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County**

To: Board of Supervisors  
From: Anna Roth, Health Services Director  
Date: January 18, 2022

Subject: Novation Contract #24-928-34 with Fred Finch Youth Center

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**RECOMMENDATION(S):**

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the Health Services Director, or designee, to execute on behalf of the County Novation Contract #24-928-34 with Fred Finch Youth Center, a non-profit corporation, in an amount not to exceed \$1,439,194, to provide school and community based mental health services to adolescent children, including Therapeutic Behavioral Services (TBS), for the period from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022, which includes a six-month automatic extension through December 31, 2022, in an amount not to exceed \$709,597.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Approval of this contract will result in budgeted expenditures of up to \$1,439,194 and will be funded by 49% Federal Medi-Cal (\$709,597), 49% Mental Health Realignment Funds (\$709,597) and 2% by Mt. Diablo Unified School District (\$20,000). (No rate increase)

**BACKGROUND:**

This contract meets the social needs of the County's population by providing school and community-based mental health services including: assessments, individual, group and family therapy, medication support, case management, outreach, TBS and crisis

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY  
ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD  
COMMITTEE

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Action of Board On: **01/18/2022** ☒ 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: January 18, 2022

Monica Nino, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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By: Antonia Welty, Deputy

intervention services for Seriously Emotionally

## BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

Disturbed (SED) middle and high school aged children and their families. Fred Finch Youth Center has been providing school-based mental health services to the county since January 1988.

On January 5, 2021, the Board of Supervisors approved Novation Contract #24-928-32, with Fred Finch Youth Center, in an amount not to exceed \$695,088, for the provision of school-based mental health services and a multi-dimensional family treatment program for SED students and their families, for the period January 1, 2021 through June 30, 2021, which included a six-month automatic extension through December 31, 2021, in an amount not to exceed \$695,088.

On July 13, 2021, the Board of Supervisors approved Contract Amendment #24-928-33 to increase the per minute billing rates due to COVID-19, with no change in the original payment limit or term.

Approval of Novation Contract #24-928-34 replaces the automatic extension under the prior contract and allows the contractor to continue providing services through June 30, 2022.

The contract renewal request was delayed due to pending approval of the new contract language, which was added to certain contracts to ascertain cohesiveness and alignment with State regulations.

## CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

If this contract is not approved, SED children within the Mt. Diablo Unified School District will not receive the school-based day treatment and mental health services that they need and may require higher and more costly levels of treatment.

## 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).