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BEHAVIORAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT

NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: June 3, 2025

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Phebe Bell, Behavioral Health Director

SUBJECT: Resolution approving execution of a contract with Bella Nirvana Center to provide residential and withdrawal management substance use disorder treatment services for Nevada County residents in the maximum amount of \$216,000 for the contract term of April 21, 2025, through June 30, 2026.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the attached Resolution.

FUNDING: Contract services are supported by Drug Medi-Cal Federal reimbursement and 2011 Realignment. A budget amendment is not needed at this time. There are no county general fund dollars required in the contract.

BACKGROUND: Nevada County is currently facing a shortage of residential substance use disorder (SUD) treatment options. Our existing SUD provider network has struggled to meet the rising demand for services due to resource constraints and a reduction in available treatment beds this fiscal year. This has resulted in long wait times and, in some cases, individuals being unable to access timely residential treatment. Additionally, the county as a whole is experiencing a growing number of individuals seeking treatment. This lack of capacity has a direct impact on the health and safety of our community, contributing to increased strain on emergency services, hospitals, and the criminal justice system. To address this gap in services, we are seeking the approval of an additional contract with Bella Nirvana Center, which would expand treatment options and provide much-needed support for individuals in our community struggling with substance use disorder.

Under this contract, Bella Nirvana Center is to provide services related to substance use disorder treatment for Nevada County residents. The contract includes both Residential Treatment and Withdrawal Management.

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 their family system.

It is recommended that the Board approve this contract, as the services provided will help to establish a comprehensive system for Substance Use Disorder intervention, assessment, treatment, and recovery. This addition will significantly enhance the well-being of individuals and families, supporting the achievement and maintenance of healthy, fulfilling lives.

Approved by: Phebe Bell, Behavioral Health Director