



Contra
Costa
County

To: Board of Supervisors
From: Anna Roth, Health Services Director
Date: February 28, 2023

Subject: Interagency Agreement #74-665 with City of Richmond for its Police Department

RECOMMENDATION(S):

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the Health Services Director, or designee, to execute on behalf of the County Interagency Agreement #74-665 with the City of Richmond for its Police Department, a government agency, containing mutual indemnification, in an amount not to exceed \$164,082 to provide outreach services to residents of Richmond diagnosed with a serious and persistent mental illness (SPMI) and who have a history of multiple contacts with law enforcement, attempts or acts of physical aggression during encounters with law enforcement or others, domestic violence, firearm use or possession, and/or multiple visits to Psychiatric Emergency Services (PES) for the Mental Health Evaluation Team (MHET) Program, for the period July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Approval of this contract will result in contractual service expenditures of up to \$164,082 and will be funded 100% by Assembly Bill 109 funds.

BACKGROUND:

The purpose of this Interagency Agreement is for Contra Costa County's Health Services (CCHS) to take over administration of this agreement from the County's

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **02/28/2023** ☒ 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
Ken Carlson, 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: February 28, 2023

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

By: June McHuen, Deputy

Contact: Jocelyn Stortz,
925-608-5500

BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

Probation Department. The City of Richmond and the County have formed a joint outreach program “MHET Program” which focuses on the needs of residents with SPMI by providing joint welfare checks, clinical assessments with recommendations, case management and linkage to appropriate and available community mental health services, which will result in a reduction in the number of physically aggressive and/or negative interactions between residents with SPMI and law enforcement; a reduction in the number of repeat calls for service; a reduction in the number of avoidable visits to PES; a safer, better quality of life for the resident, their family members, and the community at large; and a significant cost savings should be realized by City of Richmond and County agencies from a reduction in the time and resources spent to manage this population safely and effectively.

The prior contract was approved by the Board of Supervisors on July 13, 2021 (C.118) and administered by the County’s Probation Department for the period July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022 in an amount not to exceed \$157,771.

Under Interagency Agreement #74-665, the contractor will continue to provide outreach services for the MHET Program through June 30, 2023. This contract includes mutual indemnification to hold all parties harmless for any claims arising from the performance under this contract. This contract is retroactive due to a delay in transferring administrative responsibility between County departments.

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

If this interagency agreement is not approved, the County will not have the necessary resources for the MHET program and residents with SPMI will not receive additional outreach efforts to access mental health services.