



# Health & Human Services Agency

## COUNTY OF TULARE AGENDA ITEM

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**AGENDA DATE:** May 9, 2023 REVISED

Public Hearing Required	N/A
Scheduled Public Hearing w/Clerk	N/A
Published Notice Required	N/A
Advertised Published Notice	N/A
Meet & Confer Required	N/A
Budget Transfer (Aud 308) attached	N/A
Personnel Resolution attached	N/A
Agreement(s) attached	Yes

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**SUBJECT:** Approve an agreement with the California Mental Health Services Authority

**REQUEST(S):**

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Ratify and approve an agreement with California Mental Health Services Authority for Prevention and Early Intervention Mini Grants in an amount not to exceed \$200,000, retroactive from May 1, 2023 through June 30, 2023. This agreement is retroactive due to delays in receiving the agreement, making it impracticable for the Board to take action prior to May 1, 2023.
2. Find that the Board has the authority to enter into the agreement as of May 1, 2023, and that it was in the County's best interest to enter into the agreement as of that date.
3. Ratify the Chair's signature on the agreement.

**SUMMARY:**

Tulare County Health & Human Services Agency (HHSA), Mental Health Branch through its Prevention and Early Intervention (PEI) funding and in collaboration with the California Mental Health Services Authority (CalMHSA) will award grants to community partners with the purpose of fostering stronger connections between individuals and organizations within specific communities to help address contributing factors to mental health crises and contribute to mental wellbeing.

CalMHSA, a Joint Powers Authority, is an independent administrative and fiscal government agency, focused on the efficient delivery of California mental health projects for its member counties, including Tulare County. CalMHSA in collaboration with HHSA

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will be the administrative manager for the grant program, which will oversee the review and selection process. Grant funds will be awarded to a wide variety of organizations and individuals and will be disseminated equitably throughout Tulare County to engage the community through community health fairs, community picnics, artistic/creative engagements, symposiums, outreach activities, and team sports. The exact criteria will be determined by CalMHSA as they will be administering the Request for Proposal process which will include management of grant funds, developing and releasing RFP grant opportunities, reviewing, scoring, and selecting awardees and notifying awardees, program management, and oversight. HHSA will pay CalMHSA an administrative fee in the amount of \$30,000, this amount will be deducted from the total contract amount of \$200,000.

The following terms deviate substantively from the standard County boilerplate: 1) the County must sign first 2) the County needs to provide six months' notice to terminate the agreement, and 3) the County must indemnify CalMHSA for damages arising from this agreement.

**FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:**

The budgeted costs associated with this agreement are included in the HHSA 001-142-3332 in an amount not to exceed \$200,000 for the period of May 1, 2023, through June 30, 2023. This agreement is paid through the Mental Health Services Act, Prevention, and Early Intervention funding. There is no additional net county cost to the General Fund.

**LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF TULARE STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN:**

The County's five-year strategic plan includes the Organizational Performance initiative to continuously improve organizational effectiveness and fiscal stability. This agreement increases the ability to fulfill that obligation by allowing us to develop new and continue established relationships with community partners.

**ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:**

/s/ Natalie Bolin

Natalie Bolin

Director of Mental Health

Cc: County Administrative Office

Attachments: Agreement