

County of El Dorado

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Legislation Text

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Health Services Department, Mental Health Division, recommending the Board authorize the Chair to sign Agreement 023-S1111 with Crossroads Diversified Services, Inc., in the amount of \$99,800 for the term July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011 to provide work readiness activities and employment assistance for mentally disordered adults on an "as requested" basis for said Department.

FUNDING: State Mental Health Services Act.

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BUDGET SUMMARY:		
Total Estimated Cost		\$99,800
Funding		
Budgeted	\$99,800	
New Funding	\$	
Savings	\$	
Other	\$	
Total Funding Available	\$99,800	
Change To Net County Cost		\$0

Fiscal Impact/Change to Net County Cost: The not-to-exceed amount of this Agreement is \$99,800. There is no Net County Cost associated with this Agreement.

Compensation for Services: Payments are made to Contractor based upon monthly invoicing at specified billing rates for actual services performed and documented per contract requirements. Services and rates are detailed on pages 2 and 3 of the contract.

Contract Termination: This Agreement includes the County's standard Fiscal Considerations termination language, as well as a provision for the County to terminate Agreement without cause in seven (7) calendar days upon written notice.

Reason for Recommendation: One of the programs identified in the County's approved MHSA Community Services and Support (CSS) Plan is an employment assistance program for severely mentally ill adults, the goal of which is to enhance self-sufficiency and promote self-reliance in participants through finding and maintaining employment. The population that suffers from mental illness is among the most challenging groups of disabled individuals in relationship to the employment process. Therefore, specialized services such as those provided by this contractor are critical to the success of this effort.

Through the proposed Agreement, Crossroads will provide vocational rehabilitation services and related skills training to program participants. The contractor uses an evidence based model

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designed specifically for this population called "supported employment." Crossroads provides the following services to assist participants in finding and keeping employment: vocational assessment, pre-employment classes, individual support services in finding employment, employment preparation classes, job development and placement services, post-employment support, small business development, and additional support services as needed.

The vendor staff funded by this program work collaboratively with County staff under the general supervision of the MHD Deputy Director or designee.

Action to be taken following Board approval:

- 1. Chair to sign three (3) original Agreements.
- 2. Board Clerk's Office to return two (2) original Agreements to the Health Services Department, Mental Health Division.
- 3. Mental Health Division to distribute as appropriate.

Contact: Neda West, Health Services Department

Concurrences: This Agreement has been approved by County Counsel and Risk Management and a copy is on file in the Board Clerk's Office.