



Legislation Text

File #: 23-2759, **Version:** 1

Department: County Administration

Department Head/Elected Official: David Berry, County Administrator

Regular or Supplemental RCA: Regular RCA

Type of Request: Contract - Amendment

Project ID (if applicable): ARPA_COMBHEALTH

Vendor/Entity Legal Name (if applicable): The Harris Center for Mental Health and IDD

MWDBE Contracted Goal (if applicable): N/A

MWDBE Current Participation (if applicable): N/A

Justification for 0% MWDBE Participation Goal: N/A - Goal not applicable to request

Request Summary (Agenda Caption):

Request by the Office of County Administration for approval of an amendment to an interlocal agreement with The Harris Center for Mental Health and IDD to update the federal award table for consistency with their budget for the Community Initiated Care program.

Background and Discussion:

The COVID-19 pandemic has exacerbated mental health impacts in Harris County, with residents experiencing elevated rates of stress, substance abuse, and suicide. Youth, Black and Hispanic residents, women, and low-income families have been particularly impacted.

The Community Initiated Care program presents a unique opportunity to strengthen community mental health and build community resilience, with a focus on zip codes experiencing high incidence of suicide. This community-based mental health project aims to leverage established social support systems to create a longstanding impact on mental health and emotional well-being within target neighborhoods. Positive social contagion behaviors, combined with existing trust and common lived experiences amongst community members will: evoke change in attitudes and beliefs related to mental health and related treatment options; equip communities with skills to allow them to intervene on issues of mental health; and build an access bridge to qualified mental health professionals.

In the original Community Initiated Care contract, the indirect cost rate was captured in the budget but not in the federal award exhibit. This amendment incorporates the indirect cost rate in the federal award exhibit as well.

Expected Impact: Consistency throughout contract.

Alternative Options:

N/A

Alignment with Goal(s):

- ☐ Justice and Safety
- ☐ Economic Opportunity
- ☐ Housing
- ☒ Public Health
- ☐ Transportation
- ☐ Flooding
- ☐ Environment
- ☐ Governance and Customer Service

Prior Court Action (if any):

Date	Agenda Item #	Action Taken
10/26/2021	8	Contract - Award

Location:

Address (if applicable):

Precinct(s): Choose an item.

Fiscal and Personnel Summary			
Service Name			
	FY 23	FY 24	Next 3 FYs
Incremental Expenditures (do NOT write values in thousands or millions)			
Labor Expenditures	\$	\$	\$
Non-Labor Expenditures	\$	\$	\$
Total Incremental Expenditures	\$	\$	\$
Funding Sources (do NOT write values in thousands or millions)			
Existing Budget			
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$
Total Current Budget	\$	\$	\$
Additional Budget Requested			
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$
Total Additional Budget Requested	\$	\$	\$

Total Funding Sources	\$	\$	\$
Personnel (Fill out section only if requesting new PCNs)			
Current Position Count for Service	-	-	-
Additional Positions Requested	-	-	-
Total Personnel	-	-	-

Anticipated Court Date: May 16, 2023

Anticipated Implementation Date (if different from Court date):

Emergency/Disaster Recovery Note: COVID-19 related item

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Attachments (if applicable): Contract Amendment