

MEMORANDUM
PLACER COUNTY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
Children's System of Care

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors

FROM: Richard J. Burton, M.D., M.P.H.,
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Richard S. Knecht, Director, Children's System of Care

DATE: July 9, 2013

SUBJECT: Mental Health Service Act (MHSA) Contracts for FY 2013-14

ACTION REQUESTED:

1. Approve the following Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) contracts from July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014 in the amount of \$953,638 (no net County cost), and authorize the Director of Health and Human Services to sign subsequent amendments up to 10 percent of the original contract amounts consistent with the current agreements' subject matter and scope of work:
 - a. **KidsFirst, Inc.**, to provide parenting classes and a bilingual therapist for perinatal and maternal depression services, in an amount not to exceed \$231,942,
 - b. **Latino Leadership Council, Inc.**, to provide parenting classes, family counseling, prevention and support activities for monolingual Latino adults and youth impacted by academic and/or gang-related risks in an amount not to exceed \$196,021,
 - c. **Lighthouse Counseling and Family Resource Center** to provide social skills training at elementary and middle schools and conduct parent support groups in an amount not to exceed \$51,975,
 - d. **Crisis Intervention Services dba Tahoe SAFE Alliance** to provide a youth LifeSkills training program in an amount not to exceed \$83,900,
 - e. **Tahoe Truckee Community Foundation** to provide award and oversight of mental health mini-grants to further build innovative mental health prevention programs in the Tahoe area, in an amount not to exceed \$105,800, and,
 - f. **Placer Community Foundation** to provide award and oversight of mental health mini-grants to further build innovative mental health prevention programs, in an amount not to exceed \$284,000.

BACKGROUND:

In 2004, California voters passed Proposition 63, the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) establishing a county and community partnership to provide mental health services to those challenged with serious mental health issues and address the mental health needs of underserved populations. From its first implementation in 2006, MHSA has effectively delivered community supports and intensive crisis services, housing and ongoing supports to the seriously mentally ill, and a host of well researched, evidenced based prevention and early intervention programs, all without County local dollars.

Placer County's System of Care continues to utilize these state funds to build upon the County's nationally known blended services model to develop services through a shared partnership with community non-profit and private partners.

Among the most celebrated MHSA programs are the "mini-grants", administered by our two community foundations to provide innovative, community-based supports. Last year more than 35 non-profit and faith based organizations were supported via these competitively awarded grants. Thousands of people in Placer County each year get help for their challenges through their natural networks of family, friends, faith groups, clubs or community groups, and are, therefore, not requiring County services. These mini grants further build the community's capacity to meet these demands in the most accessible and de-stigmatizing manner, last year, reaching nearly 10,000 residents.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Of the \$953,638 in expenditures in this request, \$573,638 are included in the Department's FY 2013-14 Proposed Budget and the remaining \$380,000 will be requested the Department's FY 2013-14 Final Budget Adjustments. These services are fully funded by State funds and no County General Funds are required.

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