

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

**TO:** Honorable Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Richard J. Burton, M.D., M.P.H.  
Placer County Health Officer and Director of Health & Human Services  
Maureen F. Bauman, Director of Adult System of Care

**DATE:** May 27, 2008

**SUBJECT:** Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) Delegate Agency Funding Recommendations

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**ACTION REQUESTED:**

Based on the recommendations of the Placer County Community Services Commission, Health and Human Services is requesting that your Board take the following actions:

- a. Accept the recommendations of the Commission for amending grant funds to provide continued services and expand services for homeless as follows:
    1. Amend agreement CN005286 with Salvation Army in the amount of \$20,000 for a revised total of \$50,000, and
    2. Amend agreement CN005292 with The Gathering Inn in the amount of \$10,957 for a revised total of \$34,509
  - b. Authorize the Director of Health and Human Services to sign the above amendments and future amendments.
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**BACKGROUND:**

The Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) is federal funding that is intended to provide a broad array of services to low-income Americans. The Community Services Commission is mandated to advise your Board and recommend the proposed uses of these funds.

Last June, your Board approved the recommended 2008-09 Community Action Plan which defined the community priorities for this funding. Following a competitive process, this Board then adopted the recommended awards to five organizations including Sierra Senior Services, Seniors First, Tahoe Women's Services, The Salvation Army, and The Gathering Inn. Initially, Placer received State funding in the amount of \$173,556. The State has now awarded additional federal funding of \$69,498, and the Community Services Commission has presented its recommendations for distribution of these funds in this Board action.

The recommendation is to increase the agreement with The Salvation Army by \$20,000 and The Gathering Inn by \$10,957. At the time of the initial award these grant requests were not fully funded. These organizations will continue to offer meals/support to seniors, housing opportunities for men, women and children who are homeless, and other supportive services. Last year, these agencies served 6,976 individuals and with the increase in funds it is expected that they will serve 9,766 Placer citizens.

The Commission has also recommended that the balance of additional block grant funding (\$38,541) be utilized for two, one-day counts of all homeless persons, a survey that would provide more accurate data about the homeless population, and additional grant research that will provide improvements in service delivery and increase grant proposal competitiveness when applying for funding, such as the \$300,000 HUD grant currently received by the Adult System of Care. In addition, the Commission has proposed holding some of the increased block grant funding to augment emergency shelter services, if needed, during times of extreme heat or cold, as well as fund additional oversight of the awardees of this grant, Community Services Commission activities, and staff support to the Commission.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

These contract amendments totaling \$30,957 are fully funded by additional federal Community Services Block Grant funds for calendar year 2008. No County General Fund contribution is required.

The following documents:

**Amended Agreements for:**

- 1. Salvation Army**
- 2. Gathering Inn**

are on file with Clerk of the Board

for BOS meeting:

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