RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2015-367

MEETING: July 21, 2015

TO: The Board of Supervisors

FROM: Chevon Kothari, Human Services Director

RE: Changing Echoes Agreement to Provide Residential Care for Substance Abuse Clients

RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:
Approve an Agreement with Changing Echoes to provide residential recovery services for substance abuse clients referred by Mariposa County Behavioral Health in an amount not to exceed of $40,500, and authorize the Board of Supervisors Chair to sign the Agreement.

Mariposa County does not operate residential recovery facilities and therefore contracts for such services. There is a need for residential treatment for those individuals who desire help but cannot stay clean and sober through other means of support, such as utilization of groups offered in the recovery community, traditional counseling services, and Heritage House. The Drug Court Enhancement Project grant provides $12,500 towards residential treatment at this facility. Additionally, the Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment (SAPT) funding for general Alcohol & Drug services has been budgeted for Fiscal Year 15/16 and includes $28,000 for residential treatment with this facility.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:
The Board has approved contracts with this facility for several years. The existing contract was approved by the Board on June 17, 2014 by Resolution 2014-278. A First Amendment was approved by the Board on December 9, 2014 by Resolution 2014-634. A Second Amendment was approved by the Board on May 12, 2015 by Resolution 2015-214.

On July 31, 2013, the Human Services Department was awarded a grant for a "Drug Court Enhancement Project" to expand substance abuse treatment services. The grant amount for 2014-15 is $239,007. This contract is part of the expansion of services outlined in the "Mariposa County Drug Court Enhancement Project." This grant provides $12,500 towards residential treatment at this facility.

The Board approved submission of the grant application on April 16, 2013 by Resolution 2013-142.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:
The need for residential care for substance abuse clients has grown because of expanded services under the Drug Court Grant and increased demand in FY2014. This contract is part of the activities planned to comply with the grant. If this contract is not approved, Mariposa County Behavioral Health may not be able to comply with the grant terms, which may jeopardize funding for this and subsequent years.
FINANCIAL IMPACT:
This contract will be paid with funds awarded by a federal grant for the "Mariposa County Drug Court Enhancement Project" and substance abuse prevention and treatment funds within the Alcohol & Drugs budget unit 001-0403.
There is no impact to the County general fund.

ATTACHMENTS:
Changing Echoes contract 2016 V2 with Exhibit A (PDF)

CAO RECOMMENDATION
Requested Action Recommended

Mary Hodson, CAO 7/14/2015

RESULT: ADOPTED BY CONSENT VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Marshall Long, District III Supervisor
SECONDER: Kevin Cann, District IV Supervisor
AYES: Rosemarie Smallcombe, Merlin Jones, Marshall Long, Kevin Cann
EXCUSED: John Carrier