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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: July 11, 2023

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Rachel Peña

SUBJECT: Resolution approving execution of an Amendment to the renewal

contract with Welcome Home Vets, Inc. for the securing of

psychotherapy services for the veteran population of Nevada County

to extend the Contract termination Date from June 30, 2023 to

September 30, 2023. (RES. 22-367)

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the attached Resolution.

FUNDING: The State allotted Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Prop 63 to the California Department of Veterans Affairs (CDVA) to enhance the effectiveness of referrals to County Veteran Service Offices (CVSO) for veterans who present with mental health issues. Services will be funded from CSS (Community Services and Supports) dollars received from the State as a component of the County's approved Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Plan. Contract services were planned for in the FY 2023/24 Department budget there are no county general fund requirements for this Amendment.

BACKGROUND: On July 12 2022, per Resolution 22-367, the Nevada County Board of Supervisors approved execution of the Professional Services Contract with Welcome Home Vets, Inc. for the securing of psychotherapy services for the veteran population of Nevada County. The CDVA Prop 63 is now an annual competitive grant. Nevada County was one of the recipients of this grant for FYS 2018/19, 2019/20, and was awarded a two-year grant in FY 2020/21. Nevada County Veterans Service Office will once again contract with Welcome Home Vets to perform mental health outreach throughout the county and provide therapy to veterans and their family members. Through partnership with multiple divisions of Nevada County Department of Social Services (DSS), Nevada County Department of Behavioral Health, Nevada County Court System, community based organizations, and local hospitals, the Veterans Outreach Program will continue to connect veterans to appropriate services for support and treatment.

The procurement process for these services in the next fiscal year is not yet complete, and to avoid any disruption of services to veterans, we are requesting to extend the Contract Termination Date from June 30, 2023 to September 30, 2023.

Item Initiated by: David West, Veterans' Services Officer Rachel Peña, LCSW, Director of Social Services