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STAFF REPORT

BOARD MEETING DATE: May 28, 2024

DATE: Wednesday, May 22, 2024
TO: Board of County Commissioners
FROM: Andrew Sherbondy, Sergeant, Department of Alternative Sentencing (775) 399-0265; asherbondy@washoecounty.gov
THROUGH: Justin Roper, Chief Alternative Sentencing Officer
SUBJECT: Recommendation to approve the Interlocal Contract Between Public Agencies Washoe County Department of Alternative Sentencing and Washoe County Human Services Agency - CrossRoads for priority beds in supportive living programming for clients of the STAR program in an amount not to exceed [\$96,000.00] over the four-year grant period retroactive to October 1, 2023, through September 30, 2027. (All Commission Districts.)

SUMMARY

A subgrant agreement between Washoe County Department of Alternative Sentencing and Washoe County Human Services Agency – Crossroads was authorized by the Board on January 23, 2024. It was later determined by all parties and the Bureau of Justice Assistance that an Interlocal Agreement was more appropriate. DAS requests the Board approve this Interlocal Agreement in replacement of the subgrant agreement that was cancelled on March 21, 2024. This Interlocal Agreement will provide for priority beds in supportive living programming at CrossRoads women’s campus for participants of the Department of Alternative Sentencing Support in Treatment, Accountability, and Recovery (STAR) program over the four-year grant period retroactive to October 1, 2023 – September 30, 2027.

Washoe County Strategic Objective supported by this item: Vulnerable Populations.

PREVIOUS ACTION

On January 23, 2024, the Board authorized Item #9.B.1., a subgrant agreement and Resolution for priority beds in supportive living programming for clients of the Support in Treatment, Accountability and Recovery (STAR) program between Washoe County Department of Alternative Sentencing and Washoe County Human Services Agency - CrossRoads in an amount not to exceed [\$96,000.00] over the four-year grant period retroactive to October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2027.

On November 14, 2023, the Board accepted Item #12, a direct grant award [\$826,852.00, no County match required] from the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA), FY 2023,

AGENDA ITEM # _____

Project number 15PBJA-23-GG-02433-SCAX, to the Washoe County Department of Alternative Sentencing to expand treatment and recovery services for the Support in Treatment, Accountability and Recovery (STAR) program for the grant period of October 1, 2023 to September 30, 2027.

BACKGROUND

The Support in Treatment, Accountability, and Recovery (STAR) program was implemented in October 2022 in an effort to provide probationers and pretrial releases supervised by the Department of Alternative Sentencing (DAS) with the wrap-around support necessary to successfully address foundational causes of opioid use disorder, as well as underlying criminogenic behaviors.

The Board approved a grant award from the Bureau of Justice Assistance on November 11, 2023, part of which includes the provision of priority beds in supportive living programming for participants of the STAR program.

DAS is partnering with Washoe County Human Services Agency – CrossRoads for this project. CrossRoads has been in operation since 2010 and is operated by the Washoe County Human Services Agency in partnership with Catholic Charities of Northern Nevada. CrossRoads programming includes access to MAT services, daily on-site alcohol testing and random on-site drug testing, transportation and associated costs with pro-social activities, and basic toiletry needs in a safe, sober living environment. Clients are connected to a variety of services including medical/dental services, housing, volunteerism, budgeting, family planning, trauma informed care, and other supportive services.

Initially, the Bureau of Justice Assistance required DAS to treat this part of the grant-funded project as a Sub-grant Agreement instead of an Interlocal Agreement. The Subgrant Agreement was authorized by the Board on January 23, 2024, after which, it was agreed upon by all parties and the Bureau of Justice Assistance that an Interlocal Agreement was more appropriate for this part of the project between County agencies. The sub-grant agreement was cancelled on March 21, 2024 and an Interlocal Agreement was developed for this agenda item.

Reason for retroactive submittal: Item was submitted to the first available BCC meeting once Interlocal Agreement was developed and completed.

FISCAL IMPACT

Sufficient FY23-24 budget authority exists within the BJA STAR FY25 (IN12291) account Professional Services (710100).

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners approve the Interlocal Contract Between Public Agencies Washoe County Department of Alternative Sentencing and Washoe County Human Services Agency - CrossRoads for priority beds

in supportive living programming for clients of the STAR program in an amount not to exceed [\$96,000.00] over the four-year grant period retroactive to October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2027.

POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board agree with staff's recommendation, a possible motion would be: "Move to approve the Interlocal Contract Between Public Agencies Washoe County Department of Alternative Sentencing and Washoe County Human Services Agency - CrossRoads for priority beds in supportive living programming for clients of the STAR program in an amount not to exceed [\$96,000.00] over the four-year grant period retroactive to October 1, 2023, through September 30, 2027."