
**NEVADA COUNTY
SHERIFF'S OFFICE**



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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: November 26, 2024

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Shannan Moon, Sheriff-Coroner-Public Administrator

SUBJECT: Informational presentation from the Nevada County Sheriff's Office regarding the Co-Responder Mobile Crisis Team program.

RECOMMENDATION: Accept the presentation from the Nevada County Sheriff's Office

FUNDING: Not Applicable

BACKGROUND: The Nevada County Sheriff's Office, in collaboration with Behavioral Health, runs a co-responder Mobile Crisis Team (MCT) program. The program began as a pilot program in 2020 with one team. A second team was added in 2022. Each team consists of a sheriff deputy and a clinician that is subcontracted, via Behavioral Health, from Sierra Mental Wellness Group (SMWG). Funding for the two teams comes from a combination of grant monies and Sheriff funding. Clinician's time has thus far been funded by grants whereas the deputy time is funded out of the Sheriff's budget.

Since 2020, the Sheriff's Office has seen an increase in the use of MCTs to respond to crisis calls for service. The response allows for persons in crisis to be evaluated in the field and crisis services to be provided on the spot. This often negates the need to transport individuals to the hospital for crisis unit evaluation or intervention. The clinicians also add the ability to assist Sheriff's Office staff when they deal with difficult cases.

Our co-responder MCT teams are unique. Clinicians are embedded within our Operations Division, participate in daily briefings with our deputies, and spend their shifts partnered with the mobile crisis deputies on active patrol. We schedule our teams for maximum coverage seven days a week and during the highest periods of calls for service as determined by regular data analysis.

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