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**Agenda Item
Regular Meeting of the
Board of Supervisors
Tuesday, June 23, 2026**

Item Number: 1.21

MEETING DATE: 06/23/2026

DEPARTMENT: HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY

AGENDA ITEM PREPARER: Mike Hodges

DEPT HEAD/DIRECTOR: Tracey Belton

SUBJECT:

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY - T BELTON

1. Approve Amendment #3 with Community Homeless Solution (CHS), operator of the Housing Opportunities, Meals, Empowerment (HOME) Resource Center Homeless Shelter, for an additional amount of \$545,635.09, extending the term through June 30, 2027, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$2,205,100.30; and

2. Authorize the Chair, County Executive Officer, or designee to sign the agreement.

SBC FILE NUMBER: 939

AGENDA SECTION:

CONSENT AGENDA

BACKGROUND/SUMMARY:

The San Benito County Housing, Opportunity, Meals, and Empowerment (HOME) Resource Center helps address homelessness in our community by providing a safe place for people experiencing homelessness to stay while they work toward stable housing. A key focus of the program is helping people move from encampments and other places not meant for human habitation, including areas along the San Benito River, into a safe and supportive environment where they can access services and resources.

The HOME Resource Center opened in December 2017 and has operated year-round since that time. The shelter originally had 50 beds. After the construction of transitional housing units behind the shelter,

capacity was reduced to 44 beds. This fiscal year, the number of beds increased to 56 (34 for men and 22 for women in separate sleeping areas). The increase was made in response to the Board of Supervisors' direction to help transition individuals living along the river into shelter. The shelter currently serves an average of 48 to 52 people each night.

Shelter guests receive meals, access to showers and laundry facilities, transportation assistance, security services, housing assistance, and individualized case management. These services are designed to help people move into permanent housing and improve their long-term stability.

Since the shelter opened, it has been operated by Community Homeless Solutions (CHS), a nonprofit organization selected through a competitive process. CHS has been serving individuals and families experiencing homelessness since 1978 and provides a variety of housing and support programs throughout Monterey, San Benito, and Santa Cruz Counties. Their services include emergency shelters, transitional housing, permanent supportive housing, domestic violence shelters, and programs for youth experiencing homelessness. In March 2023, the County released a Request for Proposals (RFP) seeking an organization to continue operating the HOME Resource Center. CHS was the only organization to submit a proposal and provided a comprehensive plan for continued operations.

The shelter is funded primarily through grants secured by the County, along with past support from the City of Hollister. Due to funding limitations, the projected revenue for Fiscal Year 2026-2027 is not sufficient to operate the shelter 24 hours a day, seven days a week throughout the year.

As a result, the shelter's operating hours will be modified. Beginning in Fiscal Year 2026-2027, the shelter will continue operating year-round but will be open from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m. each day. The shelter will be closed during daytime hours. County staff will continue seeking additional funding to restore full 24/7 operations and maintain supportive services, case management, and rapid rehousing assistance that help individuals move into stable, long-term housing.

Based on CHS's experience, organizational capacity, and successful management of the HOME Resource Center over the past 8 years, staff recommends approval of this contract Amendment with Community Homeless Solutions to continue operating and managing the shelter.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The Contract History with CHS in the operations of the HOME Shelter are:

-11/2017-11/2018: \$615,710

-11/30/18-6/30/21: \$635,710 for a (\$20,000 for the beautification project)

-7/1/21-9/30/21: \$50,000

-9/30/21-6/30/2022: Amendment #1 to extend the term and increase the amount to \$500,000

-7/1/22-6/30/23: \$500,000

-7/1/23-6/2026: \$1,500,000

The county General Ledger account managing this program are 221.80.2285 and 240.80.2555.

Funding for this amendment will be supported in whole by the Homeless Housing Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) Round-6 state grant.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

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ATTACHMENTS:

[Agenda Fact Sheet -Community Homeless Solution Amendment #3](#)
[CHS HRC Amendment 3r 5936](#)