RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2017-530

MEETING: August 8, 2017

TO: The Board of Supervisors

FROM: Chevon Kothari, Human Services Director

RE: MOU with Mariposa County Unified School District for MHSA PEI Services

RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:
Approve a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Mariposa County Unified School District (MCUSD) to Enhance Mental Health Prevention and Early Intervention (PEI) Services in the Mariposa Schools in an Amount Not to Exceed $975,000 for Three Fiscal Years; and Authorize the Human Services Director to Sign the MOU.

Mariposa County Behavioral Health (BH) and MCUSD intend to work together toward the mutual goal of enhancing existing Prevention and Early Intervention programs in the schools and expanding counseling services to MCUSD students and their families. Both agencies believe that the implementation of the MOU will further this goal. To this end, each agency agrees to participate by coordinating/providing the services described in the MOU.

Under the MOU, Mariposa County Behavioral Health will provide $325,000 each year for fiscal years 2017-18, 2018-19, and 2019-20 for a total amount not to exceed $975,000. MCUSD will employ 4 FTE Elementary Prevention/Intervention Specialists at approximately 50% each and one FTE High School Counselor at 100% with BH PEI funds. The funds will also be used to purchase prevention curriculum, supplies, and incentives.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:
The Mariposa County Board approved the present MOU between MCUSD and Mariposa County BH on May 5, 2015 by Resolution 2015-202.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:
If this MOU is not approved, the planned expansion of mental health prevention and early intervention services will not happen as proposed.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:
There is no impact to the County General Fund. The MOU will be funded by existing and ongoing MHSA PEI funds.

ATTACHMENTS:
MCUSD MOU - PEI 2017 thru 2020 - Aug 2 2017 (PDF)

CAO RECOMMENDATION
RESULT: ADOPTED BY CONSENT VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Rosemarie Smallcombe, District I Supervisor
SECONDER: Miles Menetrey, District V Supervisor
AYES: Rosemarie Smallcombe, Marshall Long, Kevin Cann, Miles Menetrey
EXCUSED: Merlin Jones
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN

Mariposa County Human Services - Behavioral Health and Recovery Services
AND
Mariposa County Unified School District

Whereas Mariposa County Human Services provides social services and behavioral health programs and counseling to the residents of Mariposa County, and
Whereas Mariposa County Unified School District (MCUSD) provides education and counseling to Mariposa County students, these agencies have a mutual interest in providing mental health prevention and early intervention services designed to improve the health of students.

This operational agreement stands as evidence that the aforementioned agencies intend to work together toward the mutual goal of enhancing existing Prevention and Early Intervention programs in the schools and expanding counseling services to MCUSD students and their families. Both agencies believe that the implementation of the proposal, as described herein, will further this goal. To this end, each agency agrees to participate by coordinating/providing the following services.

Mariposa County Human Services - Behavioral Health and Recovery Services (MCBHRS) agrees to:

1. Provide behavioral health professional consultation and case staffing assistance to MCUSD as needed.
2. Accept referrals and linkages from MCUSD.
3. Hold Administrative Team Meetings to review and evaluate program effectiveness.
4. Provide Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Prevention and Early Intervention (PEI) funding over four years as follows (contingent upon receipt of projected MHSA funding) to support the activities listed below:
   - July 1, 2017 - June 30, 2018: $325,000
   - July 1, 2018 - June 30, 2019: $325,000
   - July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020: $325,000

Mariposa County Unified School District agrees to:

1. Employ 4 FTE Elementary Prevention/Intervention Specialists (employee will be either a School Counselor or Teacher on Special Assignment) at approximately 50% each and one FTE High School Counselor at 100% with MCBHRS funds.
2. Elementary Prevention/Intervention Specialists will provide services and interventions to address and promote recovery and related functional outcomes for mental illness in early emergence along with reducing risk factors and building protective factors by providing the following Counseling and Support Activities:
   - Supportive counseling
   - Groups
   - Crisis intervention (suicide risk assessments, threat assessments)
   - Conflict resolution
- Assistance and support with anti-bullying curriculum
- Student study teams and Section 504 meetings
- SARB board representation
- Collaboration with teachers, parents and outside agencies

3. High School Counselor will provide services and interventions to address and promote recovery and related functional outcomes for mental illness in early emergence by providing the following Counseling and Support Activities:
   - Individual counseling
   - Groups both on-site and in the community at the local youth drop-in center
   - Crisis intervention (suicide risk assessments, threat assessments)
   - Conflict resolution
   - Collaboration with teachers, parents and outside agencies
   - Youth-lead Stigma Reduction activities

4. As children or their families are identified in need of further mental health services, the counselors and prevention/intervention specialists will provide Access and Linkage to Mariposa County Behavioral Health and Recovery Services (MCBHRs) for care and treatment.

5. A semester reporting template will be provided by MCBHRs to MCUSD with required data elements. MCUSD must complete reports that will include:
   - Number of unduplicated individuals served
   - Number of family members served
   - Number of unduplicated at risk students served in groups
   - Number of students with improved social-emotional functioning as indicated by pre and post program surveys
   - Number of referrals to mental health services
   - Number of students linked to SST, 504, IEP, SARB or other services such as foster youth/homeless programs
   - Number of students receiving crisis intervention / threat assessment
   - Aggregate demographic data that includes race, primary language

6. Attend the Administrative Team Meetings, as requested by MCBHRs.

7. MCUSD will provide funds to each of its counselors to purchase prevention curriculum, supplies, and incentives.

8. Submit quarterly invoices to MCBHRs not to exceed $325,000 annually.
We, the undersigned, as authorized representatives of the abovementioned agencies do hereby approve this document for the period of July 1, 2017- June 30, 2020.

Mariposa County Human Services

Chevon Kotz

Signature

Chevon Kotz

Printed Name

Mariposa County Unified School District

Roben Hopper

Signature

Robin Hopper

Printed Name

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Steven W. Dahlem

STEVEN W. DAHLEM
COUNTY COUNSEL
### MCBHRS Budget Proposal

**June, 2017**

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