RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2018-589

MEETING: December 11, 2018

TO: The Board of Supervisors

FROM: Chevon Kothari, Health and Human Services Director

RE: Agreement with Vista Pacifica Enterprises, Inc. to Provide Mental Health Services

RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:
Approve an Agreement with Vista Pacifica Enterprises, Inc. to provide inpatient mental health rehabilitation services for Mariposa County Behavioral Health in an amount not to exceed $60,000; and authorize the Board of Supervisors Chair to sign the agreement.

The County does not operate inpatient mental health rehabilitation facilities and therefore contracts for such placements. Multiple contracts are necessary to meet the potential need for mental health emergency services because beds are in short supply throughout California. If the County limits the number of contracts, there would likely come a time that someone were in danger to themselves or others, and no bed space would be available.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:
The most recent agreement with Vista Pacifica Enterprises was approved by Board of Supervisors on May 15, 2018 through Resolution No. 2018-223.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:
If this contract is not approved, Behavioral Health crisis response workers may have greater difficulty in placing clients who require emergency psychiatric hospitalization.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:
This contract will continue to be paid within the Mental Health budget unit 001-0402. There is no impact to the County General Fund.

ATTACHMENTS:
Vista Pacifica Enterprises Agmt. 2019v3 (PDF)

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