



Contra
Costa
County

To: Board of Supervisors
From: Anna Roth, Health Services Director
Date: December 8, 2020

Subject: Novation Contract #74-586-5 with A Better Way, Inc.

RECOMMENDATION(S):

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the Health Services Director, or designee, to execute on behalf of the County Novation Contract #74-586-5 with A Better Way, Inc., a non-profit corporation, in an amount not to exceed \$580,467 to provide mental health services to children, adolescents, and their families, who are dependents of Contra Costa County, referred by Child Family Services (CFS) and placed out of the County for the period July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021, which includes a six-month automatic extension through December 31, 2021, in an amount not to exceed \$290,234.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This contract is funded by 50% Federal Medi-Cal and 50% Employment and Human Services Department.

BACKGROUND:

On July 23, 2019, the Board of Supervisors approved Novation Contract #74-586-1, as amended by Amendment Agreements #74-586-2 through 74-586-4, with A Better Way, Inc., for the provision of mental health services to children and adolescents, and their

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY
ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD
COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **12/08/2020** ☒ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

VOTE OF SUPERVISORS

AYE: John Gioia, District I Supervisor
Candace Andersen, District II Supervisor
Diane Burgis, 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, 2020

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

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families, who are dependents of Contra Costa County, referred by CFS and placed out of County for the period from October 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020, which includes a six-month automatic extension through December 31, 2020.

BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

Approval of Novation Contract #74-586-5 will allow the Contractor to continue to provide mental health services through June 30, 2021.

Expected program outcomes include an increase in positive social and emotional development as measured by the Child and Adolescent Functional Assessment Scale (CAFAS).

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

If this contract is not approved, children and adolescents who are dependents of Contra Costa County will not have access to mental health services while placed out of County.

CHILDREN'S IMPACT STATEMENT:

This program supports the following Board of Supervisors' community outcomes: (1) Children Ready for and Succeeding in School; (4) Families that are Safe, Stable and Nurturing; and (5) Communities that are Safe and Provide a High Quality of Life for Children and Families.