



**COUNTY OF SAN MATEO**  
Inter-Departmental Correspondence  
Health System



**Date:** September 18, 2014  
**Board Meeting Date:** October 21, 2014  
**Special Notice / Hearing:** None  
**Vote Required:** Majority

**To:** Honorable Board of Supervisors

**From:** Jean S. Fraser, Chief, Health System  
Lisa Mancini, Director, Aging and Adult Services

**Subject:** Amendment to the agreement with Legal Aid Society of San Mateo County

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Adopt a resolution authorizing an amendment to the agreement with Legal Aid Society of San Mateo County to provide legal assistance, family caregiver support, clients' rights advocacy, and kids in crisis program services, extending the term through June 30, 2015, and increasing the amount by \$116,082 to an amount not to exceed \$153,964.

**BACKGROUND:**

On August 7, 2014, the Director of Aging and Adult Services (AAS) authorized an agreement with Legal Aid Society of San Mateo County (Legal Aid) to provide legal assistance, family caregiver support, clients' rights advocacy, and kids in crisis program services for the term July 1, 2014, through September 30, 2014, in an amount not to exceed \$37,882. This agreement was for a three-month term in order to accommodate the change in funding structures and reporting requirements as a result of the Federal Sequester of Older Americans Act (OAA) funding.

AAS now wishes to extend the term of the agreement through the entire fiscal year (FY) of 2014-15, increase the required service units for the remaining nine months of the FY, and increase the corresponding amount of OAA and County General Funds to support the services to be provided to older adults and adults with disabilities.

**DISCUSSION:**

Legal Aid will provide legal assistance and family caregiver support program services to individuals 60 years and older. To individuals between the ages of 18 and 59, Legal Aid will provide clients' rights advocacy and kids in crisis program services. Legal Aid's services will target those in economic and social need, i.e. low-income minority individuals and older individuals with limited English proficiency.

The Resolution contains the County's standard provisions allowing amendment of the County's fiscal obligations by a maximum of \$25,000 (in aggregate).

The amendment and Resolution have been reviewed and approved by County Counsel as to form.

The amendment with Legal Aid contributes to the Shared Vision 2025 outcome of a Healthy Community by providing legal assistance, family caregiver support, clients' rights advocacy, and kids in crisis program services to older adults and adults with disabilities. Through these and other community-based services funded by the OAA, it is anticipated that 95% of at-risk individuals will be maintained in a least restrictive setting through case management.

**PERFORMANCE MEASURE:**

Measure	FY 2013-14 Actual	FY 2014-15 Projected
Percent of at-risk individuals maintained in a least restrictive setting through case management	95%	95%

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

The term of the agreement is July 1, 2014, through June 30, 2015. The amount of the agreement is not to exceed \$153,964. Of this amount, \$81,957 is funded through OAA funding. The remaining \$72,007 is Net County Cost. Funds for these services have been included in the AAS FY 2014-15 Recommended Budget.