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

May 20, 2025

FROM

GEORGINA YOSHIOKA, Director, Department of Behavioral Health

SUBJECT

Amendment to Contract with Riverside – San Bernardino County Indian Health, Inc. for Native American Resource Center Services

RECOMMENDATION(S)

Approve **Amendment No. 1 to Contract No. 20-321** with Riverside – San Bernardino County Indian Health, Inc., for the provision of Native American Resource Center program services, increasing the total contract amount by \$500,000, from \$2,500,000 to \$3,000,000, and extending the contract by an additional year, for the total contract period of July 1, 2020, through June 30, 2026.

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

COUNTY AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER GOALS & OBJECTIVES

Operate in a Fiscally-Responsible and Business-Like Manner.

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

FINANCIAL IMPACT

This item does not impact Discretionary General Funding (Net County Cost). The increase of \$500,000 to Contract No. 20-321 (Contract) is funded by Mental Health Services Act funds (MHSA) revenue. Adequate appropriation and revenue will be included in the Department of Behavioral Health's (DBH) 2025-26 recommended budget.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

DBH is responsible for providing mental health and Substance Use Disorder (SUD) services to county residents experiencing severe mental illness and/or SUD. An integral part of the service delivery system consists of County-operated and contracted service providers delivering a variety of mental health treatment services. Riverside – San Bernardino County Indian Health, Inc. (RSBCIH) provides Native American Resource Center (NARC) program services to address the mental health needs of the Native American population residing in the county.

NARC services and resources include mental health treatment, support groups, outreach and education, and activities specifically aimed at reducing stigma and discrimination associated with mental illness and related assistance. NARC program serves the needs of all age groups and targets communities with high numbers of Native American residents. Since 2010, RSBCIH has provided NARC program services to county residents through a contract with DBH.

RSBCIH is the only provider to facilitate these services successfully by identifying the stressors and needs of the Native-American population whilst incorporating culturally appropriate

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philosophies and traditions. Approval of Amendment No. 1 to the Contract will allow RSBCIH to continue providing NARC services as they are the sole agency that has established trust within the local culturally specific community.

On June 2, 2020 (Item No. 14), the Board of Supervisors approved the Contract with RSBCIH for NARC program services to provide an extensive array of behavioral health resources to address the identified behavioral health needs and stressors of Native-American communities by providing prevention and early intervention services within the community, in natural, culturally appropriate settings, in the amount of \$2,500,000, for the period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2025.

In 2023-24, NARC provided services to over 3,000 individuals in various regions of the county. The Amendment No. 1 to the Contract will allow services to continue for an additional year and serve approximately 1,750 clients at an estimated cost of \$285 per client. Contractor performance will be monitored by DBH on a regular basis to ensure compliance standards are met.

PROCUREMENT

N/A

REVIEW BY OTHERS

This item has been reviewed by Behavioral Health Contracts (Michael Shin, Administrative Manager, 383-8099) on April 17, 2025; County Counsel (Dawn Martin, Deputy County Counsel, 387-5455) on April 29, 2025; Purchasing (Jessica Barajas, Supervising Buyer, 387-2065) on May 5, 2025; Finance (Paul Garcia, Administrative Analyst, 386-8392) on May 6, 2025; and County Finance and Administration (Cheryl Adams, Deputy Executive Officer, 388-0332) on May 5, 2025.

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Record of Action of the Board of Supervisors San Bernardino County

APPROVED (CONSENT CALENDAR)

Moved: Joe Baca, Jr. Seconded: Curt Hagman

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

Absent: Jesse Armendarez

Lynna Monell, CLERK OF THE BOARD

DATED: May 20, 2025



cc: DBH - Alfaro w/agree

Contractor - c/o DBH w/agree

File - w/agree

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