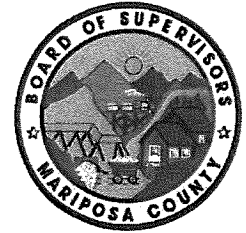


MARIPOSA COUNTY

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RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2021-410

MEETING: July 13, 2021

TO: The Board of Supervisors

FROM: Shannon Gadd, Health and Human Services Agency Director

RE: Approve Operational Agreement with Mountain Crisis Services for Sexual Assault Response Services

RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:

Approve a Three-Year Operational Agreement with Mountain Crisis Services, a program of Alliance for Community Transformations, Inc., for a Rape Crisis Program; and Authorize the Director of Health and Human Services Agency to Sign the Agreement.

This is an Operational Agreement to coordinate responses for sexual assault victims and their families. This Agreement facilitates cooperation between Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA) and Mountain Crisis to maximize assistance for victims of sexual assault.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

Board of Supervisors approved an Agreement with Mountain Crisis Services for the same purpose on July 14, 2015 through Resolution No 2015-355.

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 sexual assault victims and their families.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

There is no impact to the County General Fund.

ATTACHMENTS:

Rape Crisis - Sexual Assault MOU 8.2021 - 9.2024 - Wd.h.signautre (PDF)

RESULT: ADOPTED BY CONSENT VOTE [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Wayne Forsythe, District IV Supervisor

SECONDER: Tom Sweeney, District II Supervisors

AYES: Rosemarie Smallcombe, Tom Sweeney, Marshall Long, Wayne Forsythe

EXCUSED: Miles Menetrey



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Rape Crisis Program Operational Agreement

Between
Mountain Crisis Services
 A Program of Alliance for Community Transformations
 And
Mariposa County

I. Purpose:

This operational agreement (Agreement) outlines the partnership between Mariposa County, through its Health and Human Services Agency, and Mountain Crisis Services (MCS), a program of Alliance for Community Transformations, Inc. (Alliance), contingent on funding by the California Office of Emergency Services (CALOES), Law Enforcement and Victim Services Division, to provide funding for a Rape Crisis Program to Mariposa County. Both agencies agree on the mutual goal of partnering to provide funding for a Rape Crisis Program to Mariposa County. Both agencies agree on the mutual goal of partnering to provide maximum available assistance for victims of sexual assault residing in Mariposa County.

II. Term of the Agreement

This Agreement shall begin on August 31, 2021 and end on September 30, 2024.

III. Modification of the Agreement

Notwithstanding any of the provisions of this Agreement, the parties may agree to amend this Agreement. However, no alternation or variation of this Agreement shall be valid unless made in writing and signed by the parties hereto. No oral understanding or agreement not incorporated herein shall be binding on any of the parties hereto.

IV. Termination "At Will"

This Agreement, notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein above or hereinafter set forth, may be terminated by either party at any time without cause or legal excuse by providing the other party with thirty (30) calendar days written notice of such termination.

V. Mountain Crisis Services agrees to coordinate the following:

1. Assign a staff person to the role of Sexual Assault Response Team (SART) Coordinator;
2. Coordinate and facilitate the SART quarterly meetings;
3. Coordinate interagency cross training for the Mariposa Health and Human Services Agency on subjects including, but not limited to, the dynamics, identification, screening, assessment, referral, confidentiality requirements, culture and religious barriers, societal





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causes, and attitudes and implications for undocumented women who are survivors of sexual assault;

4. Coordinate with Child Welfare Services (CWS) for the provision of services to children who are victims of sexual assault residing in the MCS emergency safe house, when the case falls under CWS jurisdiction.

VI. Mountain Crisis Services will provide upon request of the County, the following services to victims' of sexual assault through the Mariposa Health and Human Services Agency, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year;

1. A 24-hour crisis line for victims of sexual assault and their families;
2. Advocacy, assessment, transportation, and accompaniment to the extent that funding is made available;
3. Assistance to the families of child victims as requested by CWS;
4. Follow up counseling provided individually and in groups to survivors; and
5. Consultation and technical assistance on sexual assault cases.

VII. The Mariposa County Health and Human Services Agency agrees to the following:

1. Inform victims of sexual assault about services available through Mountain Crisis Services, and hand out written materials provided by Mountain Crisis Services describing available services;
2. Contact Mountain Crisis Services if requested by a victim of sexual assault.

VIII. Mountain Crisis Services and Mariposa County Health and Human Services Agency agree to the following:

1. Address concerns or issues that are specific to sexual assault as needed;
2. Share information regarding the status of a case if authorized by the victim;
3. Coordinate provision of services when both agencies are involved with a victim of sexual assault.
4. Provide cross training on sexual assault issues

This Agreement is executed in the State of California, by and on behalf of the parties hereto.

Alison Tudor
Executive Director
Alliance for Community Transformations

Shannon Gadd
Director
Mariposa Health and Human Services
Agency

6/13/21
Date

July 13th, 2021
Date

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

STEVEN W. DAHLEM
COUNTY COUNSEL

