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## NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

**Board Agenda Memo** 

**MEETING DATE:** January 25, 2022

TO: **Board of Supervisors** 

FROM: **Phebe Bell** 

**SUBJECT:** Resolution approving execution of Amendment 1 to the contract with Nevada County Superintendent of Schools (NCSOS) related to the provision of Latino Outreach Services through the Grass Valley Family Resource Center to increase the contract price from \$61,200 to \$68,248 (an increase of \$7,048), revise Exhibit "A" Schedule of Services to incorporate expanded services and onetime purchases and amend Exhibit "B" Schedule of Charges and Payments to reflect the increase in the maximum contract price for the contract term of July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2022. (RES 21-216)

**RECOMMENDATION:** Approve the attached Resolution.

**FUNDING:** Contract services are funded by MHSA (Mental Health Services Act) Prevention and Early Intervention (PEI) dollars. PEI seeks to address disparities of access to mental health services, and to reach unserved/underserved populations such as members of ethnically/racially diverse communities including those unlikely to seek help from traditional mental health services access points. A budget amendment will be included in the County Wide Budget Amendment to cover this increase. There are no county general fund dollars required in the contract.

**BACKGROUND:** On June 15, 2021 per Resolution 21-216, the Nevada County Board of Supervisors executed a contract with Nevada County Superintendent of Schools (NCSOS). Under this Agreement, Nevada County Superintendent of Schools provides Latino Outreach Services through the Grass Valley Family Resource Center. The targeted focus is the Latino population, a quickly growing population in Nevada County. This population has limited access to Spanish speaking resources, especially mental health services. The Family Resource Center's Promotoras Program employs bicultural and bilingual para-professionals to help Latino families connect to health resources and to offer health education. The Grass Valley Family Resource Center's

Promotoras Program provides mental health outreach and engagement groups for the Latino Community, which are conducted in Spanish.

This amendment will support expanded services and one-time purchases to support programming due to higher than anticipated MHSA revenues in FY 20/21. Funding includes the purchase of iPads and other program materials and expanded services including a movement instructor for students in Immersion or English Language Development classes and childcare for evidence-based parenting education classes.

It is recommended that the Board approve this Amendment as services address unmet needs and improve access to mental health care for community residents.

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