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STAFF REPORT

BOARD MEETING DATE: April 27, 2021

DATE: Wednesday, March 10, 2021

TO: Board of County Commissioners

FROM: Sarah Thompson, Specialty Courts Program Manager,
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THROUGH: Jackie Bryant, District Court Administrator and Clerk of Court

SUBJECT: Recommendation to retroactively approve the Professional Services Agreement to support case management services for Family Treatment Court, between the Second Judicial District Court and Tru Vista, in an amount not to exceed [\$5,000] (no match required), to support the Specialty Courts program, effective April 1, 2021 through June 30, 2021, (All Commission Districts.)

SUMMARY

The Professional Services Agreement between the Second Judicial District Court (Court) and Tru Vista, allows case management support for participants engaged in the Family Treatment Court. The costs to the Court associated with serving this population include conducting orientation, evaluating service needs, providing community resources and support, transition planning and other support services designed to further reduce each participant's involvement in the Family Court system.

The Professional Services Agreement between the Court and Tru Vista will be paid for through a partial restoration of Assembly Bill 29 funds for Family Treatment Court which occurred on December 4, 2020 and March 5, 2021.

County Priority supported by this item: Safe, secure and healthy communities.

PREVIOUS ACTION

The Board of County Commissioners previously acknowledged the Assembly Bill 29 funds for the Second Judicial District Court, in the amount of \$907,378.40, to support Specialty Court programs through June 30, 2021. This amount reflected a 20% reduction in funding. The acknowledgement included an allocation to Family Treatment Court in the amount of \$55,476.80.

AGENDA ITEM # _____

BACKGROUND

Founded in 1994, the Family Treatment Court was the first family drug court in the nation. The Court focuses on safe and sober parenting and mental health stability for families involved with the child welfare system. The program aims to reunify children with their parents by ensuring a return to a safe and nurturing home environment. The Family Treatment Court provides substance use treatment to parents, along with any needed mental health services. The court works with the child welfare agency in providing any other additional services for the parents and children needed to reunify the family.

FISCAL IMPACT

Payments for the provider will come from Assembly 29 funds. This has been acknowledged previously by the BCC.

Should the board acknowledge these subawards, payments will be made from the accounts listed below.

Cost Object	G/L Account	Amount
IO# 20217	710100	\$5,000

RECOMMENDATION

Recommend that the Board of County Commissioners retroactively acknowledge the Professional Services Agreement to support case management services for Family Treatment Court, between the Second Judicial District Court and Tru Vista, in an amount not to exceed [\$5,000] (no match required), to support the Specialty Courts program, effective April 1, 2021 through June 30, 2021, (All Commission Districts.)

POSSIBLE MOTION

Move to retroactively approve the Professional Services Agreement to support case management services for Family Treatment Court, between the Second Judicial District Court and Tru Vista, in an amount not to exceed [\$5,000] (no match required), to support the Specialty Courts program, effective April 1, 2021 through June 30, 2021, (All Commission Districts.)