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

MEETING DATE: April 23, 2024
TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: **Phebe Bell**
SUBJECT: Resolution approving execution of Amendment 1 to the contract with Common Purpose for the provision of recovery residence services for Nevada County Medi-Cal beneficiaries increase the maximum contract price from \$222,000 to \$270,000 (an increase of \$48,000) and revise Exhibit "B", Schedule of Charges and Payments to reflect the increase in the maximum contract price for Fiscal Year 23/24.(Res 23-301)

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the attached Resolution.

FUNDING: Funding is provided with SUBG (Substance Use Block Grant) monies and 2011 Realignment. Services are included in the Department's FY 23/24 budget and there are no county general fund dollars required in the Agreement.

BACKGROUND: On June 27, 2023, per Resolution 23-301, the Nevada County Board of Supervisors approved execution of the Professional Services Contract with Common Purpose to provide education and treatment services to persons affected by substance use disorders.

Recovery Residences are designed to support recovery from substance use disorders, providing a substance-free living environment commonly used to help individuals transition from highly structured residential treatment programs back into their day-to-day lives, such as obtaining employment and establishing a more permanent residence. Recovery housing can be a critical asset in supporting individuals on their journey of recovery. Recovery housing is associated with a variety of positive outcomes for residents including decreased substance use, reduced likelihood of return to use, lower rates of incarceration, higher income, increased employment, and improved family relationships.

Common Purpose provides Recovery Residence services for all genders over the age of 18, and their children. They currently offer a total of 35 Recovery Residence beds, spread out among 3 different sites. Nevada County previously had over 100 total Recovery Residence beds between two contracted providers last year. Unfortunately, the County experienced an unexpected reduction in Recovery Residence bed capacity this fiscal year as Granite Wellness Center lost their lease and closed 5 of their Recovery Residence homes, which previously offered capacity for approximately 50 residents.

These closures have greatly decreased the amount of safe housing opportunities for Nevada County beneficiaries recovering from substance use disorder, and the situation is further complicated by the increased rate of fentanyl-related overdoses Nevada County. This amendment aims to increase funding to support Common Purpose in adding two to three more Recovery Residence homes for County clients. This will allow Nevada County to secure needed and safe housing for some of our most vulnerable residents, early on in their process of recovery. It is recommended that the Board approve this Amendment, as the services provided will help program participants achieve and maintain healthy and stable lives, leading to long-term self-sufficiency and the restoration of family systems.

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