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## BEHAVIORAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT

### NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

#### Board Agenda Memo

**MEETING DATE:** November 12, 2024

**TO:** Board of Supervisors

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

**SUBJECT:** Resolution approving acceptance of Behavioral Health Bridge Housing (BHBH) Round 3 funds and execution of an amendment to the subcontract agreement with Advocates for Human Potential, Inc. on behalf of the California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) in the maximum amount of \$6,601,814 (an increase of \$3,000,000) for the contract term of June 23, 2023 through June 30, 2027.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Approve the attached Resolution.

**FUNDING:** This amendment is adding the grant award of \$3,000,000 funded from the California Department of Health Care Services for the Behavioral Health Bridge Housing (BHBH) Round 3 program (AB179) being administered through Advocates for Human Potential, Inc. (AHP) to address housing and treatment needs of people experiencing unsheltered homelessness. A budget amendment will be included in the next county consolidated budget amendment once service providers are selected through the RFI/RFP process. There are no county general fund dollars required.

**BACKGROUND:**

On November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023, (SR23-4816) this Board accepted an award of \$3.6 million in BHBH funding and authorized NCBH to sign agreements with DHCS to implement the program in Nevada County. Pursuant to the State approved program plan, NCBH contracted BHBH program funds to Hospitality House Shelter to implement and oversee the BHBH program. Hospitality House moved quickly to stand up 30 beds of interim housing. To date the program has served 75 unique participants, maintained an active monthly roster of 30 participants and has successfully housed 20 participants.

Moving into the 2<sup>nd</sup> year of partnership on this vital program, NCBH and Hospitality House applied for and were awarded Round 3 BHBH funding in the amount of \$3,000,000. Of Round 3 BHBH funds, \$1.5 million will be used to establish and fund a dedicated Housing Navigation component within the BHBH program that will work to accelerate housing placements out of the program. The remaining funds will be used to rehabilitate an existing County owned building into

7 dedicated BHBH program beds and to develop 14 beds of new modular housing on land owned by Hospitality House. Combined these projects will create 21 beds of BHBH housing that is owned and/or operated by County project partners.

It is recommended that the Board approve the acceptance of the funds and authorizes the Behavioral Health Director to execute the Amended and Restated Standard Agreement in order to expedite access to these critically needed services.

**Approved by:** Phebe Bell, Behavioral Health Director