

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 045-S1211 with South Lake Tahoe Family Resource Center in the amount of \$134,468 for the term July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012 to provide outreach and engagement and mental health services primarily for Latino individuals and families in South Lake Tahoe.

FUNDING: State Mental Health Services Act (MHSA).

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Fiscal Impact/Change to Net County Cost: The not-to-exceed amount of this Agreement is \$134,468. 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 in Exhibit C 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 the Agreement without cause upon seven (7) calendar days written notice.

Reason for Recommendation: One of the programs identified in the County's approved MHSA Prevention and Early Intervention (PEI) Plan is a Health Disparities Initiative, addressing health disparities and culturally specific services for the Latino and Native American communities. The PEI Plan specifically calls for the SLT Family Resource Center to provide bilingual/bicultural mental health services, including group work, for the Latino population. Through the proposed Agreement, the SLT Family Resource Center will provide: outreach, engagement, service brokerage, and peer/family support using a Promotora model; an early intervention counseling program for at-risk individuals; and a community-based mental health services center providing culturally specific programs for the local Latino population, including outreach, engagement, screening, service brokerage, and youth, adult, and family psycho-education, skill development, and counseling. The service center staff will

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work in concert with the Promotoras.

The goal of the SLT Family Resource Center program is to reduce barriers to mental health care access, thereby decreasing the health disparities experienced by the Latino population in South Lake Tahoe. This goal is accomplished by use of cultural and linguistic peer outreach and prevention and early intervention strategies to effectively serve the Latino community. The Contractor staff funded by this program work collaboratively with County staff under the general supervision of the MHD Deputy Director or designee.

In accordance with Board of Supervisor's Procurement Policy C-17 Section 7.10, Health Services coordinated the review of the scope of services along with the Contractor's qualifications within the last three years and has provided the results to the Procurement & Contracts Division.

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.