



**20-325**

**RESOLUTION No.**

**OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF NEVADA**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING EXECUTION OF A RENEWAL  
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH NEVADA  
COUNTY HOUSING DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION  
(NCHDC) FOR SERVICES RELATED TO BEHAVIORAL  
HEALTH'S COMMUNITY-BASED HOUSING PROJECTS  
AND HOUSING FOR RESIDENTS WITH A MENTAL  
HEALTH DISABILITY FOR AUTHORIZED PROGRAM  
PARTICIPANTS IN THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF \$225,026  
FOR THE TERM OF JULY 1, 2020 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2021**

WHEREAS, the Behavioral Health Department receives Mental Health Services Act dollars and Proposition 47 (Prop 47) grant dollars for funding the development of long-term, community-based housing and supportive services for homeless persons with disabilities, as part of a local Continuum of Care Strategy; and

WHEREAS, according to the National Alliance to End Homelessness, approximately half of the people experiencing homelessness suffer from a mental health issue, and mental and physical health problems are often exacerbated by living on the streets and/or homeless shelters; and

WHEREAS, stable housing environments with supportive services have proven critical to helping individuals move from homelessness toward recovery; and

WHEREAS, the County desires to enter into a renewal contract with NCHDC for the continuation of services related to Behavioral Health's community-based housing projects targeted to reduce homelessness for residents with a mental health disability, help obtain and maintain housing for residents with a mental health disability, and to reimburse the Contractor for costs associated with lease/rental agreements for authorized program participants.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Nevada, State of California, that the Personal Services Agreement by and between the County and the Nevada County Housing Development Corporation, pertaining to 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 for the contract term of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021, in the maximum amount of \$225,026, be and hereby is approved in substantially the form attached hereto, and that the Chair of the Board of Supervisors be and is hereby authorized to execute the Contract on behalf of the County of Nevada.

Funds to be disbursed from accounts: 1589-40110-493-8301/521520; 1512-40110-493-1000/521520.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Nevada at a regular meeting of said Board, held on the 28th day of July, 2020, by the following vote of said Board:

Ayes: Supervisors Heidi Hall, Edward Scofield, Dan Miller, Susan K. Hoek and Richard Anderson.

Noes: None.

Absent: None.

Abstain: None.

ATTEST:

JULIE PATTERSON HUNTER  
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Heidi Hall

Heidi Hall, Chair

7/28/2020 cc: BH\*  
AC\* (Hold)

8/17/2020 cc: BH\*  
AC\* (Release)  
NCHDC

**Administering Agency:** Nevada County Behavioral Health Department

**Contract No.** 20-325

**Contract Description:** Coordinating services related to Bridges 2 Housing (B2H), Prop 47 Bridgeport House, and Permanent Supportive Housing

**PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT  
FOR HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**THIS AGREEMENT** is made at Nevada City, California, as of July 28, 2020 by and between the County of Nevada, ("County"), and NEVADA COUNTY HOUSING DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION ("Contractor"), who agree as follows:

1. **Services** Subject to the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement, Contractor shall provide the services described in Exhibit A. Contractor shall provide said services at the time, place, and in the manner specified in Exhibit A.
2. **Payment** County shall pay Contractor for services rendered pursuant to this Agreement at the time and in the amount set forth in Exhibit B. The payment specified in Exhibit B shall be the only payment made to Contractor for services rendered pursuant to this Agreement. Contractor shall submit all billings for said services to County in the manner specified in Exhibit B; or, if no manner be specified in Exhibit B, then according to the usual and customary procedures which Contractor uses for billing clients similar to County. **The amount of the contract shall not exceed Two Hundred Twenty Five Thousand Twenty Six Dollars (\$225,026).**
3. **Term** This Agreement shall commence on July 1, 2020. All services required to be provided by this Agreement shall be completed and ready for acceptance no later than the **Agreement Termination Date** of: June 30, 2021.
4. **Facilities, Equipment and Other Materials** Contractor shall, at its sole cost and expense, furnish all facilities, equipment, and other materials which may be required for furnishing services pursuant to this Agreement.
5. **Exhibits** All exhibits referred to herein and attached hereto are incorporated herein by this reference.
6. **Electronic Signatures** The parties acknowledge and agree that this Agreement may be executed by electronic signature, which shall be considered as an original signature for all purposes and shall have the same force and effect as an original signature. Without limitation, "electronic signature" shall include faxed or emailed versions of an original signature or electronically scanned and transmitted versions (e.g., via pdf) of an original signature.
7. **Time for Performance** Time is of the essence. Failure of Contractor to perform any services within the time limits set forth in Exhibit A or elsewhere in this Agreement shall constitute material breach of this contract. Contractor shall devote such time to the performance of services pursuant to this Agreement as may be reasonably necessary for the satisfactory performance of Contractor's obligations pursuant to this Agreement. Neither party shall be considered in default of this Agreement to the extent performance is prevented or delayed by any cause, present or future, which is beyond the reasonable control of the party.

8. **Liquidated Damages**

Liquidated Damages are presented as an estimate of an intangible loss to the County. It is a provision that allows for the payment of a specified sum should Contractor be in breach of contract. Liquidated Damages ☐shall apply ☒shall not apply to this contract. Liquidated Damages applicable to this contract are incorporated in Exhibit F, attached hereto.

9. **Relationship of Parties**

9.1. **Independent Contractor**

In providing services herein, Contractor, and the agents and employees thereof, shall work in an independent capacity and as an independent contractor and not as agents or employees of County. Contractor acknowledges that it customarily engages independently in the trade, occupation, or business as that involved in the work required herein. Further the Parties agree that Contractor shall perform the work required herein free from the control and direction of County, and that the nature of the work is outside the usual course of the County's business. In performing the work required herein, Contractor shall not be entitled to any employment benefits, Workers' Compensation, or other programs afforded to County employees. Contractor shall hold County harmless and indemnify County against such claim by its agents or employees. County makes no representation as to the effect of this independent contractor relationship on Contractor's previously earned California Public Employees Retirement System ("CalPERS") retirement benefits, if any, and Contractor specifically assumes the responsibility for making such determination. Contractor shall be responsible for all reports and obligations including but not limited to: social security taxes, income tax withholding, unemployment insurance, disability insurance, workers' compensation and other applicable federal and state taxes.

9.2. **No Agent Authority** Contractor shall have no power to incur any debt, obligation, or liability on behalf of County or otherwise to act on behalf of County as an agent. Neither County nor any of its agents shall have control over the conduct of Contractor or any of Contractor's employees, except as set forth in this Agreement. Contractor shall not represent that it is, or that any of its agents or employees are, in any manner employees of the County.

9.3. **Indemnification of CalPERS Determination** In the event that Contractor or any employee, agent, or subcontractor of Contractor providing service under this Agreement or is determined by a court of competent jurisdiction or CalPERS to be eligible for enrollment in CalPERS as an employee of the County, Contractor shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless County for all payments on behalf of Contractor or its employees, agents, or subcontractors, as well as for the payment of any penalties and interest on such contributions, which would otherwise be the responsibility of County.

10. **Assignment and Subcontracting** Except as specifically provided herein, the rights, responsibilities, duties and Services to be performed under this Agreement are personal to the Contractor and may not be transferred, subcontracted, or assigned without the prior written consent of County. Contractor shall not substitute or replace any personnel for those specifically named herein or in its proposal without the prior written consent of County.

Contractor shall cause and require each transferee, subcontractor, and assignee to comply with the insurance provisions set forth herein, to the extent such insurance provisions are required of Contractor under this Agreement. Failure of Contractor to so cause and require such compliance by each transferee, subcontractor, and assignee shall constitute a Material Breach of this Agreement, and, in addition to any other remedy available at law or otherwise, shall serve



as a basis upon which County may elect to suspend payments hereunder, or terminate this Agreement, or both.

11. **Licenses, Permits, Etc.** Contractor represents and warrants to County that Contractor shall, at its sole cost and expense, obtain or keep in effect at all times during the term of this Agreement, any licenses, permits, and approvals which are legally required for Contractor to practice its profession at the time the services are performed.
12. **Hold Harmless and Indemnification Agreement** To the fullest extent permitted by law, each Party (the "Indemnifying Party") hereby agrees to protect, defend, indemnify, and hold the other Party (the "Indemnified Party"), its officers, agents, employees, and volunteers, free and harmless from any and all losses, claims, liens, demands, and causes of action of every kind and character resulting from the Indemnifying Party's negligent act, willful misconduct, or error or omission, including, but not limited to, the amounts of judgments, penalties, interest, court costs, legal fees, and all other expenses incurred by the Indemnified Party arising in favor of any party, including claims, liens, debts, personal injuries, death, or damages to property (including employees or property of the Indemnified Party) and without limitation, all other claims or demands of every character occurring or in any way incident to, in connection with or arising directly or indirectly out of, the Agreement. The Indemnifying Party agrees to investigate, handle, respond to, provide defense for, and defend any such claims, demand, or suit at the sole expense of the Indemnifying Party, using legal counsel approved in writing by Indemnified Party. Indemnifying Party also agrees to bear all other costs and expenses related thereto, even if the claim or claims alleged are groundless, false, or fraudulent. This provision is not intended to create any cause of action in favor of any third party against either Party or to enlarge in any way either Party's liability but is intended solely to provide for indemnification of the Indemnified Party from liability for damages, or injuries to third persons or property, arising from or in connection with Indemnifying Party's performance pursuant to this Agreement. This obligation is independent of, and shall not in any way be limited by, the minimum insurance obligations contained in this agreement.
13. **Certificate of Good Standing** Registered corporations including those corporations that are registered non-profits shall possess a Certificate of Good Standing also known as Certificate of Existence or Certificate of Authorization from the California Secretary of State, and further warrants to shall keep its status in good standing and effect during the term of this Contract.
14. **Standard of Performance** Contractor shall perform all services required pursuant to this Agreement in the manner and according to the standards observed by a competent practitioner of the profession in which Contractor is engaged in the geographical area in which Contractor practices its profession. All products of whatsoever nature which Contractor delivers to County pursuant to this Agreement shall be prepared in a substantial first class and workmanlike manner and conform to the standards or quality normally observed by a person practicing in Contractor's profession.

Contractor without additional compensation. Contractor's personnel, when on the County's premises and when accessing the County network remotely, shall comply with the County's regulations regarding security, remote access, safety and professional conduct, including but not limited to Nevada County Security Policy NCSP-102 Nevada County External User Policy and Account Application regarding data and access security. Contractor personnel will solely utilize the County's privileged access management platform for all remote access support functions, unless other methods are granted in writing by the County's Chief Information Officer or his/her designee.

15. **Prevailing Wage and Apprentices** To the extent made applicable by law, performance of this Agreement shall be in conformity with the provisions of California Labor Code, Division 2, Part 7, Chapter 1, commencing with section 1720 relating to prevailing wages which must be paid to workers employed on a public work as defined in Labor Code section 1720, et seq., and shall be in conformity with Title 8 of the California Code of Regulations section 200 et seq., relating to apprenticeship. Where applicable:
- Contractor shall comply with the provisions thereof at the commencement of Services to be provided herein, and thereafter during the term of this Contract. A breach of the requirements of this section shall be deemed a material breach of this contract. Applicable prevailing wage determinations are available on the California Department of Industrial Relations website at <http://www.dir.ca.gov/OPRL/PWD>.
  - Contractor and all subcontractors must comply with the requirements of Labor Code section 1771.1(a) pertaining to registration of contractors pursuant to section 1725.5. Registration and all related requirements of those sections must be maintained throughout the performance of the Agreement.
  - Contracts to which prevailing wage requirements apply are subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the Department of Industrial Relations. Each Contractor and subcontractor must furnish certified payroll records to the Labor Commissioner at least monthly.
  - The County is required to provide notice to the Department of Industrial Relations of any public work contract subject to prevailing wages within five (5) days of award.
16. **Accessibility** It is the policy of the County of Nevada that all County services, programs, meetings, activities and facilities shall be accessible to all persons, and shall be comply with the provisions of the Americans With Disabilities Act and Title 24, California Code of Regulations. To the extent this Contract shall call for Contractor to provide County contracted services directly to the public, Contractor shall certify that said direct Services are and shall be accessible to all persons.
17. **Nondiscriminatory Employment** Contractor shall not discriminate in its employment practices because of race, religious creed, color, national origin, ancestry, physical handicap, medical condition, marital status, sex or sexual orientation in contravention of the California Fair Employment and Housing Act, Government Code section 12900 et seq.
18. **Drug-Free Workplace** Senate Bill 1120, (Chapter 1170, Statutes of 1990), requires recipients of state grants to maintain a "drug-free workplace". Every person or organization awarded a contract for the procurement of any property or services shall certify as required under Government Code Section 8355-8357 that it will provide a drug-free workplace.
19. **Political Activities** Contractor shall in no instance expend funds or use resources derived from this Contract on any political activities.
20. **Financial, Statistical and Contract-Related Records:**
- 20.1. **Books and Records** Contractor shall maintain statistical records and submit reports as required by County. Contractor shall also maintain accounting and administrative books and records, program procedures and documentation relating to licensure and accreditation as they pertain to this Contract. All such financial, statistical and contract-related records shall be retained for five (5) years or until program review findings and/or audit findings are resolved, whichever is later. Such records shall include but not be limited to bids and all supporting documents, original entry books, canceled checks,

receipts, invoices, payroll records, including subsistence, travel and field expenses, together with a general ledger itemizing all debits and credits.

- 20.2. **Inspection** Upon reasonable advance notice and during normal business hours or at such other times as may be agreed upon, Contractor shall make all of its books and records available for inspection, examination or copying, to County, or to the State Department of Health Care Services, the Federal Department of Health and Human Services, the Controller General of the United States and to all other authorized federal and state agencies, or their duly authorized representatives.
- 20.3. **Audit** Contractor shall permit the aforesaid agencies or their duly authorized representatives to audit all books, accounts or records relating to this Contract, and all books, accounts or records of any business entities controlled by Contractor who participated in this Contract in any way. All such records shall be available for inspection by auditors designated by County or State, at reasonable times during normal business hours. Any audit may be conducted on Contractor's premises or, at County's option, Contractor shall provide all books and records within fifteen (15) days upon delivery of written notice from County. Contractor shall promptly refund any moneys erroneously charged and shall be liable for the costs of audit if the audit establishes an over-charge of five percent (5%) or more of the Maximum Contract Price.
21. **Cost Disclosure:** In accordance with Government Code Section 7550, should a written report be prepared under or required by the provisions of this Contract, Contractor agrees to state in a separate section of said report the numbers and dollar amounts of all contracts and subcontracts relating to the preparation of said report.
22. **Termination.**
- A. A Material Breach , as defined pursuant to the terms of this Agreement or otherwise, in addition to any other remedy available at law or otherwise, shall serve as a basis upon which County may elect to immediately suspend payments hereunder, or terminate this agreement, or both, without notice.
  - B. If Contractor fails to timely provide in any manner the services materials and products required under this Agreement, or otherwise fails to promptly comply with the terms of this Agreement, or violates any ordinance, regulation or other law which applies to its performance herein, County may terminate this Agreement by giving **five (5) calendar days written notice to Contractor.**
  - C. Either party may terminate this Contract for any reason, or without cause, by giving **thirty (30) calendar days written notice** to the other, which notice shall be sent by registered mail in conformity with the notice provisions, below. In the event of termination not the fault of the Contractor, the Contractor shall be paid for services performed to the date of termination in accordance with the terms of this Contract. Contractor shall be excused for failure to perform services herein if such performance is prevented by acts of God, strikes, labor disputes or other forces over which the Contractor has no control.
  - D. County, upon giving **thirty (30) calendar days written notice** to Contractor, shall have the right to terminate its obligations under this Agreement at the end of any fiscal year if the County or the State of California, as the case may be, does not appropriate funds sufficient to discharge County's obligations coming due under this contract.
  - E. Any notice to be provided under this section may be given by the Agency Director.
  - F. Suspension: County, upon giving seven (7) calendar days written notice to Contractor, shall have the right to suspend this Contract, in whole or in part, for any time period as County deems necessary due to delays in Federal, State or County appropriation of funds, lack of demand for services to be provided under this contract, or other good cause. Upon receipt of a notice of suspension from County, Contractor shall immediately suspend or stop work

as directed by County and shall not resume work until and unless County gives Contractor a written notice to resume work. In the event of a suspension not the fault of the Contractor, Contractor shall be paid for services performed to the date of the notice of suspension in accordance with the terms of this Contract.

In the event this Agreement is terminated:

- 1) Contractor shall deliver copies of all writings prepared by it pursuant to this Agreement. The term "writings" shall be construed to mean and include: handwriting, typewriting, printing, Photostatting, photographing, and every other means of recording upon any tangible thing any form of communication or representation, including letters, words, pictures, sounds, or symbols, or combinations thereof.
- 2) County shall have full ownership and control of all such writings delivered by Contractor pursuant to this Agreement.
- 3) County shall pay Contractor the reasonable value of services rendered by Contractor to the date of termination pursuant to this Agreement not to exceed the amount documented by Contractor and approved by County as work accomplished to date; provided, however, that in no event shall any payment hereunder exceed the amount of the agreement specified in Exhibit B, and further provided, however, County shall not in any manner be liable for lost profits which might have been made by Contractor had Contractor completed the services required by this Agreement. In this regard, Contractor shall furnish to County such financial information as in the judgment of the County is necessary to determine the reasonable value of the services rendered by Contractor. The foregoing is cumulative and does not affect any right or remedy, which County may have in law or equity.

23. **Intellectual Property** To the extent County provides any of its own original photographs, diagrams, plans, documents, information, reports, computer code and all recordable media together with all copyright interests thereto, not the property of Contractor (herein "Intellectual Property"), which concern or relate to this Contract and which have been prepared by, for or submitted to Contractor by County, shall be the property of County, and upon fifteen (15) days demand therefor, shall be promptly delivered to County without exception.
24. **Waiver** One or more waivers by one party of any major or minor breach or default of any provision, term, condition, or covenant of this Agreement shall not operate as a waiver of any subsequent breach or default by the other party.
25. **Conflict of Interest** Contractor certifies that no official or employee of the County, nor any business entity in which an official of the County has an interest, has been employed or retained to solicit or aid in the procuring of this agreement. In addition, Contractor agrees that no such person will be employed in the performance of this agreement unless first agreed to in writing by County. This includes prior Nevada County employment in accordance with County Personnel Code
26. **Entirety of Agreement** This Agreement contains the entire agreement of County and Contractor with respect to the subject matter hereof, and no other agreement, statement, or promise made by any party, or to any employee, officer or agent of any party, which is not contained in this Agreement, shall be binding or valid.
27. **Alteration** No waiver, alteration, modification, or termination of this Agreement shall be valid unless made in writing and signed by all parties, except as expressly provided in Section 19, Termination.



28. **Governing Law and Venue** This Agreement is executed and intended to be performed in the State of California, and the laws of that State shall govern its interpretation and effect. The venue for any legal proceedings regarding this Agreement shall be the County of Nevada, State of California. Each party waives any Federal court removal and/or original jurisdiction rights it may have.
29. **Compliance with Applicable Laws** Contractor shall comply with any and all federal, state and local laws, codes, ordinances, rules and regulations which relate to, concern or affect the Services to be provided by this Contract.
30. **Confidentiality** Contractor, its employees, agents and or subcontractors may come in contact with documents that contain information regarding matters that must be kept confidential by the County, including personally identifiable patient or client information. Even information that might not be considered confidential for the usual reasons of protecting non-public records should be considered by Contractor to be confidential.

Contractor agrees to maintain confidentiality of information and records as required by applicable federal, state, and local laws, regulations and rules and recognized standards of professional practice.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the Contractor agrees to protect the confidentiality of any confidential information with which the Contractor may come into contact in the process of performing its contracted services. This information includes but is not limited to all written, oral, visual and printed patient or client information, including but not limited to: names, addresses, social security numbers, date of birth, driver's license number, case numbers, services provided, social and economic conditions or circumstances, agency evaluation of personal information, and medical data.

The Contractor shall not retain, copy, use, or disclose this information in any manner for any purpose that is not specifically permitted by this agreement. Violation of the confidentiality of patient or client information may, at the option of the County, be considered a material breach of this Agreement.

31. **Additional Contractor Responsibilities**
- A. To the extent Contractor is a mandated reporter of suspected child and/or dependent adult abuse and neglect, it shall ensure that its employees, agents, volunteers, subcontractors, and independent contractors are made aware of, understand, and comply with all reporting requirements. Contractor shall immediately notify County of any incident or condition resulting in injury, harm, or risk of harm to any child or dependent adult served under this Agreement.
  - B. Contractor will immediately notify County of any active complaints, lawsuits, licensing or regulatory investigations, reports of fraud or malfeasance, or criminal investigations regarding its operations. Contractor agrees to work cooperatively with County in response to any investigation commenced by County with regard to this Agreement or the clients served herein, including providing any/all records requested by County related thereto.
  - C. Contractor shall employ reasonable background check procedures on all employees, prospective employees, volunteers and consultants performing work involving direct contact with minor children or dependent adults under this Agreement, including fingerprinting and criminal records checks, sexual offender registry checks, and reference checks, including both personal and professional references.

32. **Notification. Any notice or demand desired or required to be given hereunder shall be in writing and deemed given when personally delivered or deposited in the mail, postage prepaid, and addressed to the parties as follows:**

COUNTY OF NEVADA:

500 Crown Point Circle, Suite 120Grass  
Valley, CA 95945

Nevada County

Health and Human Services Agency,  
Housing and Community Services Division

Attn: Suzanne McMaster

CONTRACTOR: NCHDC

P.O. Box 5216

Auburn, California 95604

Attn: Jennifer Price

Phone: (530) 470-2418

Phone: (530) 878-5088

Any notice so delivered personally shall be deemed to be received on the date of delivery, and any notice mailed shall be deemed to be received five (5) days after the date on which it was mailed.

Executed as of the day first above stated:

**Authority:** All individuals executing this Contract on behalf of Contractor represent and warrant that they are authorized to execute and deliver this Contract on behalf of Contractor.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the parties have executed this Contract effective on the Beginning Date, above.

**COUNTY OF NEVADA:**

By: Heidi Hall Date: Aug 14, 2020  
Heidi Hall (Aug 14, 2020 11:58 PDT)

Printed Name/Title: Honorable Heidi Hall, Chair, of the Board of Supervisors

By: Julie Patterson Hunter

Attest: Julie Patterson Hunter, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

**CONTRACTOR: NCHDC HOUSING**

By: Suzi deFosset, MA Date: Aug 11, 2020  
Suzi deFosset, MA (Aug 11, 2020 07:37 PDT)

Name: Suzi deFosset, MA

\* Title: Chairperson of Board

By: Tom Drake Date: Aug 14, 2020  
Tom Drake (Aug 14, 2020 09:19 PDT)

Name: Tom Drake

\* Title: Secretary

***\*If Contractor is a corporation, this agreement must be signed by two corporate officers; one of which must be the secretary of the corporation, and the other may be either the President or Vice President, unless an authenticated corporate resolution is attached delegating authority to a single officer to bind the corporation (California Corporations Code Sec. 313).***

**Exhibits**

**Exhibit A: Schedule of Services**

**Exhibit B: Schedule of Charges and Payments**

**Exhibit C: Insurance Requirements**

**EXHIBIT "A"**  
**SCHEDULE OF SERVICES**  
**NEVADA COUNTY HOUSING DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**

Nevada County Behavioral Health hereinafter referred to as "County", and Nevada County Housing Development Corporation hereinafter referred to as "Contractor", agree to enter into a specific contract for services related to Behavioral Health's community-based housing programs

- Bridges 2 Housing (B2H) interim low barrier housing designed to provide short term stability for individuals transitioning from or between other community settings and into permanent housing.
- Prop 47 Bridgeport House – transitional housing (up to 24 months) for mentally ill individuals with high levels of recidivism in jails or a high degree of law enforcement contact
- Permanent Supportive Housing – permanent housing and wrap around supportive services for chronically homeless individuals living with disabilities

These programs target vulnerable county residents who are homeless and who are living with a mental health disabilities, substance use and/or co-occurring disorders Contractor costs associated with providing specific supportive services as described in the scope of work for authorized program participants. The Contractor costs associated with providing supportive services to housing program participants will be reimbursed upon successful administration of services outlines in the description of services.

**Background:**

Approximately half of the people experiencing homelessness suffers from a mental health issue, according to the National Alliance to End Homelessness. Mental and physical health problems are often exacerbated by living on the streets and / or in homeless shelters. In 2010, the Nevada County Homeless Coordinating Council and the Placer Consortium on Homelessness agreed to merge. This organization is now a non-profit, Homeless Resource Council of the Sierras (HRCS). HRCS works to achieve improved coordination of services, more efficient resource allocation and regional planning to address homelessness. Nevada County Housing Development Corporation (NCHDC) is a charter member of HRCS.

Over the last several years, Nevada County, in partnership with HRCS and NCHDC, has been able to expand housing opportunities services for the chronically homeless through grants awarded by Housing and Urban Development (HUD). These grants support three Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) programs (Winters Haven, Summers Haven, and Home Anew) by providing rental subsidies to over 30 individuals. These individuals are also provided with supportive housing services through Behavioral Health and other contracted providers. Supportive housing enables this special needs population to live as independently as possible in permanent housing.

In 2018, Nevada County worked to build on the success of the PSH program and the experience of the Contractor's delivery of similar services to implement a Housing First pilot project to expand housing opportunities for individuals experiencing chronic homelessness and co-occurring mental health and substance use disorders. The County provided funding to the Contractor to master lease a minimum of 12 bed units of housing. The Contractor located 3 houses at scattered sites in the community.

In 2019, the County received additional funding from state and federal sources to acquire housing units and provide rental assistance to homeless and chronically homeless individuals with mental illness and substance abuse issues. To coordinate across multiple funding sources and manage grants and contracts across multiple departments, HHSA staff a weekly Homeless Taskforce meeting. These meetings established the need for clearer communications and delineation of contracted activities when multiple county departments are contracting with a single provider with similar services. The Homeless Taskforce agreed to approach FY 2020 contracts with a new found



sense of clarity on the roles of each department in providing housing and services to highly vulnerable homeless residents of Nevada County. Housing and Community Services (HCS) will administer one contract covering only activities related to acquiring and maintaining housing and Behavioral Health will administer a separate contract related to services provided to individuals and families who reside in the housing units.

**Overview of Program:**

Nevada County Behavioral Health's housing programs target individuals with a mental health disability. Supportive housing enables this special need population to live as independently as possible in permanent housing. The primary objective of the Nevada County Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Housing Program and Nevada County supported housing programs (SHP-Summer's Haven, Home Anew and Winters' Haven) is to support individuals with mental health disabilities in acquiring and maintaining their housing.

The Supportive Housing Programs through grant agreements with HUD are designed to promote, as part of a local Continuum of Care Strategy, the development of long-term, community-based housing and supportive services for MHSA eligible homeless persons with mental health disabilities.

The goal of the Proposition 47 Homeless & Justice involved project is to reduce recidivism and conserve community resources by diverting justice involved, homeless individuals with behavioral health needs from jail into mental health and substance use disorder treatment using targeted housing supports; including low barrier, sober housing, and rental assistance, among other tools.

**Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) Program:**

- NCHDC staffing to include Program Manager (.5 FTE), Peer Counselor (1.0 FTE) and House Liaison (Penn Valley) to provide the following services in support of the PSH program as well as other program identified below
- Provide Housing Coordinator services to include administrative and supportive services.

- Provide assistance to potential tenants in completing their housing applications, which may include driving potential tenants to community based organizations to pick up documents, or to sign up for benefits, etc.
- Determine applicant's eligibility for Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Housing Programs, including SHP Programs based on the following criteria and in accordance with HUD Program applicable rules and regulations:
  1. Homelessness
  2. Disability
  3. Income
  4. Resources
  5. Resident Rental share based on income
- Negotiate and enter a minimum of seventeen (17) rooms with Master Leases, which will be limited to HUD Fair Market Rates and/or Public Housing Authority Rent Payment Standards, with landlords for properties to be sublet to tenants with HUD vouchers.
- Assist potential tenants to negotiate and enter a minimum of two rental agreements with landlords.
- Sublet master-leased units to mental health clients.
- Assist tenants to identify furnishing and household item needs and coordinate with County Behavioral Health staff for approval and purchasing.
- Organize social activities for housing clients and provide transportation to and from activities
- Support clients in identifying vocational, educational, and recreational activities
- Support clients in life skills development including meal planning, budgeting, cooking, bill paying, and household maintenance
- Assist tenants year round on meeting their housing program goals so that they may remain in permanent housing. Assistance may include:
  1. Helping participants increase skills and/or income
  2. Working with Behavioral Health and Contractor staff to help participants achieve greater self-determination to live independently as possible.
  3. Assisting participants in applying for other state and federal programs such as SSI, Housing Choice Vouchers, General Assistance, Food Stamps, etc.
- Serve as the Housing Coordinator liaison between landlords, tenants, and the County.

**NCHDC Housing Program Manager (.5FTE):**

- Provides oversight and leadership to the Nevada County Housing programs; implements and enforces AMIH's policies and procedures and ensures compliance with the landlord and tenant regulations; AMIH tenant agreements and house rules; formulates strategies and tactics to mitigate violations
- Oversees staff performing staff calculations and verification of incomes; move in and move out procedures;
- Guides AMIH staff in effectively resolving difficult tenant issues and disputes
- Leads, supervises, and directs AMIH's Nevada County housing team including Housing Coordinator, Prop 47 service coordinator, Peer Counselor, and House Liaisons.

**Peer Counselor (1.0 FTE)**

- Assist housing program participants with their day-to-day needs including teaching life skills, providing behavioral modification, ensuring program rules are following
- Assist with organizing and facilitating house meetings
- Coordinate monthly social outings; transport residents to and from activities

#### **Housing Administrative Support (.75 FTE)**

- **Ensure that HMIS data is collected and entered into HMIS database**
- **Coordinate all paperwork associated with PSH and B2H including leases and verification documents are complete and up to date; ensure that HUD documentation is complete and up to date**

#### **House Liaison (Purdon, Prop 47 and Penn Valley):**

- Orient new residents to the home; assist with weekly meal planning and grocery shopping and other daily living skills
- Coordinate monthly social outings; provide transportation to activities
- Interact with residents and monitor their overall well being

#### **Bridges to Housing Program (Purdon House) Contractor Responsibilities:**

- Bridges 2 Housing (B2H) interim low barrier housing is designed to provide short term stability for individuals transitioning from or between other community settings and into permanent housing.
- Develop Purdon House policies and procedures; Purdon House Rules and Purdon House Client Agreement
- Enter all relevant intake, referral and discharge data in HMIS for Purdon House participants
- Provide daily check-ins and daily life skills/Recovery Groups
- Support tenants in increasing life skills and/or income, education
- Support Purdon House Liaison in their responsibilities as follows
  - Living onsite at the Purdon master-leased house
  - Help troubleshoot tenant relations issues
  - Participate in daily morning check-in with residents
  - Ensure residents' adherence to house rules, especially after hours
  - Check in with NCHDC Housing Program Manager at least weekly regarding house dynamics and tenants' adherence to house rules.

**EXHIBIT "B"**  
**SCHEDULE OF CHARGES AND PAYMENTS**  
**NEVADA COUNTY HOUSING DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**

Subject to the satisfactory performance of services required of Contractor pursuant to this Agreement, and the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement, the County shall pay Contractor a maximum amount not to exceed \$225,026 for the performance of all services to be provided under this Agreement. The maximum obligation of this Contract is contingent and dependent upon final approval of State budget and County receipt of anticipated funding to support program expenses. Please note with the current dire economic forecast the risk of mid year contract adjustments are higher than usual.

The contract maximum is based on the following 20/21 estimated project budget:

	<u>MHSA CSS</u>	<u>MHSA INN</u>	<u>Prop 47</u>	<u>Total Budget</u>
<b>Personnel</b>				
Program Manager	\$ 8,667	\$ 8,668	\$ 8,666	\$ 26,000
Housing Administrator	\$ 25,740		\$ 2,340	\$ 28,080
House Liaisons	\$ 2,470	\$ 5,070	\$ 5,070	\$ 12,610
Peer Counselor		\$ 31,200		\$ 31,200
Case Manager			\$ 41,600	\$ 41,600
Benefits	\$ 5,161	\$ 5,980	\$ 7,891	\$ 19,032
Taxes	\$ 4,056	\$ 4,943	\$ 6,344	\$ 15,344
Workers Comp	\$ 1,659	\$ 2,022	\$ 2,595	\$ 6,277
<b>Subtotal Personnel</b>	<b>\$ 47,754</b>	<b>\$ 57,883</b>	<b>\$ 74,507</b>	<b>\$ 180,143</b>
<b>Operations</b>				
Auto (mileage included)	\$ 4,977	\$ 2,126	\$ 6,660	\$ 13,763
Bus Passes for tenants	\$ 2,500			\$ 2,500
Operating expenses (cellphone, office supplies, travel etc.)	\$ 3,708	\$ 3,300	\$ 1,155	\$ 8,163
<b>Subtotal Operations</b>	<b>\$ 11,185</b>	<b>\$ 5,426</b>	<b>\$ 7,815</b>	<b>\$ 24,426</b>
<b>Indirect/Admin</b>	<b>\$ 5,894</b>	<b>\$ 6,330</b>	<b>\$ 8,232</b>	<b>\$ 20,457</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 64,833</b>	<b>\$ 69,639</b>	<b>\$ 90,554</b>	<b>\$ 225,026</b>

County shall review the invoice and notify Contractor within fifteen (15) working days if an individual item or group of costs is questioned. Contractor has the option to remove the questioned cost(s) or delay payment pending resolution of the cost(s).

Contractor shall notify County immediately when a lease is terminated, and refund to County within thirty (30) days of receipt any payments made after termination.

Contract reimbursement will be based on actual salary/benefits of Contractor's assigned staff and program expenses. Contractor shall submit monthly invoices with an itemized breakdown by grant program listing:

- Date(s) and number(s) of hours of services performed,
- Mileage (at the approved IRS mileage rate),



- Office supplies
- Administrative costs calculated as 10% of the total of the month's expenses including all lease reimbursements due for that month (which are invoiced separately).

Contractor agrees to be responsible for the validity of all invoices and vouchers.

County shall review the invoice and notify Contractor within fifteen (15) working days if an individual item or group of costs is questioned. Contractor has the option to remove the questioned cost(s) or delay the entire invoice pending resolution of the cost(s). Payment of approved invoices shall be made within thirty (30) days of receipt of a complete, correct, and approved invoice. Contractor shall submit invoices, reports and documentation, and lease reimbursement vouchers to:

Nevada County Behavioral Health  
 Department Attn: Fiscal Staff  
 500 Crown Point Circle,  
 Suite 120  
 Grass Valley, California 95945

## EXHIBIT C

### INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

**Insurance.** Contractor shall procure and maintain for the duration of the contract insurance against claims for injuries to persons or damages to property which may arise from or in connection with the performance of the work hereunder by the Contractor, its agents, representatives, or employees. Coverage shall be at least as broad as:

- (i) **Commercial General Liability CGL:** Insurance Services Office Form CG 00 01 covering CGL on an "occurrence" basis, including products and completed operations, property damage, bodily injury and personal & advertising injury with limits no less than **\$2,000,000** per occurrence. If a general aggregate limit applies, either the general aggregate limit shall apply separately to this project/location (ISO CG 25 03 or 25 04) or the general aggregate limit shall be twice the required occurrence limit.
- (ii) **Automobile Liability** Insurance Services Office Form Number CA 0001 covering, Code 1 (any auto), or if Contractor has no owned autos, Code 8 (hired) and 9 (non-owned), with limit no less than **\$1,000,000** per accident for bodily injury and property damage. **(Note – required only if auto is used in performance of work, submit waiver to Risk for approval to waive this requirement)**

If the Contractor maintains broader coverage and/or higher limits than the minimums shown above, the County requires and shall be entitled to the broader coverage and/or the higher limits maintained by the contractor. Any available insurance proceeds in excess of the specified minimum limits of insurance and coverage shall be available to the County.

#### **Other Insurance Provisions:**

The insurance policies are to contain, or be endorsed to contain, the following provisions:

- (i) **Additional Insured Status: The County, its officers, employees, agents, and volunteers are to be covered as additional insureds** on the CGL policy with respect to liability arising out of the work or operations performed by or on behalf of the Contractor including materials, parts, or equipment furnished in connection with such work or operations. General liability coverage can be provided in the form of an endorsement to the Contractor's insurance (at least as broad as ISO Form CG 20 10 11 85 or both CG 20 10, CG 20 25, CG 20 33, or CG 20 38; and CG 20 37 forms if later revisions used.)
- (ii) **Primary Coverage** For any claims related to this contract, the **Contractor's insurance shall be primary** insurance primary coverage at least as broad as ISO CG 20 01 04 13 as respects the County, its officers, employees, agents, and volunteers. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the County, its officers, employees, agents, and volunteers shall be excess of the Contractor's insurance and shall not contribute with it.
- (iii) **Notice of Cancellation** This policy shall not be changed without first giving thirty (30) days prior written notice and ten (10) days prior written notice of cancellation for non-payment of premium to the County of Nevada.
- (iv) **Waiver of Subrogation** Contractor hereby grants to County a waiver of any right to subrogation which any insurer or said Contractor may acquire against the County by virtue of the payment of any loss under such insurance. Contractor agrees to obtain any endorsement that may be necessary to affect this waiver of subrogation, but this provision applies regardless of whether or not the County has received a waiver of subrogation endorsement from the insurer.

- (v) **Sole Proprietors** If Contractor is a Sole Proprietor and has no employees, they are not required to have Workers Compensation coverage. Contractor shall sign a statement attesting to this condition, and shall agree they have no rights, entitlements or claim against County for any type of employment benefits or workers' compensation or other programs afforded to County employees.
- (vi) **Deductible and Self-Insured Retentions** Deductible and Self-insured retentions must be declared to and approved by the County. The County may require the Contractor to provide proof of ability to pay losses and related investigations, claims administration, and defense expenses within the retention. The Policy language shall provide, or be endorsed to provide, that the self-insured retention may be satisfied by either the named insured or County. **(Note – all deductibles and self-insured retentions must be discussed with risk, and may be negotiated)**
- (vii) **Acceptability of Insurers:** Insurance is to be placed with insurers authorized to conduct business in the state with a current A.M. Best's rating of no less than A:VII, unless otherwise acceptable to the County.
- (viii) **Claims Made Policies** if any of the required policies provide coverage on a claims-made basis: **(note – should be applicable only to professional liability)**
  - a. The Retroactive Date must be shown and must be before the date of the contract or the beginning of contract work.
  - b. Insurance must be maintained and evidence of insurance must be provided for at least five (5) years after completion of the contract of work.
  - c. If the coverage is canceled or non-renewed, and not replaced with another **claims-made policy form with a Retroactive Date**, prior to the contract effective date, the Contractor must purchase "extended reporting" coverage for a minimum of **five (5) years** after completion of contract work.
- (ix) **Verification of Coverage** Contractor shall furnish the County with original Certificates of Insurance including all required amendatory endorsements (or copies of the applicable policy language effecting coverage required by this clause) and a copy of the Declarations and Endorsement Page of the CGL policy listing all policy endorsements to County before work begins. However, failure to obtain and provide verification of the required documents prior to the work beginning shall not waive the Contractor's obligation to provide them. The County reserves the right to require complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies, including endorsements required by these specifications, at any time.
- (x) **Subcontractors** Contractor shall require and verify that all subcontractors maintain insurance meeting all the requirements stated herein, and Contractor shall ensure that County is an additional insured on insurance required from subcontractors. For CGL coverage subcontractors shall provide coverage with a format at least as broad as CG 20 38 04 13.
- (xi) **Special Risks or Circumstances** County reserves the right to modify these requirements, including limits, based on the nature of the risk, prior experience, insurer, coverage, or other special circumstances.
- (xii) **Conformity of Coverages** If more than one policy is used to meet the required coverages, such as an umbrella policy or excess policy, such policies shall be following form with all other applicable policies used to meet these minimum requirements. For example, all policies shall be Occurrence Liability policies or all shall be Claims Made Liability policies, if approved by the County as noted above. In no cases shall the types of policies be different.
- (xiii) **Premium Payments** The insurance companies shall have no recourse against the COUNTY and funding agencies, its officers and employees or any of them for payment of any premiums or assessments under any policy issued by a mutual insurance company.

(xiv) **Material Breach** Failure of the Contractor to maintain the insurance required by this agreement, or to comply with any of the requirements of this section, shall constitute a material breach of the entire agreement.

(xv) **Certificate Holder** The Certificate Holder on insurance certificates and related documents should read as follows:

County of Nevada  
950 Maidu Ave.  
Nevada City, CA 95959

Upon initial award of a contract to your firm, you may be instructed to send the actual documents to a County contact person for preliminary compliance review.

Certificates which amend or alter the coverage during the term of the contract, including updated certificates due to policy renewal, should be sent directly to Contract Administrator.



### SUMMARY OF CONTRACT

#### **Nevada County Housing Development Corporation**

(herein "Contractor"), wherein County desires to retain a person or entity to provide the following services, materials and products generally described as follows:

**Coordinating services related to Bridges 2 Housing (B2H), Prop 47 Bridgeport House, and Permanent Supportive Housing**

### SUMMARY OF MATERIAL TERMS

**Maximum Annual Contract Price:** \$225,026

**Contract Beginning Date:** 07/01/2020 **Contract Termination Date:** 06/30/2021

**Liquidated Damages:** N/A

### INSURANCE POLICIES

Designate all required policies:

Req'd

**Commercial General Liability** (\$2,000,000) X

**Automobile Liability** (\$1,000,000) X

### LICENSES AND PREVAILING WAGES

Designate all required licenses:

N/A

### NOTICE & IDENTIFICATION

**Contractor:**

Nevada County Housing Development Corporation  
P.O. Box 5216  
Auburn, California 95604  
Contact Person: Jennifer Price  
Phone: (530) 878-5088  
E-mail: jprice@amihousing.org

**County of Nevada:**

950 Maidu Avenue  
Nevada City, California 95959

Contact Person: Suzanne McMaster

Phone: (530) 470-2418

E-mail: Suzanne.McMaster@co.nevada.ca.us

**Contractor is a:** (check all that apply)

Corporation:	<u>X</u> Calif.,	<u>    </u> Other,	<u>    </u> LLC,	<u>    </u> Non-profit
Partnership:	<u>    </u> Calif.,	<u>    </u> Other,	<u>    </u> LLP,	<u>    </u> Limited
Person:	<u>    </u> Indiv.,	<u>    </u> DbA,	<u>    </u> Ass'n	<u>    </u> Other

**EDD:** Independent Contractor Worksheet Required:      Yes X No

### ATTACHMENTS

Designate all required attachments:

Req'd

**Exhibit A: Schedule of Services** (Provided by Contractor) X

**Exhibit B: Schedule of Charges and Payments** (Paid by County) X

**Exhibit C: Insurance Requirements** (Required by Contractor) X