

**MEMORANDUM
PLACER COUNTY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
Adult System of Care**

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors

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DATE: June 19, 2012

SUBJECT: RFP Awards and Contracts for Substance Use Treatment and Related Services

ACTION REQUESTED:

The Board is requested to take the following actions:

1. Approve the award of a Request for Proposals (RFP) for substance use treatment, transitional housing, and educational programming services, including services related to AB109 (Public Safety Realignment) funding, and
2. Approve contracts from July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2014 with the following contractors, and authorize the Director of Health and Human Services to sign subsequent amendments up to 10% of the individual contract amounts or \$49,999, whichever is less, consistent with the current agreements' subject matter and Scope of Work:
 - a. Community Recovery Resources, in an amount not to exceed \$1,697,200;
 - b. Native Alliance of the Sierra Nevada Foothills, in an amount not to exceed \$60,000;
 - c. Pacific Educational Services, in an amount not to exceed \$130,000;
 - d. Roseville Home Start, in an amount not to exceed \$25,200;
 - e. Sierra Mental Wellness Group, in an amount not to exceed \$148,000;
 - f. Victory Outreach/Latino Leadership Council, in an amount not to exceed \$31,000.

BACKGROUND:

Substance abuse treatment leads to reduced crime and enhanced public safety as well as savings in jail bed days, health care costs, and costs associated with child welfare. Evidence-based programs were selected in order to assure that programs will result in the best possible outcomes for this target population. Evidence-based programs have been a standard in Placer County and these practices result in improved outcomes for all persons seeking substance use treatment. County-wide, more than 1,200 County residents chose local treatment in order to work on their recovery last year. In Placer County, 60 percent of all participants successfully participated in treatment and recovery, which is comparable to the statewide average.

The primary drugs of choice in treatment include opiates (including both heroin and prescription drugs), methamphetamine, and alcohol. The increase in the use of heroin and opiates is both a national and local change as various forms of opiate prescriptions have become the primary drugs of abuse. Placer County programs will continue to utilize evidence-based approaches that best meet the needs of those seeking services. The Adult System of Care provides a centralized screening and assessment process via partnership with local emergency rooms, serving 500 individuals each year, to access the right level of care to meet their needs.

Placer County contracts with substance abuse treatment providers to operate a continuum of care including: detoxification, residential and outpatient treatment, educational programming (e.g. life skills, anger management, etc.), and transitional housing services to adolescents, women with children, and adults.

Health and Human Services and the County's public safety departments are using a collaborative approach to AB109 Realignment, consistent with the Placer County Community Corrections Partnership (CCP). As a result of the recent AB109 legislation, an updated RFP was determined to be necessary.

To continue to assure quality and provide the most cost effective treatment services, this RFP was conducted for outpatient programs, transitional housing, and educational programming to effectively address the needs of persons in the criminal justice system (previously a State prison/parole responsibility) now managed and supervised locally, as well as other populations seeking treatment. The Health and Human Services (HHS) Contracts Unit sent notices and received eight proposals in response. A review panel, facilitated by HHS Contracts Unit and comprised of staff from Adult System of Care, Probation, a representative from the Alcohol and Drug Advisory Board and a representative from the County Executive's Office evaluated the proposals based on the published criteria. The proposed recommendations represent consensus by all the reviewers. The proposals were rated as follows:

**Proposers and Ranking - Outpatient, Transitional Housing, and Educational Programming
Substance Use Disorders Treatment Services RFP**

1. Community Recovery Resources - Outpatient, Transitional, & Educational Programming
2. Sierra Mental Wellness Group - Outpatient, Educational Programming
3. Pacific Educational Services - Outpatient, Educational Programming
4. Native Alliance of the Sierra Nevada Foothills - Outpatient, Educational Programming
5. Roseville Home Start - Transitional Housing
6. Latino Leadership Council/Victory Outreach - Transitional Housing
7. New Leaf Counseling Services - Outpatient
8. Re-Entry Inc. - Transitional Housing, Educational Programming

Contracts are being recommended for award herein based upon ratings in each area in which the firm proposed to provide services, including specialized services for the forensic population such as educational programming, transitional housing, and outpatient services, use of evidence-based treatment, and ability to address needs for people with both substance abuse and mental health issues. The modalities awarded to each of these proposers is detailed in the following table. In addition to contract awards recommended as a result of this RFP, continuing services resulting from an RFP conducted last year for residential services are incorporated into the contract with Community Recovery Resources.

**Contracts for Residential and Outclient Substance Use Disorders,
Detox, Transitional Housing, Educational Programming and Other Treatment Services**

Provider	Modalities Awarded	FY 2012-14 Total Award Amount
Community Recovery Resources	Residential, Outclient, Perinatal Detox, Transitional Housing, Tahoe Services	\$1,697,200
Native Alliance of the Sierra Nevada Foothills	Residential, Outclient, Educational Programming	\$60,000
Latino Leadership Council/Victory Outreach	Transitional Housing	\$31,000
Sierra Mental Wellness Group	Outclient, Educational Programming	\$148,000
Roseville Home Start	Transitional Housing	\$25,200
Pacific Educational Services	Outpatient, Educational Programming	\$130,000
Total		\$2,091,400

These contracts were reviewed and recommended for approval by the Mental Health, Alcohol, and Drug Advisory Board at its regular meeting on May 21, 2012.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The aggregate two-year amount for these six contracts is \$2,091,400. Funding is comprised of \$1,915,665 (91.6%) from Federal and State sources, and required County General Funds of \$175,735 (8.4%). Of these amounts, half is included in the Department's FY 2012-13 Proposed Budget and the remainder will be included in the Department's FY 2013-14 Requested Budget.

These contracts are on file with the Clerk of the Board for review.

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