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BEHAVIORAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT

NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: November 26, 2024

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Phebe Bell

SUBJECT: Resolution approving execution of Amendment No. 1 to the renewal

contract with Common Purpose for the provision of outpatient. intensive outpatient. recovery residence. and contingency management services for the treatment of substance use disorders for Drug Medi-Cal members, to increase the maximum contract price from \$2,268,439 to \$3,557,598 (an increase of \$1,289,159), revise Exhibit "A", Schedule of Services to reflect the addition of residential and withdrawal management services at Bost House, and revise Exhibit "B", Schedule of Charges and Payments to reflect the increase in the maximum contract price in the maximum

amount of \$3,557,598 for Fiscal Year 2024/25.(RES. 24-361)

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the attached Resolution.

<u>FUNDING</u>: Funding is provided through Drug Medi-Cal Federal reimbursement, SUBG (Substance Use Block Grant) monies, 2011 Realignment, and reimbursement from Probation and Social Services for participants referred through their departments. There are no county general fund dollars required in the Agreement.

BACKGROUND:

On July 9, 2024, per Resolution 24-361 the Nevada County Board of Supervisors approved execution of the Professional Services Contract with Common Purpose for education and treatment services to persons affected by Substance Use Disorders (SUD). Under this agreement, the Contractor will continue to provide outpatient, intensive outpatient, recovery residence, and contingency management services for the recovery and treatment of SUD, while adding residential treatment and withdrawal management services.

Common Purpose has been providing SUD treatment in Nevada County since 2005. This provider was originally founded with the goal to provide high quality treatment to Nevada County residents. Since their inception, Common Purpose has provided outpatient and intensive outpatient services to those struggling with SUD. Over time they have steadily increased their services to include safe and sober housing through managing recovery

residences, and most recently in 2023 by partnering with the County to launch a state pilot program for those diagnosed with Stimulant Use Disorder, entitled the Recovery Incentives (Contingency Management) Program. This year, Common Purpose is further diversifying their continuum of care for individuals with SUD by adding residential and withdrawal management levels of care.

The purpose of this amendment is to expand Nevada County's SUD treatment network, to more adequately serve the needs of our members. RFP 188711 solicited bids to operate county-owned Bost House, a 27-bed facility from which Common Purpose was selected as the best fit vendor. Common Purpose's desire to increase their scope of services this year aligns with Nevada County's need for better access to the residential and withdrawal management treatment beds already located in our county. As with many counties, SUD treatment beds are a limited and sought after commodity. Often, SUD treatment providers contract with several counties at one time, further limiting access to beds due to competing needs.

The former contractor providing SUD programming within Bost House was contracted with nine Northern California counties, which severely limited our ability to place Nevada County individuals struggling with SUD in those beds. It is Common Purpose's commitment to prioritize Nevada County clients, as this is their home county and focus. Common Purpose has affirmed they plan to only place an individual from another county in the facility if Nevada County is not currently in need of the bed. This dedication to Nevada County members, and success within all other levels of care they already provide, ensures increased bed capacity & quality SUD programming for Nevada County members.

It is recommended that the Board approve this amendment as adding dedicated residential treatment services for our beneficiaries will help program participants achieve and maintain healthy and stable lives, leading to long-term self-sufficiency and recovery from SUD.

Approved by: Phebe Bell, Behavioral Health Director