



COMMISSIONERS COURT COMMUNICATION

REFERENCE NUMBER _____

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DATE: 11/21/2023

SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2024 CONTRACT BETWEEN TARRANT COUNTY AND MHMR OF TARRANT COUNTY FOR THE PROVISION OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH/INTELLECTUAL DISABILITY SERVICES THROUGH THE TARRANT COUNTY LAW LIAISON PROGRAM

***** CONSENT AGENDA *****

COMMISSIONERS COURT ACTION REQUESTED

It is requested that the Commissioners Court approve a contract between Tarrant County and MHMR of Tarrant County (MHMRTC) for delivery of behavioral health/intellectual disability services through the Law Liaison Program appropriated in the FY 2024 General Fund budget.

BACKGROUND

This contract renewal will provide behavioral health/intellectual disability services through the Law Liaison Program in Tarrant County. The program provides behavioral health/intellectual disability services through the auspices of MHMRTC to administer a jail diversion program for people with mental impairments. The mental health liaison team consists of mental health/law enforcement liaison officers. The goal of the mental health liaison team is to enhance coordination between law enforcement and mental health agencies to prevent the inappropriate incarceration of persons with mental impairments and encourage participation in treatment services.

This contract is for the use of FY 2024 General Fund appropriations for one (1) program director position, one (1) direct care team lead position, and five (5) direct care positions. Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) funds are also used to support this program under separate contracts for each grant funding period.

The term of this contract is October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024. The contract amount is \$521,827.00 from the FY 2024 General Fund and considering an additional \$77,434.00 of Medicaid administrative claiming funds, the total program budget will be \$599,261.00. The funds will be used for operating expenses such as personnel, benefits, staff travel, office supplies, information systems, staff training and office leases.

The Criminal District Attorney's Office has reviewed this contract as to form.

FISCAL IMPACT

The FY 2024 General Fund budget includes the \$521,827.00 funds in account 569016/10000-2024/1140100000.

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