

ALAMEDA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MINUTE ORDER

The following action was taken by the Alameda County Board of Supervisors on 07/21/2015

Approved as Recommended ☒

Other ☐

Unanimous ☒ Chan: ☐ Haggerty: ☐ Miley: ☐ Valle: ☐ Carson: ☐ - 5

Vote Key: N=No; A=Abstain; X=Excused

Documents accompanying this matter:

Documents to be signed by Agency/Purchasing Agent:

Contract: C-900112,C- 900117,C- 900121,C-11611,C- 11637,C- 11649

File No. _____

Item No. 5

Copies sent to:

R. Ransom, J. Jordan

Special Notes:



I certify that the foregoing is a correct copy of a Minute Order adopted by the Board of Supervisors, Alameda County, State of California.

ATTEST:

Clerk of the Board
Board of Supervisors

By: _____

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Deputy



AGENDA _____ July 21, 2015

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June 15, 2015

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
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**SUBJECT: APPROVE CONTRACT AUGMENTATIONS FOR INTENSIVE-COUNSELING
ENRICHED SPECIAL DAY CLASS PROGRAMS IN THE AMOUNT OF
\$1,189,609 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016**

Dear Board Members:

RECOMMENDATIONS:

A. Approve master contract augmentations for the following community-based organizations to provide intensive counseling enriched special day classes at five school sites within Oakland Unified School District for the period July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016:

1. East Bay Agency for Children (Principal: Josh Leonard, Executive Director; Location: Oakland, CA; Master Contract No. 900112; Procurement Contract No. 11611), to provide an intensive counseling enriched special day class at Think College Now Elementary, increasing the procurement amount from \$6,372,304 to \$6,612,099 an increase of \$239,795;
2. Lincoln Child Center (Principal: Christine Stoner-Mertz, Executive Director; Location: Oakland; Master Contract No. 900117; Procurement Contract No. 11637), to provide intensive counseling enriched special day classes at Hoover Elementary and Fremont High School, increasing the procurement amount from \$7,701,939 to \$8,171,753 an increase of \$469,814;
3. Seneca Family of Agencies (Principal: Ken Berrick, President and CEO; Location: San Leandro; Master Contract No. 900121; Procurement Contract No. 11649), to provide intensive counseling enriched special day classes at Bridges Academy at Melrose and Castlemont High School, increasing the procurement amount from \$20,567,449 to \$21,047,449 an increase of \$480,000; and

B. Delegate authority to the Director of Alameda County Health Care Services Agency's Behavioral Health Care Services and/or his designee to execute the contracts on your behalf.

SUMMARY:

Alameda County Health Care Services Agency's Behavioral Health Care Services (BHCS) is requesting approval for contract augmentations for East Bay Agency for Children (EBAC), Lincoln Child Center (Lincoln) and Seneca Family of Agencies (Seneca) to deliver intensive counseling enriched special day classes (I-CESDCs) at five school sites in Oakland Unified School District (OUSD). These providers are being recommended for contract award as a result of a Request for Proposal (RFP) process.

DISCUSSION:

In 1986, Assembly Bill 3632 (AB 3632) mandated that County Mental Health departments provide mental health services to any special education student with an Individual Education Plan (IEP) that specified such services were needed to succeed in school. Local school districts were responsible for providing counseling and guidance services to meet the child's needs. Students requiring mental health services beyond the capacity of what the school could provide were referred to the county mental health department. More recently, the responsibility for these mental health services for special education students has been realigned to the school districts through Educationally Related Mental Health Services (ERMHS). The BHCS Children's System of Care has partnered with local school districts within Alameda County to continue the provision of ERMHS to eligible children and youth, age five through 19 years old, who fit the criteria for the service need.

For emotional and behavioral issues that specifically arise in the classroom, a student's IEP may recommend an I-CESDC placement which is a structured, intensive school-based program designed to address the student's mental health, emotional, and behavioral issues that create a barrier to effective learning. The students participating in I-CESDC have significant impairments in major life activities that have compromised their ability to self-regulate and thrive in contained or resourced classrooms without intensive interventions. They have concurrent high rates for disciplinary referrals due to school-related incidents.

BHCS contracted agencies delivered I-CESDC programs on an interim basis for Fiscal Year 2014-15 to fill an urgent gap due to the loss of an OUSD I-CESDC provider. The school calendar did not permit a full procurement process to identify an alternate provider or providers for the 2014-15 school-year. EBAC and Lincoln had been providing similar services and agreed to deliver I-CESDC services for one classroom in Think College Now Elementary and two classrooms each in Hoover Elementary and Fremont High School, respectively. These agencies understood that a formal RFP process would be completed to identify an ongoing provider for these services in advance of the following school year.

During the RFP development, OUSD decided to move some of the existing I-CESDC programs to new locations to create more options for families by spreading out the school programs to different parts of the school district. The program will remain in Hoover Elementary and Fremont High School with one classroom each. The other two classrooms will be located in Bridges Academy at Melrose Elementary and Castlemont High School effective in the 2015-16 school year. Your Board's approval will ensure continuity of these intensive classroom services in the five school sites within OUSD.

SELECTION CRITERIA AND PROCESS:

BHCS released RFP No. 15-01 on February 19, 2015 for I-CESDCs for three elementary and two high school classrooms at five identified school sites within OUSD. The RFP was advertised using the General Services Agency's (GSA) advertising guideline by posting on the BHCS and GSA websites. In addition, a courtesy email was sent to BHCS contracted providers and other BHCS contacts via existing email distribution lists. BHCS held two Bidders' Conferences on Thursday, March 5, 2015, one in the morning and another in the afternoon, in Oakland and Hayward, respectively. A total of 16 people attended. There were two Evaluation Panels (also known as County Selection Committees), one for elementary and another for high school, which included subject matter experts on the I-CESDC model. Each panel had six members comprised of BHCS, OUSD, and other Bay Area county staff. The below table summarizes the results of this RFP and the Evaluation Panel's recommendations for contract award. All bidders were notified of these recommendations via email and certified mail on May 1, 2015.

	<i>School Site</i>	<i>Bidder</i>	<i>Score</i>
<i>Elementary</i>	<i>Bridges Academy at Melrose</i>	<i>La Familia</i>	<i>398</i>
		<i>Lincoln Child Center</i>	<i>432</i>
		<i>Seneca</i>	<i>449</i>
		<i>STARS Community Services</i>	<i>377</i>
	<i>Hoover Elementary</i>	<i>Lincoln Child Center</i>	<i>458</i>
		<i>Seneca</i>	<i>434</i>
		<i>STARS Community Services</i>	<i>377</i>
	<i>Think College Now</i>	<i>EBAC</i>	<i>503</i>
		<i>La Familia</i>	<i>410</i>
		<i>Seneca</i>	<i>439</i>
		<i>STARS Community Services</i>	<i>386</i>
<i>High School</i>	<i>Castlemont High School</i>	<i>Lincoln Child Center</i>	<i>447</i>
		<i>Seneca</i>	<i>464</i>
		<i>STARS Community Services</i>	<i>402</i>
	<i>Fremont High School</i>	<i>Lincoln Child Center</i>	<i>494</i>
		<i>Seneca</i>	<i>482</i>
		<i>STARS Community Services</i>	<i>383</i>

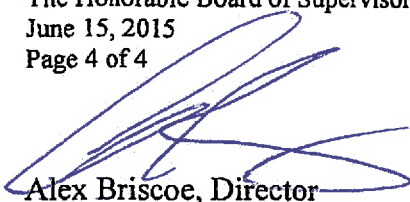
As non-profit community-based providers, all three of these providers are exempt from the County SLEB policy. However, EBAC has elected to become a certified SLEB provider (No. 12-00156).

FINANCING:

Funding for these contracts are included in the BHCS FY 2015-16 budget. There will be no increase to net County cost as a result of your approval.

Respectfully submitted,

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
June 15, 2015
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Alex Briscoe, Director
Alameda County Health Care Services Agency

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