



**Contra
Costa
County**

To: Board of Supervisors
From: William Walker, M.D., Health Services Director
Date: December 8, 2015

Subject: Novation Contract #24-133-66 with La Cheim School, Inc.

RECOMMENDATION(S):

Approve and authorize the Health Services Director, or his designee, to execute, on behalf of the County, Novation Contract #24-133-66 with La Cheim School, Inc., a non-profit corporation, in an amount not to exceed \$2,278,692, to provide a residential day treatment program, school and community-based mental health services, and therapeutic behavioral services (TBS) for the period from July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016. This Contract includes a six-month automatic extension through December 31, 2016, in an amount not to exceed \$1,139,346.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This Contract is funded 50% Federal Financial Participation; 50% by Mental Health Realignment. (No rate increase)

BACKGROUND:

This Contract meets the social needs of County's population by providing a half-day intensive day treatment, mental health services and medication support in a residential

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **12/08/2015** ☒ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

VOTE OF SUPERVISORS

AYE: John Gioia, District I Supervisor
Candace Andersen, District II Supervisor
Mary N. Piepho, District III Supervisor
Karen Mitchoff, District IV Supervisor
Federal D. Glover, District V Supervisor

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.

ATTESTED: December 8, 2015

David Twa, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: June McHuen, Deputy

Contact: Cynthia Belon,
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BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

treatment setting for seriously emotionally disturbed (SED) youth, ages twelve through seventeen years, who are eligible for services according to the Federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) or who are wards or dependents of Contra Costa County Juvenile Court. Contractor also provides TBS to County-referred children.

On December 2, 2014 the Board of Supervisors approved Novation Contract #24-133-64 (as amended by Contract Amendment Agreement #24-133-65) with La Cheim School, Inc., for the period July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015, which included a six-month automatic extension through December 31, 2015, for the provision of residential-treatment program, school- and community-based mental health services and TBS.

Approval of Novation Contract #24-133-66, replaces the automatic extension under the prior Contract allowing the Contractor to continue providing services through June 30, 2016.

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

If this contract is not approved, there will be fewer treatment options for wards of the Contra Costa County Juvenile Court, and County's Severely Emotionally Disturbed (SED) clients in West Contra Costa County as the County solicits and engages an alternate contractor. This may result in delays in the provisions of these treatment services as required by the Federal IDEA Act.

CHILDREN'S IMPACT STATEMENT:

This program supports the following Board of Supervisors' community outcomes: "Children Ready For and Succeeding in School"; "Families that are Safe, Stable, and Nurturing"; and "Communities that are Safe and Provide a High Quality of Life for Children and Families". Expected program outcomes include an increase in positive social and emotional development as measured by the Child and Adolescent Functional Assessment Scale (CAFAS).