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**NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**  
**Board Agenda Memo**

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**MEETING DATE:** July 12, 2022

**TO:** Board of Supervisors

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

**SUBJECT:** Resolution approving execution of a renewal Agreement with Crisis Intervention Services for the provision of Latino Outreach Services, Suicide Prevention Services, Family Support and Parenting Classes, and Mental Health Stigma Reduction in the Eastern County Region as a component of the County's Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Prevention and Early Intervention (PEI) Plan in the maximum amount of \$139,064 for Fiscal Year 2022/2023.

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**RECOMMENDATION:** Approve the attached Resolution.

**FUNDING:** Services are funded by Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Prevention and Early Intervention (PEI) funding made available to Nevada County. Services are within the Department's budget. There are no county general fund dollars required in the Agreement.

**BACKGROUND:** Nevada County and Placer County recently issued a joint Request for Interest (RFI) for Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Prevention and Early Intervention programs in the Tahoe/Truckee region for FY 2022/2023. Crisis Intervention Services (CIS) was successful in the process and will deliver services to the Tahoe/Truckee region in both Placer and Nevada Counties in the areas of 1) Latino Outreach Services; 2) Suicide Prevention Services; 3) Family Support and Parenting Classes; and 4) Mental Health Stigma Reduction.

- 1) Latino Outreach Services: Crisis Intervention Services has been serving the Latino population in Truckee since 2001. Through the Family Resource Center Promotoras Program, paraprofessionals offer health education and assist Latino families in connecting to health resources.
- 2) Suicide Prevention Services: CIS will employ a Suicide Prevention Coordinator that is embedded in the Community Education and Prevention Program, and will work closely with

the Tahoe Truckee Suicide Prevention Coalition to provide education, outreach, and strategies that will mobilize and support the community and prevent future suicides.

- 3) Family Support and Parenting Classes: CIS will provide play groups, support groups and classes aimed at decreasing family isolation, fostering development of peer networks and building skills and confidence in parents.
- 4) Mental Health Stigma Reduction: CIS will provide empowerment groups to students to promote healthy relationships, increase positive self-worth, engage and empower youth to speak out and model healthy lifestyles, and increase the understanding of mental health stigmas and how to support others and seek help.

It is recommended that the Board approve the Agreement which helps to increase the numbers of Latinos seeking mental health treatment, prevent suicide, outreach to those experiencing homelessness, support families and parents, and decrease stigma in accessing and receiving mental health services in the Tahoe/Truckee region.

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