



County of San Mateo

Inter-Departmental Correspondence

Department: HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY

File #: 19-658

Board Meeting Date: 6/25/2019

Special Notice / Hearing: None
Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors
From: Nicole Pollack, Human Services Agency
Subject: **Measure K:** Agreement with StarVista

RECOMMENDATION:

Measure K: Adopt a resolution authorizing an agreement with StarVista to provide school-based mental health services, in the amount of \$639,770 for a term of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020.

BACKGROUND:

The Children and Family Resource Centers (CFRCs) provide school-based mental health services that focus on children with behavioral issues and who are at-risk of entering into systems that include: child welfare, juvenile justice, and psychiatric emergency services. StarVista will provide prevention services through six Spanish-speaking, bilingual clinicians based at schools within the following districts: Daly City, San Bruno, Pacifica, Ravenswood (East Palo Alto), South San Francisco, and San Mateo.

The County conducted a Request for Proposals in April 2019. StarVista was the only provider that submitted a Request for Proposal for these services. StarVista was awarded based on its experience and expertise in providing mental health, therapy and counseling services, and school-based programs to at-youth risk.

DISCUSSION:

StarVista will provide clinical staff that will screen children for risk factors and other issues that impact social and emotional functioning in the home and school setting and will create a treatment plan based on assessed needs. Children and families will receive short-term, evidence-based treatment and therapy to assist in meeting treatment plan goals and prevent entry into higher-levels of care such as child welfare, juvenile justice, and psychiatric emergency.

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

County Counsel has reviewed and approved the agreement and resolution as to form.

The agreement with StarVista will contribute to the Shared Vision 2025 outcome of a Prosperous Community by providing resources to assist the County's low-income and underserved residents by increasing the availability and accessibility of early intervention clinical services for at-risk children with behavioral issues. It is anticipated that approximately 950 (unduplicated) children will be served at the CFRCs and 85% of children with treatment plans will demonstrate improvement in one or more areas of concern as shown by attainment of treatment plan goal(s).

PERFORMANCE MEASURE:

Measure	FY 2019-20 Target
Based on the provider's reassessment, the percentage of children with treatment plans who will demonstrate improvement in one or more areas of concern as shown by attainment of treatment plan goal(s):	85%
Of those children referred for clinical services, the percentage who will receive a complete psychosocial assessment of the child and family by the 4th session and a complete treatment plan for by the 5th session:	90%

FISCAL IMPACT:

The term of this Agreement is July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020. The amount of obligation for this Agreement is \$639,770 and will be funded 100% by **Measure K** Sales and Use Tax revenue. Funds have been included in the FY2019-20 Recommended Budget.