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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: May 10, 2022

TO: **Board of Supervisors**

FROM: **Phebe Bell**

SUBJECT: Resolution accepting funds from Advocates for Human Potential, Inc.

> for the Crisis Care Mobile Unit grant to expand mobile crisis services within the County Behavioral Health System from September 1, 2021 to June 30, 2025 in the maximum amount of \$1,000,000 and authorizes and directs the Auditor-Controller to amend the Behavioral Health Department's Budget for Fiscal Year 2021/22 (4/5 AFFIRMATIVE

VOTE REQUIRED)

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the attached Resolution.

FUNDING: The funding is from the California Department of Health Care Services Crisis Care Mobile Units grant, contracted through Advocates for Human Potential, Inc. (AHP). Nevada County Behavioral Health has been awarded \$1,000,000 to implement, enhance, and support mobile crisis care services within the county through infrastructure development. A budget amendment is included in this Resolution. There are no county general funds required in the Agreement.

BACKGROUND: The California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) Crisis Care Mobile Units (CCMU) program provides funding for California county, city, or tribal entity behavioral health authorities to implement new and enhanced CCMUs. DHCS has contracted with Advocates for Human Potential (AHP) to administer the CCMU grant funding. CCMU will provide funding to expand mobile crisis services and related infrastructure.

This contract with Advocates for Human Potential, Inc. for mobile crisis care services includes funding for:

addition of a 1.0 FTE Youth Crisis Specialist to the Mobile Crisis Team program

- addition of a 0.5 FTE Mobile Crisis Clinical Team Lead to provide clinical and administrative supervision of the Mobile Crisis Specialists
- infrastructure to support mobile crisis services including vehicles, office space and remodel for mobile crisis staff, laptops, monitors, cell phones, and training

Nevada County Behavioral Health will continue to partner with Sierra Mental Wellness Group to expand mobile crisis response services through this additional grant funding.

While the funding became available to spend on September 01, 2021 there was a delay with DHCS and therefore Advocates for Human Potential in finalizing the contract language.

It is recommended that the Board approve this contract as provides funding for expansion of an essential resource for Nevada County families and youth and further enhances the crisis continuum of care for the residents of Nevada County through enhanced mobile crisis care services.

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