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**SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2024 CONTRACT BETWEEN
TARRANT COUNTY AND MY HEALTH MY RESOURCES OF
TARRANT COUNTY TO PROVIDE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES
TO INMATES IN THE TARRANT COUNTY JAIL SYSTEM**

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

COMMISSIONERS COURT ACTION REQUESTED

It is requested that the Commissioners Court approve the FY 2024 contract between Tarrant County and My Health My Resources of Tarrant County (MHMRTC) to provide mental health services to inmates in the Tarrant County Jail System.

BACKGROUND

This contract provides behavioral health and intellectual disability services to inmates in the Tarrant County jail system through the auspices of MHMRTC. The program began in April 1990 to identify mentally ill inmates in the Tarrant County jail system. After identification, the program staff works to divert the individual from the criminal justice system into an alternative program more suited to the individual's needs. The services performed include screening and evaluation, recommendations for psychiatric treatment needs, psychiatric evaluation, counseling and therapeutic support, court liaison services, competency hearings, case management for pre-trial release plans, and referral to community support services for housing or financial assistance.

On November 22, 2022, the Commissioners Court, through Court Order #139738, approved the FY 2023 contract with MHMRTC in an amount not to exceed \$7,066,447.00. The term of this contract was from September 1, 2022 through August 31, 2023.

With approval, MHMRTC will continue to provide the above-mentioned services to inmates in the Tarrant County jail system. This contract is between Tarrant County, the Tarrant County Sheriff's Office and MHMRTC and provides funding not to exceed \$7,921,459.00. The additional \$855,012.00 in funding for FY 2024 reflects increases in costs for positions, health insurance, contract services, the indirect cost rate, and shift differentials. The Tarrant County Hospital District provides funds to the County under a separate agreement for this purpose. This contract does not include the cost for the Sheriff to provide services and resources to support the program.

The term of this contract is September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2024.

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

SUBMITTED BY:	Administrator's Office	PREPARED BY: APPROVED BY:	Maegan P. South
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FISCAL IMPACT

This contract is between Tarrant County, the Tarrant County Sheriff and MHMRTC and provides up to \$7,921,459.00 to MHMRTC for providing the services outlined above. Funding is available in accounts 10000-2024 General Fund/2120910000 Sheriff Confinement/566021 MHMR and T8500-2024 Opioid Settlement Fund/2120910000 Sheriff Confinement/566021 MHMR.

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