RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2020-17

MEETING: January 7, 2020

TO: The Board of Supervisors

FROM: Chevon Kothari, Health and Human Services Director

RE: Operational Agreement Between Mountain Crisis Services and Mariposa County Human Services

RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:
Approve a three-year operational agreement between Mountain Crisis Services, a program of Alliance for Community Transformations, Inc., and Mariposa County Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA) to provide services for domestic violence and sexual assault victims; and authorize HHSA Director to sign the agreement.

This is an Operational Agreement to coordinate responses for domestic violence and sexual assault victims and their families. This Agreement facilitates cooperation between HHSA and Mountain Crisis to maximize assistance for victims.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:
Board of Supervisors approved the current operational agreement on June 13, 2017 through Resolution No. 2017-377.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:
Not supporting this Agreement would not allow for coordination of services between HHSA and Mountain Crisis and hinder providing the best response to domestic violence and sexual assault victims and their families.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:
There is no impact to the County General Fund.

ATTACHMENTS:
MOU Domestic Violence 2014-2017 (PDF)
MOU Domestic Violence 2017-2020 (PDF)
Domestic Violence - Crime Victim 2019 - 2022 Wd.h.signature (PDF)

RESULT: ADOPTED BY CONSENT VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Rosemarie Smallcombe, District I Supervisor
SECONDER: Marshall Long, District III Supervisor
AYES: Smallcombe, Jones, Long, Cann, Menetrey
OPERATIONAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN
MOUNTAIN CRISIS SERVICES, a program of
ALLIANCE FOR COMMUNITY TRANSFORMATIONS
AND
MARIPOSA COUNTY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

This operational agreement stands as evidence that Mountain Crisis Services (MCS) a program of Alliance for Community Transformations, (Alliance), and Mariposa County Health and Human Services (MCHHS) intend to work together toward the mutual goal of providing maximum available assistance for crime victims residing in Mariposa County. Both agencies believe that cooperative provision of services for domestic violence and sexual assault victims and their families, as described herein, will further this goal. To this end, each agency agrees to participate in the program, by coordinating/providing the following services.

MCS domestic violence program will closely coordinate the following services with MCHHS.

A. Project staff being readily available to MCHHS for service provision through in-person and telephone contact;
B. To coordinate services, representatives of MCS and a representative from MCHHS will meet during regularly scheduled Mariposa Abuse Prevention Collaborative meetings.

Mountain Crisis Services agrees to the following:
1) Provide 24-hr crisis line services, individual/group counseling, legal assistance, emergency food/clothing, and shelter to domestic violence and sexual assault victims and their children who seek assistance from MCS.
2) Engage in cross training with MCHHS staff.
3) Immediately report by phone, cases of suspected child abuse/neglect to Child Welfare Services, daytime and after hours as appropriate, and provide written reports regarding these cases as required by law.

Mariposa County Department of Human Services agrees to the following:
1) Refer, as appropriate, domestic violence and sexual assault victims to MCS.
2) Engage in cross training with MCS staff and volunteers as necessary.
3) Participate on the Mariposa Abuse Prevention Collaborative meetings to help ensure the development and coordination of services for children and families in Mariposa County.

We, the undersigned as authorized representatives of Mountain Crisis Services and Mariposa County Health and Human Services, do hereby approve this document for the fiscal years October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2022.

Mountain Crisis Services:  

Alison Tudor  
Executive Director

Date: 11/19/19

Mariposa Health and Human Services:

Chevon Kothari  
Director of Human Services

Date: 11/19/19

APPROVED AS TO FORM

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