



County of San Mateo

Inter-Departmental Correspondence

Department: HEALTH

File #: 21-870

Board Meeting Date: 11/9/2021

Special Notice / Hearing: None
Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors

From: Louise F. Rogers, Chief, San Mateo County Health
Scott Gilman, Director, Behavioral Health and Recovery Services

Subject: Agreement with California Clubhouse, Inc. for Consumer-Run Peer-Support and Self-Help Services

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a resolution authorizing an agreement with California Clubhouse, Inc. for consumer-run peer-support and self-help services for the term of July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2023, and the Help@Hand pilot for the term of July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022, in an amount not to exceed \$718,348.

BACKGROUND:

In 2014 Behavioral Health and Recovery Services (BHRS) completed a three-year planning process for services and support to be funded by the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA). After conducting an extensive stakeholder process, it was determined that supporting individuals living in the community and connecting such individuals with employment, volunteer opportunities, and ongoing peer support were among the highest of priorities.

A group of parents, whose adult children live with a persistent, serious mental illness, researched and launched the California Clubhouse (Clubhouse) in San Mateo County. They received formal training and the Clubhouse was granted 501(c)(3) not-for-profit status, as a consumer-run organization to provide consumer peer-support and self-help services in the County.

On June 25, 2020, the Chief of San Mateo County Health approved an amendment to the agreement with the Clubhouse, adding peer-led supports for the Help@Hand pilot to provide the technology needed to engage clients and develop Help@Hand Ambassadors to support client and peer connection, as well as wellness and recovery. Funding for the pilot ends June 30, 2022.

DISCUSSION:

The Clubhouse provides a membership-based community where adults with severe mental illness find a network of support and skills needed to achieve social, financial, educational, and vocational

goals, and peer-led supports for the Help@Hand pilot. Members are offered support, training, education, healthy social interaction, and positive reinforcement through collegial relationships. The success of the Clubhouse is achieved by members helping each other become productive members of society through motivation and shared experience.

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 agreement and resolution have been reviewed and approved by County Counsel as to form. This agreement is late due to prolonged contract negotiations and is on the Continuing Resolution.

The Clubhouse fills a much-needed gap in support services, a primary strategy for MHSA in San Mateo County. It is anticipated that 90% of total clients served will receive peer-support services.

PERFORMANCE MEASURE:

Measure	FY 2020-21 Actual	FY 2021-22 Estimate
Percentage of total clients served that receive peer-support services	85% 255 of 300 clients	90% 270 of 300 clients

FISCAL IMPACT:

The term of the agreement is July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2023. The amount of the agreement is not to exceed \$718,348 for the two-year term. Of that amount, \$384,134 is included in the BHRS FY 2021-22 Adopted Budget. MHSA will fund \$384,134 or 100% of the agreement. A similar arrangement will be in place for FY 2022-23. There is no Net County Cost associated with this agreement.