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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 No. 1 to the contract with Granite Wellness Centers for the provision of Perinatal and Non-Perinatal Outpatient Drug Free Treatment and Intensive Outpatient Treatment Services; Comprehensive Residential Treatment Program Services; and Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Services, to residents of Nevada County revising Exhibit "A" Schedule of Services and Exhibit "B" Schedule of Charges and Payments to add the purchase of twenty-two dedicated beds at the Bost House Residential Treatment facility within the current contract maximum. (Res 23-358)

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the attached Resolution.

FUNDING: Contract services are supported by Federal SUBG (Substance Use Block Grant) funds; 2011 Realignment; Community Based Transitional Housing (CBTH) Grant Funding; Court generated Statham funds; Drug Medi-Cal Federal reimbursement; Supportive and Therapeutic Options Program (STOP) funds and funds made available from the Probation and Social Services Departments. Services are within the Department's annual budget. There are no County general fund dollars required in the contract.

BACKGROUND: On July 11, 2023, per Resolution 23-358, the Nevada County Board of Supervisors approved execution of the Professional Services Contract Granite Wellness Centers to provide services related to substance use prevention and treatment for Nevada County residents. The contract includes the following components:

Residential Treatment and Withdrawal Management Programs

Contractor provides 24 hours/7 days per week residential programs. The Contractor's residential treatment and withdrawal management programs provide comprehensive treatment services to adult men and women, over the age of 18, in a carefully structured and supportive environment with a high degree of accountability and integrated continuum of care that focuses on each unique individual and his/her family system. Granite Wellness operates the Lovett Recovery Center/Bost House, which is licensed by the Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs to serve up to 27 adult women/men.

Nevada County has not traditionally contracted for a specific number of Residential or Withdrawal Management Residential Beds. As Granite Wellness Center is contracted with several other Counties, the amount of available beds to Nevada County residents constantly fluctuates and does not always meet the need of our beneficiaries. Additionally, the County experienced an unexpected reduction in bed capacity this fiscal year as Granite Wellness Center lost their lease and closed their Auburn, CA. facility, which previously had capacity for 40 residents. This closure has greatly impacted our ability to place clients in treatment in a timely manner and is further complicated by the increased rate of fentanyl-related overdoses in Nevada County. This amendment aims to pre-purchase 22 beds specifically for Nevada County residents. This will allow the County to secure a small but safe amount of beds for our most acute and in-need beneficiaries, while we work to further expand our overall residential bed capacity in Nevada County.

It is recommended the Board approve this Contract amendment as these contracted services provide a cohesive system for Substance Use Disorder intervention, assessment, treatment and recovery that enhances the well-being of individuals and families, which helps to achieve and maintain healthy and rewarding lifestyles for individuals and families.

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