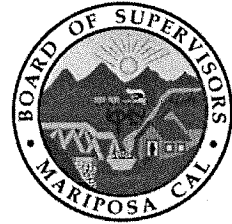


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RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2015-298

MEETING: June 23, 2015

TO: The Board of Supervisors

FROM: Chevon Kothari, Human Services Director

RE: Request Approval of MOU to Provide Behavioral Health Services to Yosemite National Park

RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:

Approve a Five-Year Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with U.S. Department of the Interior, National Park Service Yosemite National Park and the County of Mariposa to Provide Behavioral Health Services to Yosemite National Park at the Yosemite Medical Clinic, and Authorize the Board of Supervisors Chair to Sign the MOU.

There are geographically isolated communities in the County where distance and transportation are barriers to access any level of mental health services. Without readily available services, mild or moderate mental health issues can escalate into major issues. Providing mental health services to these communities required an expansion of the Mariposa County Behavioral Health and Recovery Services (BHRS) Mental Health Plan services policy in order to serve non Medi-Cal insured clients. With the update to the Client Service Policy approved by the Board on June 9, 2015, BHRS is now authorized to provide behavioral health services within Yosemite National Park.

The attached MOU has been crafted between Mariposa Human Services - BHRS and Yosemite National Park to provide behavioral health services as described.

The Yosemite National Park is making space available in their Yosemite Medical Clinic to provide these services as well as providing limited clerical/receptionist assistance. Behavioral Health services to clients will be provided through a Professional Services Agreement between the County and an outside vendor, while administrative overhead of this program will be provided county staff and be offset by State and Federal sources.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

June 9, 2015, the Board of Supervisors approved Amendment of Behavioral Health and Recovery Services Client Services Policy (6.17); Resolution 2015-273

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

Failing to enact an MOU with Yosemite National Park would make access to services to

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the residents of this area of our County much more difficult.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

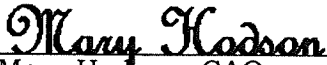
There is no exchange of funding between the County and the U.S. Department of the Interior or Yosemite National Park.

ATTACHMENTS:

General Agreement_ (PDF)

CAO RECOMMENDATION

Requested Action Recommended



Mary Hoeson, CAO 6/18/2015

RESULT: ADOPTED BY CONSENT VOTE [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Marshall Long, District III Supervisor

SECONDER: Rosemarie Smallcombe, District I Supervisor

AYES: Smallcombe, Jones, Long, Cann, Carrier