



SAN BENITO COUNTY AGENDA ITEM TRANSMITTAL FORM

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Item Number: 2.3

MEETING DATE: 09/27/2022

DEPARTMENT: BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

AGENDA ITEM PREPARER: Juan Gutierrez

DEPT HEAD/DIRECTOR: Ray Espinosa

SUBJECT:

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH - R. ESPINOSA

Approve Grant Agreement with Mental Health Services Oversight & Accountability Commission (MHSOAC) for the Mental Health Student Services Act (MHSSA) beginning on the last date of signature and terminating on December 31, 2026 for a total grant amount of \$2,500,000.00 and approve the recommended budget adjustment/transfer.

SBC FILE NUMBER: 810

AGENDA SECTION:

CONSENT AGENDA

BACKGROUND/SUMMARY:

San Benito County Behavioral Health Department (SBCBH) has staff stationed at local schools to provide prevention services on-site. The department has also contracted with a local community-based organization, Community Solutions, to provide prevention services to additional schools in the county including the rural schools. With services provided through the school districts, and services provided through Behavioral Health, having a consistent referral process between all school locations has been difficult to achieve.

This grant program will enable SBCBH to enhance our partnership with the San Benito County Office of Education (SBCOE) to improve our school-based programs. This partnership, via the grant, will expand access to mental health services for children and youth, including campus-based mental health services; and, should facilitate linkages and access to ongoing and sustained services. Through this grant, there will be an emphasis on targeted populations consistent with Welfare Institutions Code, Section 5886. This population includes those children and youth who are in foster care; those who identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, or queer (LGBTQ); and those who have been expelled or suspended from school. Funding of this grant will allow for a dedicated SBCOE staff who will review current practices

and establish a uniformed method of referrals and evaluate the need of services at the schools.

Approval of the recommended actions will allow the Department Director or designee to sign related reports, forms, and act as a representative of the County. Approval of this item will also allow for a budget adjustment/transfer to receive this funding as revenue and allocate anticipated expenditures to this funding.

RESOLUTION OR ORDINANCE NEEDED FOR THIS ITEM:

No

CONTRACT NEEDED FOR THIS ITEM:

Yes

CONTRACT AND RFP HISTORY:

There is no previous contract for this MHSOAC grant. This item did not go to RFP as this is a grant that is encouraged by the MHSOAC.

LAST CONTRACT AMOUNT OR N/A:

N/A

STATE IF THIS IS A NEW CONTRACT/ HOW MANY PAST AMENDED CONTRACTS/ OR N/A:

N/A

STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS: 1. Operational Development & Excellence

No

STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS: 2. Planning And Sustainable Growth

No

STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS: 3. Technology

No

STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS: 4. Community Engagement

Yes

STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS: 5. Health & Safe Community

Yes

BUDGETED:

Yes

BUDGET ADJUSTMENT NEEDED:

Yes

SOURCE OF FUNDING:

Non-general Fund

UNFUNDED MANDATE:

No

SBC BUDGET LINE ITEM NUMBER:

228.90.2520.1000.570.002

CURRENT FY COST:

0.00

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

1. Approve Grant Agreement with Mental Health Services Oversight & Accountability Commission (MHSOAC) for the Mental Health Student Services Act (MHSSA) beginning on the last date of signature and terminating on December 31, 2026 for a total grant amount of \$2,500,000.
2. Authorize the CAO to sign said Participation Agreement
3. Allow the Department Director or designee to sign related reports and forms without modifying the maximum compensation, and act as a representative of the County.
4. Approve the budget adjustment/transfer, as specified on the attached form, to receive previously unanticipated revenue and allow the department to fund programing with this revenue

ATTACHMENTS:

[22-26 MHSSA Grant Agreement](#)

[22-26 MHSS Grant Application](#)

[BH Budget Adjustment MHSSA Grant](#)