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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: December 12, 2017

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Michael Ertola
Probation Department

SUBJECT: Resolution authorizing the execution of a contract increase with Victor Community Support Services, Inc. to provide clinical and evidence based services for juvenile probationers for fiscal year 2017-2018 to support the Mentally Ill Offender Crime Reduction Grant (MIOCR).

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt the Resolution.

FUNDING: Contract in the original amount of \$200,000 and contract amendment in the amount of \$50,000 for a total of \$250,000 for fiscal year 2017-2018. The contract is 100% funded by the Mentally Ill Offender Crime Reduction Grant (MIOCR). A budget amendment is required to increase MIOCR grant revenue by \$50,000 and subsequently increase Professional Service expenditures by \$50,000. There are no General Fund monies required.

BACKGROUND: In 2015 the Probation Department was awarded a Mentally Ill Offender Crime Reduction (MIOCR) grant (Resolution 15-346) to assist counties in their efforts to reduce disparities in the mentally ill population being represented in the justice system. This population is over represented and there are clinical interventions available to address this issue.

The MIOCR grant outlines the use of community based services to provide clinical interventions.

The contract with Victor Community Support Services (VCSS) provides options to deliver individual, family, therapeutic and case management services to juveniles suffering from mental health issues. Many times community based interventions are more appropriate and effective for juveniles suffering from mental illness than custodial settings. VCSS services include evidence based assessments, treatment practices, moral reconnection therapy, behavior regulation training, cognitive behavioral therapy for clients in Nevada City and Truckee.

The contract amount was expended faster than anticipated after expanding access to services to additional client populations. The amendment will help us transition those clients to other sustainable funding streams such as Medi-Cal.

Item Initiated by: Angelina Coffey, Administrative Services Officer
Approved by: Michael Ertola, Chief Probation Officer
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