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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: January 25, 2022
TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: **Phebe Bell**

SUBJECT: Resolution authorizing execution of Amendment 1 to the contract with Stanford Youth Solutions DBA Stanford Sierra Youth & Families for the provision of comprehensive Specialty Mental Health Services, to increase the contract price from \$1,051,356 to \$1,081,356 (an increase of \$30,000), revise Exhibit "A" Schedule of Services to incorporate one time purchases and amend Exhibit "B" Schedule of Charges and Payments to reflect the increase in the maximum contract price for the contract term of July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2022. (RES 21-254)

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the attached Resolution.

FUNDING: Multiple funding sources are braided together to support these key programs. Services are mainly funded by Medi-Cal Federal Financial Participation (FFP), 2011 Realignment funds and Mental Health Services ACT (MHSA) monies. Additionally, the contract is supported by PSSF (Promoting Safe and Stable Families) annual allocation monies. A budget amendment will be included in the County Wide Budget Amendment to cover this increase. There are no county general fund dollars required in the agreement.

BACKGROUND: On June 22, 2021 per Resolution 21-254, the Nevada County Board of Supervisors executed a contract with Stanford Youth Solutions. Under the current contract, Stanford Youth Solutions provides comprehensive specialized mental health and rehabilitation services for children and youth. The primary target population is pre- and post-adoptive and guardianship children and families. The service area includes both Eastern and Western Nevada County. Services focus on issues related to trauma and permanency for those children who have been removed from birth families.

This population is at risk for a range of mental health illnesses and social-emotional behavioral difficulties stemming from negative pre-adoptive experiences. Some of the more common mental health problems that these particular children/youth may be prone to include: depression, learning/attention problems, low self-esteem, social or peer-related problems, Attention Deficit Disorder, lingering effects of trauma, attachment issues, and risky behavioral problems including alcohol/drug abuse and self-destructive behavior.

Additionally, the contract includes Family Preservation and In-Home Parenting Services. The Family Preservation Program is a multi-disciplinary approach to ensure that families at risk of child abuse and/or neglect or mandatory Child Welfare Services (CWS) intervention, can stay together. The program services are managed and authorized by Behavioral Health; however, Child Welfare Services works closely with the Contractor.

This amendment will support one-time purchases due to higher than anticipated MHSA revenues in FY 20/21. Funding includes purchase of laptops, technology upgrades to conference room, and training.

It is recommended the Board approve this Amendment 1 as it provides for a comprehensive, integrated approach for services that promotes child development and improves outcomes for the successful integration into an adoptive family or guardianship situation as well as encourages family preservation and family reunification when appropriate.

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