure Plan (File ID 17-0551, Item 33), which includes the "Senior Peer Counseling" project under the Older Adults Enrichment Project of the Prevention and Early Intervention (PEI) component. The objective of the Senior Peer Counseling project is to provide free confidential individual peer counseling to adults age 55 and older. Senior peer counselor volunteers are provided with training and supervision by a licensed clinical supervisor. In addition to providing peer counseling services, senior peer counselor volunteers evaluate the needs of potential clients, often referring and linking them to other services, including the Health and Human Services Agency's (HHSA) Behavioral Health Division. As older adults themselves, senior peer counselors present an immediate credibility to their clients as a peer.

This Amendment increases the maximum obligation of Agreement 3087 for Senior Peer Counseling (File ID: 18-0894, Item No. 29) by \$8,000 to accommodate the training of new senior peer counselors in April of 2020. Funds from non-implemented projects in MHSA's PEI component will be reallocated to pay for the training.

ALTERNATIVES:

Should the Board decline to approve this Amendment, the availability of trained senior peer counselors will be limited and could result in HHSA being out of compliance with the 2017-2018 MHSA Plan and Annual Plan Updates. Additionally, HHSA may have difficulty meeting the needs of the community.

PRIOR BOARD ACTION:

- 1) 06/20/17, 17-0551, HHSA MHSA Plan
- 2) 06/25/19, 19-0936, MHSA Plan Update 2019-20
- 3) 06/26/10, 18-0894, HHSA EDCA Senior Peer Counseling Agreement 3087

OTHER DEPARTMENT / AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

Approved by County Counsel, Human Resources, and Risk Management.

CAO RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board approve this item.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

There is no Net County Cost associated with this agenda item. Sufficient appropriations were included in the FY 2019-20 budget, and will be included in future budgets for the term of the Agreement.

CLERK OF THE BOARD FOLLOW UP ACTIONS

- 1) Obtain signature of Chair on two (2) originals of Amendment 1 to Agreement for Services 3087.
- 2) Return one (1) fully executed Amendment 1 to the HHSA Contracts Unit at 3057 Briw Road.

STRATEGIC PLAN COMPONENT:

County of El Dorado Strategic Plan Goal: Healthy Communities - Improved health, well-being and self-sufficiency of El Dorado County communities, residents and visitors.

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