



San Bernardino County

Legislation Text

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

May 4, 2021

FROM

ANDREW GOLDFRACH, Interim Director, Department of Public Health

SUBJECT

Amendment to Contract with El Sol Neighborhood Educational Center for COVID-19 Health Promotion and Outreach Campaign Services

RECOMMENDATION(S)

Approve Amendment No. 1, effective May 4, 2021, to Contract No. 20-1099 with El Sol Neighborhood Educational Center for continued provision of COVID-19 related health promotion and outreach campaign services, exercising the first one-year option to extend, with no change to the contract amount of \$685,438, for the total contract period of November 17, 2020 through May 16, 2022.

(Presenter: Andrew Goldfrach, Interim Director, 387-9146)

COUNTY AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER GOALS & OBJECTIVES

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 total contract amount will not exceed \$685,438 and is eligible for reimbursement through the Federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act in the amount of \$228,479, and Paycheck Protection Program and Health Care Enhancement Act of 2020 (ELC Enhancing Detection) in the amount of \$456,959. Adequate appropriation and revenue have been included in the Department of Public Health's (DPH) 2020-21 budget and will be included the 2021-22 recommended budget.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

El Sol Neighborhood Educational Center (El Sol) provides a culturally and linguistically appropriate community-specific health promotion and outreach campaign for COVID-19 through health education, distribution of educational material, door-to-door health education, emotional and social support, and test site referrals utilizing their established Community Health Worker/Promotores de Salud model. The contract with El Sol funds promotions, expenses, and activities directly related to COVID-19 education, social support, and community outreach.

The recommended amendment to the contract will allow DPH to continue its partnership with El Sol to support community-specific health promotions, including educational material, perform community outreach campaigns, and connect community members to resources needed to reduce COVID-19 positivity rates. The program will continue to concentrate on the underserved populations, particularly those in San Bernardino

County's high-priority testing areas who are disproportionately impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic based on the California Healthy Places Index.

PROCUREMENT

On November 17, 2020 (Item No. 57), the Board of Supervisors approved non-competitive Contract No. 20-1099 with El Sol for COVID-19 health promotion and outreach campaign services, in the amount of \$685,438, for the period of November 17, 2020 through May 16, 2021, with two one-year options to extend by mutual agreement of the parties. El Sol provides a culturally and linguistically appropriate community-specific health promotion and outreach campaign for COVID-19 through health education, distribution of educational material, door-to-door health education, emotional and social support, and test site referrals utilizing their established Community Health Worker/Promotores de Salud model. The contract with El Sol funds promotions, expenses, and activities directly related to COVID-19 education, social support, and community outreach. The Purchasing Department concurred with the non-competitive contract with El Sol due to the COVID-19 pandemic and resulting local health emergency.

REVIEW BY OTHERS

This item has been reviewed by Human Services Contracts (Jennifer Mulhall-Daudel, Contracts Manager, 388-0241) on April 19, 2021; County Counsel (Adam Ebright, Deputy County Counsel, 387-5455) on April 19, 2021; Finance (Paul Garcia, Administrative Analyst, 386-8392) on April 15, 2021; and County Finance and Administration (Tanya Bratton, Deputy Executive Officer, 388-0332) on April 15, 2021.