



CITY OF MENIFEE

SUBJECT: Memorandum of Understanding with County of Riverside, Riverside University Health System - Behavioral Health for Homeless Outreach Services for Fiscal Years 2023-2028

MEETING DATE: June 21, 2023

TO: Mayor and City Council

PREPARED BY: Christine Booker, Budgets & Grants Analyst

REVIEWED BY: Pat Walsh, Police Chief

APPROVED BY: Armando G. Villa, City Manager

RECOMMENDED ACTION

1. Approve the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with County of Riverside, Riverside University Health System- Behavioral Health (RUHS-BH) for Homeless Outreach Services, in the not-to-exceed amount of \$900,000 for Fiscal Years 2023-2028; and
2. Authorize the City Manager to approve change orders to the Purchase Order(s) to supplant general funds with grant funding as it becomes available.

DISCUSSION

The Menifee Police Department (PD) is continuing its partnership with Riverside University Health Services (RUHS) to provide homeless outreach services. This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) would be facilitated by one full time Behavioral Health Specialist II (BHSII) and one full time Behavioral Health Specialist III (BHSIII). The RUHS staff will work in conjuncture with the Menifee PD's Community Based Assessment Team (CBAT), and Homeless Liaison (HLO), and work out of the Menifee PD main station for 80 hours per week. Menifee PD will fund 60% of the BHSII and the BHSIII, and the remaining 40% will be funded by RUHS.

This partnership would strive to provide alternatives to those at risk of injury or death without appropriate mental health/substance use homeless services provided directly in the community in collaboration with local law enforcement. They will seek to engage hard to reach homeless who suffer from a serious mental illness and/or substance use disorder and link them to all available community resources in a coordinated and effective manner and collaborate with community agencies and provide immediate access to treatment and emergency shelter. This partnership also seeks to reduce jail incarcerations and involuntary behavioral health

treatment/hospitalizations for individuals whose behavior is influenced by a mental health disorder/crisis and who are the subject of 9-1-1 calls.

By establishing this mutually beneficial team, the City of Menifee would benefit from the direct knowledge and experience of the Behavioral Health Specialist II and III regarding mental health and homeless resources.

This MOU would be in place from July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2028.

STRATEGIC PLAN OBJECTIVE

Safe and Vibrant Community

FISCAL IMPACT

The fiscal impact of the MOU is \$900,000. Table 1 below shows the funding breakdown per fiscal year. There are future fiscal year impacts associated with the approval of the agreement proposed above. Funding for the next two years for the proposed agreement will be funded from available funds within the proposed Fiscal Year (FY) 2023/2024 and FY 2024/2025 Budget, under Account No. 100-4911-52800 (Professional Services). Funding for future years will be incorporated into respective budgets.

If grant funding becomes available that will supplant general funds and be utilized first. No additional budget appropriation action(s) is required.

Table 1.

Fiscal Year	Contract Amount
FY 2023/2024	\$180,000
FY 2024/2025	\$180,000
FY 2025/2026	\$180,000
FY 2026/2027	\$180,000
FY 2027/2028	\$180,000
TOTAL	\$900,000

ATTACHMENTS

1. MOU- RUHS- Homeless Outreach FY 2023-2028
2. RUHS Exhibit A
3. RUHS Exhibit B
4. RUHS Exhibit C