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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE:	June 25, 2024
TO:	Board of Supervisors
FROM:	Phebe Bell
SUBJECT:	Resolution approving execution of an agreement with the Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission (MHSOAC) for the expansion of Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) services via the Substance Use Disorder Pilot grant program for the maximum amount of \$1,000,000 for the contract term of June 25, 2024 through June 30, 2027.

<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>: Approve the attached Resolution.

<u>FUNDING</u>: This funding is from the Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission (MHSOAC). Nevada County has been awarded \$1,000,000 to expand access to MAT services for Nevada County residents. There are no county general fund dollars required.

BACKGROUND: Nevada County has been awarded \$1 million in grant funds from the Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission (MHSOAC). This contract with Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission (MHSOAC) for expanding access to Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) services will support some of Nevada County's most vulnerable residents. There is currently an epidemic in overdoses in Nevada County and California with our local Public Health data showing that from 2019 to 2022 our overdose death rates doubled from 18 – 36 (for a population of 100,000) here in Nevada County. Additionally, in recent months overdoses that include an EMS response have doubled from 2 per week in 2020 to about 4 per week. This grant will give more access to MAT services for those experiencing homelessness because these services will be available at the Commons Resource Center; a resource hub for many services. This funding will support staffing both onsite and virtually, as well as operating costs and clients support costs. This grant is essential to help underserved and at-risk populations in great need of services due to the impact of opioid use disorders.

It is recommended that the Board accept the grant funds and approve this agreement as it allows the provision of essential services to Nevada County residents who are experiencing opioid use disorders and may allow for future funding towards helping this at-risk population.

Item Initiated and Approved by: Phebe Bell, MSW, Director of Behavioral Health