



# Board Agenda Item 33

DATE: June 20, 2017

TO: Board of Supervisors

SUBMITTED BY: Dawan Utecht, Director, Department of Behavioral Health  
Margaret Mims, Sheriff-Coroner

SUBJECT: Addendum to Memorandum of Understanding with Fresno County Cities for Mental Health Triage Services

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

**Approve and authorize the Chairman to execute Addendum No. 4 to the Memorandum of Understanding, Agreement No. 13-566, between the County of Fresno and the Cities of Fresno, Clovis, Huron, Coalinga, Parlier, Reedley, Selma, Sanger, Kerman, Kingsburg, Orange Cove, Firebaugh, Fowler, and Mendota to reduce the mental health triage services allocation from \$350,000 to \$33,732.**

There is no increase in Net County Cost associated with the recommended action. The recommended Addendum No. 4 to the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) amends the Addendum No. 2 allocation (\$350,000) for mental health triage services to \$33,732 in Year 3, as the parties redirected the remaining California Board State and Community Corrections (BSCC) funding to other law enforcement projects. The amended allocation was exhausted in FY 2016-17, further mental health triage services will be provided using Mental Health Services Act - Prevention & Early Intervention funding (MHSA-PEI).

ALTERNATIVE ACTION(S):

There is no viable alternative action; the County is part of the original committee to the MOU (Agreement No. 13-566).

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no increase Net County Cost associated with the recommended action. The recommended addendum will reduce the \$350,000 allocation for mental health triage services to \$33,732, as directed by the participating parties of the MOU. The services will instead be funded with MHSA-PEI funding. The Department of Behavioral Health (DBH) amended funding allocation was spent performing mental health triage services in the rural west side of the County. The Sheriff-Coroner's allocation, in the amount of \$90,000, remains unchanged and was spent performing prisoner transport in the rural areas of the County. The County's reduced Year 3 total allocation of \$123,732 was exhausted during FY 2016-17. Upon exhaustion, prisoner transport and mental health triage services ended, as part of the MOU, as the associated law enforcement agencies are not recommending additional funding in FY 2017-18.

DISCUSSION:

As part of the California Budget Act of 2012, monies were appropriated to city police departments to enable front-line intervention services in each county. As outlined in the Budget Act, the allocation formula was developed by the BSCC in consultation with the Department of Finance. The BSCC voted to distribute the funds based on a formula developed by the California Police Chiefs Association, which distributes the funds based on

a number of factors including local budget cuts, crime trends, and the ability of local agencies to use the funds effectively. These funds are legislatively identified for three years contingent upon availability of State funds.

On September 17, 2013, your Board approved the MOU, Agreement No. 13-566, with the Cities to implement an e-filing service and a funding allocation of \$488,623 for the District Attorney-Public Administrator's Office. The following year, your Board approved Addendum No. 1 to continue the service with a funding allocation of \$504,632. Thereafter, funding discontinued; however, the services continue with the initial two-year allocation, anticipated to be exhausted in FY 2016-17.

On July 14, 2015, your Board approved Addendum No. 2 to fund costs associated with Sheriff-Coroner prisoner transport (\$100,000) and for DBH field response mental health services (\$350,000) in the rural west side of the County.

On June 7, 2016, your Board approved Addendum No. 3 decreasing funding for the Sheriff-Coroner from \$100,000 to \$90,000 and continued the DBH funding for mental health triage services.

With your Board's approval, Addendum No. 4 will reduce the Year 3 DBH funding allocation from \$350,000 to \$33,732 and the Sheriff's allocation will remain unchanged. The budgetary changes have been approved by the City of Fresno Police Department, who as grant administrator, received approval from the granting agency.

REFERENCE MATERIAL:

BAI #22, June 7, 2016  
BAI #29, July 14, 2015  
BAI #17, September 16, 2014  
BAI #19, September 17, 2013

ATTACHMENTS INCLUDED AND/OR ON FILE:

On file with Clerk - Addendum No. 4 to MOU (Agreement No. 13-566) with Fresno County Cities

CAO ANALYST:

Sonia M. De La Rosa