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## NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

### Board Agenda Memo

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**MEETING DATE:** May 26, 2020

**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** **Phebe Bell**

**SUBJECT:** Resolution approving execution of Amendment No. 2 to the renewal contract with Victor Community Support Services, Inc. for the expansion of Wraparound and Therapeutic Behavior Services (TBS) to Eastern Nevada County and to 1) increase the Maximum Contract Price from \$1,857,843 to \$1,920,084 (an increase of \$62,241); 2) revise Exhibit "A" Schedule of Services to incorporate increase in capacity of treatment from 50 treatment slots to 65 treatment slots, and 3) revise Exhibit "B" Schedule of Charges and Payments to reflect the increase in the maximum contract price and add an alternative payment mechanism for services provided March through June 2020 due to impacts of the Coronavirus for the term of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020. (RES. 19-373) (RES. 19-591)

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**RECOMMENDATION:** Approve the attached Resolution.

**FUNDING:** Services are funded by Medi-Cal reimbursement, Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) monies (made available to Nevada County from the State), 2011 Realigned EPSDT funds, and State and Local SB 163 Program funding. The services were included in the FY 2019/20 budget and there are no county general fund dollars required in the Agreement.

**BACKGROUND:**  
Per Resolution 19-373, the Board of Supervisors approved the renewal contract with Victor Community Support Services, to provide MHSA program services for children

and youth including Wraparound Services and Therapeutic Behavioral Services (TBS) and subsequently amended on November 12, 2019 per Resolution 19-591.

The target population for the program is children and youth (and their families) who are: seriously emotionally disturbed or seriously mentally ill and at risk or involved in the juvenile justice system, who are likely to benefit from intensive community- based treatment; at risk of psychiatric hospitalization, homelessness, academically failing or special education students within the program. The Contractor shall provide Wraparound services as a Full-Service Partnership consistent with Nevada County's approved MHSA Community Services and Supports Plan. Wraparound includes treatment services, personal support services, and any other support necessary to maintain the child/youth in the family home or at the lowest level of appropriate care. This program began in 2007-08 and has been successful in meeting EPSDT/Medi-Cal funding targets since that time. Therapeutic Behavior Services (TBS) are mental health services for youth who have severe emotional problems and are currently placed in residential treatment or are at risk of such placement or have been hospitalized recently for mental health problems. TBS helps to effect change in targeted behaviors and achieve short-term goals through one to one contact between a mental health provider and a beneficiary for a specified short period. The goal of TBS is to prevent residential placement or psychiatric hospitalization, or to enable transition from those institutions to a lower level of care.

Eastern Nevada County has not had a Wraparound provider in the Truckee area for many years. After discussion with Placer County, a joint RFP was released by the Placer County procurement office to find a shared provider for the Tahoe Truckee region. Unfortunately, agreement could not be reached with any of the applicants and this was declared a failed recruitment. The Behavioral Health department then approached Victor to seek a proposal to address the need for these services in Eastern County. Victor is well qualified to provide these services and this contract expansion allows for access to these high intensity services for children and families throughout Nevada County.

It is recommended that the Board approve the Amendment as it will expand capacity of needed services to youth and adults in our Truckee region. Additionally, this amendment allows the contractor to invoice for 1/12<sup>th</sup> of their contract amount for the period of May through June instead of billing for services provided during this time. This will ensure stable cash flow to the provider during the Coronavirus pandemic as they continue to adapt to providing services to our community and increase their productivity to maximize our ability to draw federal funds. If they do not have expenditures to support the amount received, they are required to pay the money back.

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