

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

April 9, 2024

FROM

SHARON NEVINS, Director, Department of Aging and Adult Services

SUBJECT

Revenue Contracts for the Age Wise Program for Technical Assistance

RECOMMENDATION(S)

Approve revenue contracts to provide Age Wise Program Technical Assistance to the following agencies, for the total contract period of May 1, 2024 through June 30, 2026:

1. County of Monterey, in the amount of \$200,000, **Contract No. 24-300.**
2. Korean Community Services, in the amount of \$169,756, **Contract No. 24-301.**

(Presenter: Sharon Nevins, Director, 891-3917)

COUNTY AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER GOALS & OBJECTIVES

Promote the Countywide Vision.

Pursue County Goals and Objectives by Working with Other Agencies and Stakeholders.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Approval of this item will not result in the use of Discretionary General Funding (Net County Cost). The Department of Aging and Adult Services-Public Guardian (DAAS-PG) will receive \$369,756 in total revenue for providing Age Wise Program Technical Assistance to the County of Monterey and Korean Community Services. The revenue from the Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission (MHSOAC) will fully reimburse DAAS-PG for the cost of services provided to these agencies. Adequate appropriation and revenue have been included in DAAS-PG 2023-24 recommended budget and will be included in future recommended budgets.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

In 2004, Proposition 63 was passed in California, which led to the creation of the MHSOAC to oversee the state of California's mental health system. The MHSOAC is responsible for oversight of the implementation of the Mental Health Services Act in California. One initiative is to distribute funds for innovative projects that launch new approaches to administration and treatment in mental health.

Due to the notoriety and success of the County's Age Wise Program, the MHSOAC requested DAAS-PG to serve as a consultant to other agencies to replicate the Age Wise Program in their respective areas. Using a competitive process, MHSOAC awarded \$3,697,563 in grant funding to two agencies, the County of Monterey and Korean Community Services, with a provision in the grant award to contract with the County's DAAS-PG in exchange for 10% of their grant award to provide technical assistance to the grantees for implementation of the program.

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The Age Wise Program is a non-traditional mental health program developed by DAAS-PG in conjunction with the Department of Behavioral Health for the high-risk and underserved older adult population. The goal of the Age Wise Program is to help older adults maintain the best possible behavioral and physical health in order to increase their ability to sustain independent living and well-being. Services are provided throughout the County to older adults age 59 and older who would benefit from behavioral health and wellness services and who may be seeking assistance connecting to resources to help meet basic needs. Services include in-home behavioral health and case management services, peer and family advocacy, and support and education groups provided in the community.

Under these recommended contracts, DAAS-PG will provide technical assistance with existing staff to both grantee agencies. Technical assistance includes providing consultation and training of the program, conducting virtual meetings, supplying manuals and brochures, and conducting site visits.

PROCUREMENT

Not applicable.

REVIEW BY OTHERS

This item has been reviewed by Human Services Contracts (Patty Steven, Contracts Manager, 388-0241) on March 22, 2024; Risk Management (Victor Tordesillas, Deputy Executive Officer, 386-8621) on March 22, 2024; County Counsel (Jacqueline Carey-Wilson, Deputy County Counsel, 387-5455) on March 24, 2024; Finance (John Hallen, Administrative Analyst, 388-0208) on March 25, 2024; and County Finance and Administration (Cheryl Adams, Deputy Executive Officer, 388-0238) on March 25, 2024.

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

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

Lynna Monell, CLERK OF THE BOARD

BY 
DATED: April 9, 2024



cc: DAAS - West w/agree for sign
Contractor - c/o DAAS w/agree
File - w/agree

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