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

**September 26, 2023** 

#### **FROM**

**GEORGINA YOSHIOKA**, Director, Department of Behavioral Health

#### **SUBJECT**

Amendment to Contract with Lighthouse Social Service Centers for Family Stabilization Rapid Re-Housing Services

#### RECOMMENDATION(S)

Approve **Amendment No. 3 to Contract No. 19-326** with Lighthouse Social Service Centers for the provision of Family Stabilization Rapid Re-Housing services, increasing the amount by \$2,045,554, from \$8,693,606 to \$10,739,160, and exercising the last option to extend the contract an additional year, for the total contract period of July 1, 2019 through September 30, 2024.

(Presenter: Georgina Yoshioka, Director, 252-5142)

### COUNTY AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER GOALS & OBJECTIVES

**Promote the Countywide Vision.** 

Provide for the Safety, Health and Social Service Needs of County Residents.

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

#### **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

This item does not impact Discretionary General Funding (Net County Cost). The increase for Family Stabilization Rapid Re-Housing services in the amount of \$2,045,554 is funded by the California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) Family Stabilization (FS) Rapid Re-Housing allocation through a Memorandum of Understanding between the Department of Behavioral Health (DBH) and the Transitional Assistance Department (TAD). Adequate appropriation and revenue are included in DBH's 2023-24 budget and will be included in the 2024-25 recommended budget.

#### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

DBH is responsible for providing mental health and substance use disorder (SUD) services to San Bernardino County residents experiencing severe mental illness and/or SUD. As a part of the DBH system of care, Lighthouse Social Service Centers (LSSC) provides FS Rapid Re-Housing services throughout the county, assisting clients in locating and securing housing as quickly as possible. Services include "Bridge Housing" (temporary, short-term housing), housing search and placement, financial and rental assistance, housing stability case management, mediation services, and referrals to legal and credit repair services. As part of these case management services, once clients have stable living environments, LSSC assists clients in focusing on other areas in order to remove barriers to participate in Welfare-To-Work (WTW) activities.

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California Assembly Bill 74, passed in 2013, includes a provision for funding FS services to CalWORKs clients who have encountered a situation or crisis that impedes their ability to participate in WTW activities. Services are provided to clients who are identified by TAD as eligible for CalWORKs FS services and then identified by DBH staff as needing Rapid Re-Housing services due to domestic violence, and/or are homeless or at imminent risk of homelessness.

During the past fiscal year LSSC provided services to approximately 111 families and the need for these services continues to increase. The recommended amendment to the contract will extend the contract for another year and allow LSSC to provide an additional 32,608 FS Rapid Re-Housing service hours at the same rate of approximately \$62.73 per service hour.

#### **PROCUREMENT**

On May 21, 2019 (Item No. 29), as a result of a formal procurement, the Board of Supervisors (Board) approved Contract No. 19-326 with LSSC to provide countywide FS Rapid Re-Housing services, in the amount of \$5,148,052, for the period of July 1, 2019 through September 30, 2022, with two one-year extension options.

On February 11, 2020 (Item No. 22), the Board approved Amendment No. 1 to Contract No. 19-326 with LSSC increasing the number of service hours, and increasing the contract amount by \$1,500,000, from \$5,148,052 to \$6,648,052, with no change to the contract period of July 1, 2019 through September 30, 2022.

On September 27, 2022 (Item No. 20), the Board approved Amendment No. 2 to Contract No. 19-326 with LSSC updating standard contract language and increasing the contract amount by \$2,045,554, from \$6,648,052 to \$8,693,606, and extending the contract an additional year, for the total contract period of July 1, 2019 through September 30, 2023.

DBH will continue to monitor LSSC's performance on a regular basis to ensure performance and compliance standards are met. Contractor invoices will be reviewed and approved by DBH program staff to ensure costs claimed are reasonable and allowable prior to being forwarded to DBH fiscal staff for payment. DBH fiscal staff will verify signatures and total cost prior to issuing payment.

### **REVIEW BY OTHERS**

This item has been reviewed by Behavioral Health Contracts (Ellayna Hoatson, Contracts Supervisor, 388-0858) on August 10, 2023; County Counsel (Dawn Martin, Deputy County Counsel, 387-5455) on August 22, 2023; Finance (Christopher Lange, Administrative Analyst, 386-8393) on September 6, 2023; and County Finance and Administration (Cheryl Adams, Deputy Executive Officer, 388-0238) September 11, 2023.

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## APPROVED (CONSENT CALENDAR)

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

Lynna Monell, CLERK OF THE BOARD

DATED: September 26, 2023



cc: DBH - Barajas w/agree

Contractor - c/o DBH w/agree

File - w/agree

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