

# Health & Human Services Agency COUNTY OF TULARE AGENDA ITEM

#### **BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

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Public Hearing Required Scheduled Public Hearing w/Clerk Published Notice Required Advertised Published Notice Meet & Confer Required Electronic file(s) has been sent Budget Transfer (Aud 308) attached Personnel Resolution attached Agreements are attached and signature tab(s)/flag(s)	Yes	N/A ⊠ N/A ⊠ N/A ⊠ N/A ⊠ N/A ⊠ N/A □ N/A □ N/A ⊠ N/A ⊠ N/A ⊠ rman is marked with
CONTACT PERSON: Donna Ortiz PHONE: 624-8000		

SUBJECT:

Approve a Memorandum of Understanding with Housing Authority of

Tulare County and TMHSA Housing, Inc.

### REQUEST(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

- 1. Approve a Memorandum of Understanding with the Housing Authority of Tulare County and TMHSA Housing Inc. effective November 5, 2019 pertaining to the provision of supportive permanent housing for the mentally ill and outlining the parties' roles and responsibilities; and
- 2. Authorize the Chairman of the Board to sign two (2) copies of the agreement.

#### **SUMMARY:**

The Tulare County Health & Human Services Agency (HHSA), Mental Health Branch is charged with the provision of mental health services to Tulare County residents. The Housing Authority of Tulare County (HATC) provides affordable lower income housing for Tulare County, including special needs clients with mental illness. Since 1981, HHSA and HATC have been operating facilities in Tulare County for the mentally ill in a cooperative and productive fashion to benefit county residents. In 2011 TMHSA Housing Inc., a nonprofit corporation, was formed to own Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) developments purchased with funds under the MHSA on behalf of Tulare County residents.

On January 26, 2016 the Tulare County Board of Supervisors approved Agreement No. 27498 authorizing the approval of a Memorandum of Understanding between the County and TMHSA for the initial phase of the development of the permanent supportive housing sites in Tulare and Porterville. Subsequently, Agreement No.

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28857 was approved on September 25, 2018 by the Board of Supervisors, which authorized additional funding to finalize purchase of the supportive housing developments.

Construction of these developments was completed in 2019 and provides shared occupancy housing for persons that meet program qualifications. Program guidelines are defined under the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) and are designed for persons with serious mental illness who are homeless or at risk of homelessness. These developments will provide an additional 36 permanent supportive housing beds for residents of Tulare County with serious mental illness.

The Mental Health Branch, HATC, and TMHSA, Inc. are requesting to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to develop a partnership for the provision and management of supportive permanent housing for the mentally ill in Tulare County at three sites (Visalia, Tulare, and Porterville). The MOU outlines the specific roles and responsibilities for all permanent supportive housing sites owned, managed and operated by the parties.

The following terms substantially deviate from County boilerplate: 1) The parties agree to mutually indemnify each other.

#### FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

There are no dollars associated with this MOU. This MOU outlines the parties roles and responsibilities only. There is no net County cost to the General Fund.

#### LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF TULARE STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN:

The County's five-year plan includes the Quality of Life initiative to promote and encourage the provision of quality supportive services for individuals in Tulare County. This program will provide permanent supportive housing to 58 Tulare County residents.

ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:

Donna Ortiz

**Director of Mental Health** 

cc: County Administrative Office

Attachment(s) MOU

## BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF TULARE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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UPON MOTION OF SUPERVISO	OR, SECONDED BY
SUPERVISOR	_, THE FOLLOWING WAS ADOPTED BY THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AT AN O	FFICIAL MEETING HELD
, BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:	
AYES: NOES: ABSTAIN: ABSENT:	
ATTEST:	JASON T. BRITT COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER/ CLERK, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
BY:	Deputy Clerk
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