



COUNTY OF SONOMA

575 ADMINISTRATION
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SUMMARY REPORT

Agenda Date: 11/7/2023

To: County of Sonoma Board of Supervisors
Department or Agency Name(s): Department of Health Services
Staff Name and Phone Number: Tina Rivera, 565-4774
Vote Requirement: Majority
Supervisorial District(s): Countywide

Title:
Tulare County Office of Education Agreement

Recommended Action:

Authorize the Director of Health Services, or designee, to execute the first amendment to a revenue agreement with Tulare County Superintendent of Schools to accept additional revenue to support local substance use disorder services programs, increasing the agreement by \$55,000 for a new total amount of \$110,000, and extending the term end date from June 30, 2023 to June 30, 2024.

Executive Summary:

The Department of Health Services (hereinafter “DHS” or “the Department”) receives federal Substance Abuse Block Grant (SABG) funding via the California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) to provide substance use disorder services. One of the programs funded by the SABG grant in Sonoma County is the Friday Night Live (FNL) program, a youth development program focused on preventing alcohol and other drug use by middle school and high school students.

On February 1, 2023 the Department entered into an agreement with Tulare County Superintendent of Schools, who since FY 2022-23 has taken over the administration of the state’s SABG FNL funding, including Sonoma County’s \$55,000 allocation for fiscal year 2022-2023. The proposed amendment will allow Sonoma County DHS to receive a fiscal year 2023-2024 funding allocation in the amount of \$55,000 to continue support of Sonoma County’s Friday Night Live program. This program includes an initiative by the state to focus on priority youth populations including Latino/a/x and LGBTQ+ youth.

Discussion:

Substance Abuse Block Grant (SABG) funding via the California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) supports the provision of substance use disorder services. The SABG program’s objective is to help plan, implement, and evaluate activities that prevent and treat substance use disorders. DHS uses SABG program funding for prevention, treatment, recovery support, and other services to supplement Medicaid. One of the programs implemented in Sonoma County, Friday Night Live (FNL), is a youth development program aimed at high school and middle school youth and designed to prevent alcohol and other substance use and to promote youth development and offer youth leadership opportunities.

DHCS provided SABG set-aside funding for the California State Friday Live (FNL) Partnership to Tulare County Superintendent of Schools for the administration of the SABG FNL program funds. This set-aside FNL funding received by Tulare is for Sonoma County FNL programs. Being a program that is focused on delivering

outreach, education, and resources to high-school and middle-school aged youth, the funding for the Friday Night Live program is administered not by the California Department of Healthcare Services directly, but by an agency they have determined is best positioned to distribute, track, and evaluate this funding. In this case, the Tulare County Superintendent of Schools was selected by DHCS as the administering agency. There is no method for receiving the funding for these valuable SUD prevention programs directly from the California Department of Healthcare Services and so in order to have access to the funding, the Sonoma County Department of Health Services must enter into an agreement with Tulare County Superintendent of Schools.

This is not unlike other agreements in which the state government department utilizes a partner agency to distribute, track, evaluate, and report on funding, where they may not have the capacity internally to do that work.

For the past 20-plus years the state’s DHCS administered these set-aside SABG funds to counties including Sonoma County and beginning fiscal year 2022-2023 the administration of these funds was transferred to Tulare. The California FNL Partnership organization is housed and has been housed in Tulare for the past several years and Tulare has agreed to continue to house and support this statewide program. The Department has programmatic appropriations included in the fiscal year 2023-2024 adopted budget.

This \$55,000 is an additional allocation beyond the \$55,000 allocation received for this program in fiscal year 2022-2023 and includes an initiative by the state to focus on priority youth populations including Latino/a/x and LGBTQ+ youth.

Strategic Plan:

N/A

Prior Board Actions:

On January 31, 2023 the Board A) approved a revenue agreement with Tulare County Superintendent of Schools to accept revenue to support local substance use disorder services programs in the amount of \$55,000 through June 30, 2023 and B) adopted a resolution authorizing budgetary adjustments to the fiscal year 2022-2023 adopted budget to reflect additional revenue and expenditures related to an agreement with Tulare County Superintendent of Schools to support local substance use disorder services programs in the amount of \$25,000.

FISCAL SUMMARY

Expenditures	FY 23-24 Adopted	FY 24-25 Projected	FY 25-26 Projected
Budgeted Expenses	\$55,000		
Additional Appropriation Requested			
Total Expenditures	\$55,000	0	0
Funding Sources			
General Fund/WA GF			
State/Federal	\$55,000		
Fees/Other			
Use of Fund Balance			
Contingencies			

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Total Sources	\$55,000	0	0
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Narrative Explanation of Fiscal Impacts:

The Department has programmatic appropriations for revenue and expenditures of \$55,000 in the FY 2023-24 budget as the remaining \$55,000 of the \$110,000 contract was utilized in FY 2022-23.

Staffing Impacts:			
Position Title (Payroll Classification)	Monthly Salary Range (A-I Step)	Additions (Number)	Deletions (Number)

Narrative Explanation of Staffing Impacts (If Required):

N/A

Attachments:

Attachment 1 - Agreement with Tulare County Superintendent of Schools

Related Items "On File" with the Clerk of the Board:

None