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## **NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

### **Board Agenda Memo**

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**MEETING DATE:** September 24, 2019

**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** **Phebe Bell, MSW**

**SUBJECT:** Resolution approving execution of Amendment No. 1 to the Personal Services Contract with Nevada County Housing Development Corporation (NCHDC) for services related to Behavioral Health's community-based housing projects, housing for residents with a mental health disability, and reimbursement for lease/rental agreements for authorized program participants, increasing the maximum Contract Amount to \$436,368 for FY 19/20 (an increase of \$155,610), revising Exhibit "A" Schedule of Services to reflect the additional salary and benefits costs for services provided by a House Liaison and Peer Counselor and master leased housing funds, and revising Exhibit "B" Schedule of Charges and Payments to reflect the increase in the maximum Contract price.

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**RECOMMENDATION:** Approve the attached Resolution.

**FUNDING:** Contract services are funded by Federal U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Continuum of Care grants, Supportive Housing Program Grants as governed by Title IV of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act and the Continuum of Care Regulations, County MHSA (Mental Health Services Act) funds, and Proposition 47 grant funds. Services are within the department's budget, and there are no county general fund dollars required in the agreement.

**BACKGROUND:** This is an amendment to the contract with Nevada County Housing Development Corporation (NCHDC). NCHDC provides services related to Behavioral Health's community-based housing projects targeted to reduce homelessness, helps obtain and maintain housing for residents with a mental health disability, and enters master lease agreements for housing for program participants.

Since entering the existing contract with NCHDC, Nevada County has been awarded \$1,000,000 in Proposition 47 grant funds. In order to enhance the services already in place through this contract, funding from Proposition 47 will be used to add six master-leased low-barrier housing units for those experiencing homelessness who are chronically involved with the justice system.

This amendment also adds additional staff to the contract, including a housing liaison and a peer counselor. The additional staff will provide a continuum of services and care for program participants, including strategies for maintaining housing stability and linkage to benefits and other services such as substance use disorder treatment and behavioral health treatment, as needed.

It is recommended that the Board approve the Amendment as the services provided will help people experiencing homelessness who are involved with the criminal justice system gain stability through housing and linkage to needed services.

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