

**COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
TUESDAY, JUNE 09, 2026**

MINUTE ORDER NO. 7

**SUBJECT: AUTHORIZE COMPETITIVE AND SINGLE SOURCE BEHAVIORAL
HEALTH SERVICES PROCUREMENTS, AGREEMENT WITH THE
REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA FOR COMMUNITY
PSYCHIATRY RESIDENCY PROGRAM, AND AMENDMENT TO EXTEND
AN EXISTING BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES CONTRACT
(DISTRICTS: ALL)**

OVERVIEW

The County of San Diego (County) Behavioral Health Services provides a comprehensive array of mental health and substance use services to people of all ages. These services are delivered through County-operated programs and contracts with community service providers and coordinated services are supported through review of electronic health record data and data archives. These services support some of the region's most vulnerable populations, including individuals who are experiencing homelessness, individuals with justice involvement, and children and youth with complex behavioral health conditions.

Today's action requests the San Diego County Board of Supervisors (Board) authorize competitive and single source behavioral health services procurements. Additionally, today's action requests the Board authorize an agreement with the Regents of the University of California for a Community Psychiatry Residency Program and extend an existing behavioral health services contract. This item supports the continuation of critical work to advance the behavioral health continuum of care throughout San Diego County. In doing so, these actions advance the County vision of a just, sustainable, and resilient future for all, specifically those communities and populations in San Diego County that have been historically left behind, as well as our ongoing commitment to the regional *Live Well San Diego* vision of healthy, safe, and thriving communities. This will be accomplished by upholding practices that align with community priorities and improving transparency and trust while maintaining strong fiscal management.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

1. In accordance with Section 401, Article XXIII of the County Administrative Code, authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting, to issue Competitive Solicitations for each of the behavioral health services listed below, and upon successful negotiations and determination of a fair and reasonable price, award contracts for an Initial Term of up to one year, with four 1-year Options, and up to an additional six months, if needed; and to amend the contracts to reflect changes in program, funding or service requirements, subject to the availability of funds and the approval of the Director, Behavioral Health Services.
 - a. Acute Psychiatric Inpatient Services for Children and Adolescents
 - b. Adult Transitional Rehabilitative Services
 - c. Biopsychosocial Rehabilitation Services
 - d. Center for Child and Youth Psychiatry
 - e. Crisis Residential Treatment Services
 - f. Foster Family Agency Stabilization and Treatment

- g. Full-Service Partnership Intensive Case Management
 - h. Our Safe Place - Outpatient Specialty Mental Health Services for LGBTQ+ Youth and Young Adults
 - i. Para Las Familias - Outpatient Specialty Mental Health Services focused on Children ages 0-5 and their caregivers
 - j. Perinatal Outpatient Substance Use Disorder
 - k. Substance Use Residential Treatment Program
2. In accordance with Section 401, Article XXIII of the County Administrative Code, authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting, to issue Competitive Solicitations for the North Inland and North Coastal Crisis Stabilization Units, and upon successful negotiations and determination of a fair and reasonable price, award contracts for an Initial Term of up to one year, with six 1-year Options, and up to an additional six months, if needed; and to amend the contracts to reflect changes in program, funding or service requirements, subject to the availability of funds and the approval of the Director, Behavioral Health Services.
 3. In accordance with Board Policy A-87, Competitive Procurement, authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting, to enter into negotiations with the organizations listed below, and subject to successful negotiations and determination of a fair and reasonable price, award contracts for School-Based Outpatient Behavioral Health Services for an Initial Term of up to one year, with four 1-year Options, and up to an additional six months, if needed; and to amend the contracts to reflect changes in program, funding or service requirements, subject to the availability of funds and the approval of the Director, Behavioral Health Services.
 - Community Research Foundation
 - Family Health Centers of San Diego, Inc.
 - Mental Health Systems, Inc. (*dba* TURN)
 - New Alternatives, Inc.
 - North County Lifeline, Inc.
 - Palomar Family Counseling Services, Inc.
 - Pathways Community Services, LLC
 - Rady Children's Hospital
 - San Diego Center for Children
 - San Diego Unified School District
 - San Diego Youth Services
 - SBCS Corporation
 - Sweetwater Union High School District
 - Union of Pan Asian Communities
 - Vista Hill Foundation
 - YMCA of San Diego County
 4. In accordance with Board Policy A-87, Competitive Procurement, Procedure § 2.A.2 (Educational Services), authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting to enter into negotiations with The Regents of the University of California and, subject to successful negotiations and a determination of a fair and reasonable price, award a contract for the Community Psychiatry Residency Program for an Initial Term of up to one year, with four 1-year Options, and up to an additional six months if needed, and to amend the contracts as needed to reflect changes to requirements and funding, subject to the approval of the Director, Behavioral Health Services.

5. In accordance with Board Policy A-87, Competitive Procurement, and Administrative Code Section 401, authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting, to amend and extend contract #566652 with Alpha Project for the Homeless for Tenant Housing Support and Housing Navigation Services through June 30, 2027, and up to an additional six months, if needed, subject to the availability of funds; and to amend the contract as required to reflect changes to services and funding allocations, subject to the approval of the Director, Behavioral Health Services.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The County of San Diego (County) Behavioral Health Services (BHS) serves as the specialty mental health plan for Medi-Cal eligible residents within San Diego County who are experiencing serious mental illness (SMI) or serious emotional disturbance. BHS is also the service delivery system for Medi-Cal eligible residents with substance use care needs. In 2025, approximately one in five San Diego residents were eligible for Medi-Cal, with Hispanic and Latino residents having the highest percentage of Medi-Cal eligibility at 44%.

For these Medi-Cal eligible residents who experience SMI or have a substance use care need, BHS offers County-operated and contracted programs that address the social determinants of health by being accessible, capable of meeting the needs of diverse populations, and culturally responsive, with the intent to equitably distribute services in areas most in need. In doing so, BHS strives to reduce behavioral health inequities, identifying needs and designing services in a most impactful and equitable manner, with the goal of yielding meaningful outcomes for those served. A comprehensive array of behavioral health services is vital for BHS to continue providing access to treatment and care for populations who are underserved by social and behavioral health resources.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Today's action supports the County of San Diego (County) Sustainability Goal #2 to provide just and equitable access to County services and Sustainability Goal #4 to protect the health and well-being of everyone in the region. These goals will be accomplished by providing a wider availability and range of supportive, inclusive, and stigma-free options to those in need of behavioral health services. Access to a comprehensive continuum of behavioral health services will improve the overall health of communities.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for these requests are included in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2026-28 CAO Recommended Operational Plan in the Health and Human Services Agency. If approved, today's recommendations will result in approximate costs and revenue of \$ 4.8 million in FY 2026-27 and approximate costs and revenue of \$175.2 million in FY 2027-28. These costs will be incorporated into future Operational Plans. There will be no change in net General Fund costs and no additional staff years.

Recommendation #1 & 2: Authorize Competitive Procurements

If approved, this request will result in estimated costs and revenue of \$3.1 million in FY 2026-27. The anticipated funding sources are \$0.4 million from Realignment, \$0.7 million from Substance Use Block Grant (SUBG), and \$2 million from Drug Medi-Cal. In addition, estimated costs and revenue of \$120.8 million in FY 2027-28. The anticipated funding sources are \$45.7 million from Behavioral Health Services Act (BHSA), \$28.4 million from Realignment, \$35.2 million from Short-Doyle Medi-Cal, \$0.9 million from SUBG, and \$10.6 million from Drug Medi-Cal. There will be no change in net General Fund costs and no additional staff years.

Recommendation #3: Authorize Single Source Procurements

If approved, this request will result in no costs and revenue in FY 2026-27 and estimated costs and revenue of \$50 million in FY 2027-28. The anticipated funding sources are \$25 million from BHSA and \$25 million from Short Doyle Medi-Cal. There will be no change in net General Fund costs and no additional staff years.

Recommendation #4: Authorize an Agreement with The Regents of the University of California for Community Psychiatry Residency Program

If approved, this request will result in no costs and revenue in FY 2026-27 and estimated costs and revenue of \$4.4 million in FY 2027-28. The anticipated funding source is \$4.4 million from BHSA. There will be no change in net General Fund costs and no additional staff years.

Recommendation #5: Authorize an Amendment to Extend Tenant Housing Support and Housing Navigation Services with Alpha Project for the Homeless (Contract # 566652)

If approved, this request will result in an estimated costs and revenue of \$1.7 million in FY 2026-27. The anticipated funding source is \$1.7 million from Realignment. There will be no change in net General Fund costs and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, seconded by Supervisor Desmond, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent.

AYES: Aguirre, Anderson, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond

ABSENT: Lawson-Remer

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County of San Diego) §

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of the Original entered in the Minutes of the Board of Supervisors.

ANDREW POTTER

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors



Signed

by Andrew Potter

