

**REPORT/RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF THE COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO
AND RECORD OF ACTION**

June 22, 2021

FROM

GILBERT RAMOS, Director, Transitional Assistance Department

SUBJECT

Amended Allocation Agreement from the California Department of Health Care Services for the Medi-Cal Health Enrollment Navigators Project

RECOMMENDATION(S)

1. Accept and approve amended allocation agreement, **Amendment No. 1 to Contract No. 20-55**, effective June 22, 2021, from the California Department of Health Care Services for the Medi-Cal Health Enrollment Navigators Project to provide outreach and enrollment services, extending the agreement and increasing the amount by \$643,463, from \$650,000 to \$1,293,463, for a total agreement period of January 1, 2020 through March 31, 2022.
2. Designate the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, Chief Executive Officer, or Director of the Transitional Assistance Department to execute and submit any subsequent non-substantive amendments to the allocation agreement on behalf of the County, subject to review by County Counsel.
3. Direct the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, Chief Executive Officer, or Director of the Transitional Assistance Department to execute and submit all non-substantive amendments in relation to the allocation agreement to the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors within 30 days of execution.

(Presenter: Gilbert Ramos, Director, 388-0245)

COUNTY AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER GOALS & OBJECTIVES

**Provide for the Safety, Health and Social Service Needs of County Residents.
Pursue County Goals and Objectives by Working with Other Agencies.**

FINANCIAL IMPACT

This item does not impact Discretionary General Funding (Net County Cost). The increase to the allocation in the amount of \$643,463 from the California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) for the Medi-Cal Health Enrollment Navigators Project is 100% State funding and does not require a local match. Adequate appropriation and revenue have been included in the Human Services Administrative Claim 2020-21 budget and will be included in the recommended 2021-22 budget.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Medi-Cal Health Enrollment Navigators Project, authorized under Assembly Bill 74, provides uninsured San Bernardino County residents the opportunity to gain access to healthcare coverage. The amended allocation agreement from DHCS increases and extends the project to allow the Transitional Assistance Department (TAD) to continue to provide Medi-Cal Health Enrollment Navigators Project services through March 31, 2022. Medi-Cal Health

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Enrollment Navigators funding is utilized for the enrollment and retention for an estimated 4,320 individuals with a focus on the following target populations: aged persons; persons who are homeless; immigrants and families with mixed immigration status; persons with limited English proficiency; young people of color; low age workers and their families or dependents; uninsured children and youth formerly enrolled in Medi-Cal; and persons who are in county jail, state prison, on state parole on county probation; or under post release community supervision.

TAD is mandated and responsible to administer public assistance programs for eligible San Bernardino County residents in need of financial, nutritional and/or medical assistance, which includes Medi-Cal navigation services. Medi-Cal Health Enrollment Navigators Project funding is utilized to expand current navigation efforts in order to increase Medi-Cal enrollment and program retention rates within the target populations.

On January 28, 2020 (Item No. 53), the Board of Supervisors approved the allocation agreement from DHCS for the Medi-Cal Health Enrollment Navigators Project to provide outreach and enrollment services, in the amount of \$650,000, for the period of January 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.

On May 7, 2021, TAD received the amended allocation agreement from DHCS increasing the allocation amount by \$643,463, from \$650,000 to \$1,293,463, and extending the agreement through March 31, 2022. In addition to the acceptance of the amended allocation agreement for the Medi-Cal Health Enrollment Navigators Project, TAD is requesting approval for the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, Chief Executive Officer, or TAD Director to execute any subsequent non-substantive amendments to the amended allocation agreement, on behalf of the County, subject to review by County Counsel.

PROCUREMENT

N/A

REVIEW BY OTHERS

This item has been reviewed by County Counsel (Adam Ebright, Deputy County Counsel, 387-5455) on June 7, 2021; Finance (John Hallen, Administrative Analyst, 388-0208) on May 25, 2021; and County Finance and Administration (Tanya Bratton, Deputy Executive Officer, 388-0332) on June 2, 2021.

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Record of Action of the Board of Supervisors
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APPROVED (CONSENT CALENDAR)

Moved: Joe Baca, Jr. Seconded: Dawn Rowe
Ayes: Col. Paul Cook (Ret.), Janice Rutherford, Dawn Rowe, Curt Hagman, Joe Baca, Jr.

Lynna Monell, CLERK OF THE BOARD

BY 
DATED: June 22, 2021



cc: TAD- Maldonado w/agree for sign
Contractor- C/O TAD w/agree
File- w/agree
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