



COUNTY of VENTURA

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Subject: Approval of, and Authorization for the Human Services Agency Director to Sign, Five Contracts Effective July 1, 2023, in a Combined Amount of \$3,937,635, with Various Entities for a Variety of Social Services; and Authorization for the Human Services Agency Director to Approve and Sign Limited Contract Modifications, Subject to Certain Conditions.

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Recommendations:

1. Approve, and authorize the Human Services Agency (HSA) Director, or designee, to sign, five contracts effective July 1, 2023, in a combined amount of \$3,937,635, with various entities as identified below for the provision of a variety of social services that support HSA programs, as set forth in the Contracts Summary (Exhibit 1.)
2. Authorize the HSA Director, or designee, to approve and sign limited contract modifications to (a) decrease, or increase up to ten percent, the amount of four contracts, (b) decrease, or increase up to an additional \$262,926 the amount of the contract with Goodwill Industries, should additional funding be received from the grantor, (c) extend the time for performance not to exceed a cumulative six-month period, or in the case of a grant funded program to the length that matches the grantor's extension, and (d) approve corrections, clarifications, technical changes and budget modifications to each contract, when the changes are consistent with the original purpose of the contract, subject to County Executive Office and County Counsel review and approval.

Fiscal/Mandates Impact:

Mandatory:	No
Source of Funding:	Federal, State, County General Fund, Private donation (Trust # N886/786D)
Funding Match Required:	Yes, identified below as Net County Cost
Impact on Other Departments:	GSA Parks Department

Summary of Revenue and Total Costs:

	<u>FY 2022-23</u>	<u>FY 2023-24</u>
Revenue:		
Direct	\$0	\$1,020,683
Total Revenue	\$0	\$1,020,683
Costs:		
Direct	\$0	\$1,565,156
Indirect	\$0	Minimal
Total Costs	\$0	\$1,565,156
Net County Cost	\$0	\$544,473

New Contracts

Contract Vendor – Program	Contract Amount	Source of Funding	Net County Cost	Budget Unit
1. Goodwill Industries of Ventura and Santa Barbara Counties – 2023 Severe Winter Storms Disaster Recovery National Dislocated Worker Grant	\$268,877	Federal (CFDA 17.277)	\$0	3450
2. Managed Career Solutions – Disability Employment Works	\$430,000	Federal (CFDA 17.258)	\$0	3450
3. Managed Career Solutions – Prison to Employment (P2E) 2.0	\$200,000	State	\$0	3450
4. AidKit – Foster Youth Transitional Stipend Pilot	\$2,828,758	State, County General Fund, Private donation	\$1,392,300	3413
5. James Storehouse – Foster Youth Transitional Stipend Pilot	\$210,000	State, County General Fund	\$105,000	3413
Total New Contracts:	\$3,937,635		\$1,497,300	
FY 2023-24:	\$1,565,156		\$544,473	
FY 2024-25:	\$1,503,727		\$544,473	
FY 2025-26:	\$868,752		\$408,354	

Sufficient revenue and appropriations are included in HSA's Preliminary Budget for FY 2023-24. Except where indicated by Net County Cost, full reimbursement will be made to the County from the various funding streams. The total amount of these contracts will not exceed \$3,937,635, with a Net County Cost of \$1,497,300. Approximately half of the funding for the Foster Youth Transitional Stipend Pilot will be from the General Fund as previously approved by your Board after the County's 18-month process that was finalized on October 11, 2022, and December 13, 2022, and that completed the County's funding strategy for the State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF) made available through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA). The Foster Youth Transitional Stipend Pilot also includes a small portion of private, unrestricted funding received by HSA in 2021.

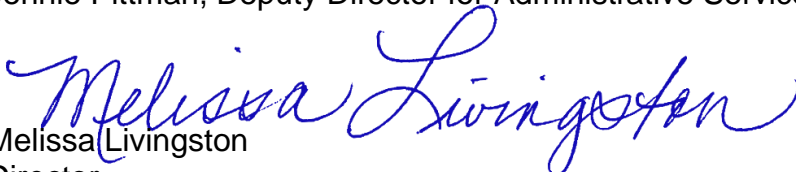
Discussion:

Each year, HSA contracts with a variety of entities (e.g., community-based organizations, colleges, etc.) for the provision of a wide range of human services to assist in meeting the needs of various target populations served by HSA. The five contracts listed above are summarized in Exhibit 1 and are being established as new programs as the result of successful bidding and recent grant awards. Three of the contracts support workforce development to aid unemployed or underemployed workers, persons with disabilities and those who are justice-involved or formerly incarcerated to develop career skills and secure employment, and two of the contracts support young adults with low incomes who have recently exited the extended foster care system.

In recommendation #2 above, HSA requests authority for the HSA Director to increase the contract with Goodwill Industries should additional funding be received from the grantor. The 2023 Severe Winter Storms Disaster Recovery National Dislocated Worker Grant (NDWG) was issued subsequent to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) disaster declaration related to the severe winter storms of December 2022 and January 2023 that affected 44 California counties, including Ventura. The intent of NDWG projects is to reemploy laid off workers who were affected by the disaster by providing them with temporary jobs to clean-up and repair public lands impacted by the disaster. NDWG grants are distributed incrementally, thus additional funding of \$342,247 for the NDWG project (Exhibit 3) is expected within the fiscal year. Should the additional funding be received, with your Board's approval, the contract with Goodwill Industries will be increased up to an additional \$262,926 to provide workers with temporary jobs.

We ask that your Board approve these five contracts. We also ask your Board to delegate authority to the HSA Director, or designee, to modify the contracts within the parameters described in recommendation two. All contracts have been reviewed to ensure that the services to be provided will not replace nor reassign the work of existing County employees.

This item has been reviewed by the County Executive Office, the Auditor-Controller's Office, and County Counsel. If you have any questions, please contact me at 805-477-5301, or Jennie Pittman, Deputy Director for Administrative Services, at 805-477-5340.


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Director

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Attachments:

Exhibit 1 – FY 2023-24 HSA Contracts Summary

Exhibit 2 – Goodwill – 2023 Severe Winter Storms Disaster Recovery National Dislocated
Worker Grant

Exhibit 3 – Managed Career Solutions – Disability Employment Works

Exhibit 4 – Managed Career Solutions – Prison To Employment (P2E) 2.0

Exhibit 5 – AidKit – Foster Youth Transitional Stipend Pilot

Exhibit 6 – James Storehouse – Foster Youth Transitional Stipend Pilot