



# Health & Human Services Agency COUNTY OF TULARE AGENDA ITEM

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**AGENDA DATE:** June 21, 2011

Public Hearing Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>
Scheduled Public Hearing w/Clerk	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Published Notice Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>
Advertised Published Notice	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Meet & Confer Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>
Electronic file(s) has been sent	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>
Budget Transfer (Aud 308) attached	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Personnel Resolution attached	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Resolution, Ordinance or Agreements are attached and signature line for Chairman is marked with tab(s)/flag(s)	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>

CONTACT PERSON: Christi Lupkes      PHONE: 624-8000

**SUBJECT:** Approval of amendment to Agreement No. 24435 with United Way of Tulare County, Inc.

**REQUEST(S):**

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve an amendment to Agreement No. 24435 with United Way of Tulare County, Inc. in the amount of \$163,800 to extend the term of the agreement to June 30, 2012 to continue providing a referral system under the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Prevention and Early Intervention (PEI) Program; and
2. Authorize the Chairman of the Board to sign three (3) copies of the amendment.

**SUMMARY:**

California voters approved Proposition 63, the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA), in November 2004. MHSA provides the opportunity for the State Department of Mental Health to provide increased funding, personnel, and other resources to support county mental health programs and monitor progress toward statewide goals for children and youth, adults, older adults, and families. MHSA consists of the following five components: Community Support & Services (CSS), Prevention & Early Intervention (PEI), Workforce Education & Training (WET), Capital Facilities & Technology (CFT), and Housing & Innovation (INN). The PEI component addresses a broad continuum of prevention, early intervention, and service needs,

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and the necessary infrastructure, technology, and training elements to effectively support the system.

The Tulare County MHSA Prevention and Early Intervention Three-Year Program and Expenditure Plan (Plan) was approved by State Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission (MHSOAC) on June 1, 2009. Prevention programs bring mental health awareness to the community through public education initiatives and dialogue. To facilitate accessing supports at the earliest possible signs of mental health problems and concerns, PEI builds capacity for providing mental health early intervention services at sites where people might go for other services or activities (e.g., schools, Family Resource Centers).

Project 5 of the Plan includes the 211 Referral System in response to stakeholder input during the planning process; access to information and referral to services was a major topic throughout the community planning process. Community members addressed a need for quick, language relevant, and accurate information.

The 211 Telephone Referral System is an easy-to-remember and readily accessible line to direct the public to available services during times of duress, family or personal crisis, and public emergencies. The goals of the 211 Referral System include: 1) the provision of 24-hour, 7-day-a-week free access to information and referrals for government services, community-based organizations, and service providers; 2) increased access to services for un/underserved populations by reducing language barriers, increasing access, and avoiding stigma associated with contacting service providers directly; and, 3) increase regional integration of services by creating ties with a neighboring county.

Through Agreement No. 24435, United Way of Tulare County provides an access line for the 211 Referral System that is available twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week to direct callers to available services; this line is provided with TDD/TTY access for people with hearing impairments and has language translation services for inquirers who speak Spanish, and other languages as needed.

It is estimated that 9,600 callers will be served annually through this agreement.

**FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:**

The total funding for this Agreement is \$163,800 and will be included in the Fiscal Year 2011/2012 proposed budget. All funds are paid through Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) PEI revenues. No Net County Cost.

**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. The MHSA PEI programs contribute to that initiative by providing mental

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health services to otherwise underserved and unserved individuals in Tulare County.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

The Board could choose to take no action; however, selection of this alternative is not recommended. Tulare County consumers of mental health services will benefit from the provision of these services funded by the Mental Health Services Act.

**INVOLVEMENT OF OTHER DEPARTMENTS OR AGENCIES:**

Tulare County Mental Health Board and County Counsel.

**ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:**

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Cheryl L. Duerksen, Ph.D.  
Director of Mental Health

Cc: Auditor/Controller  
County Counsel  
County Administrative Office (3)

Amendment

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

<b>IN THE MATTER OF:</b>	)	
Approval of amendment to Agreement	)	<b>RESOLUTION NO.</b> _____
No. 24435 with United Way of Tulare	)	<b>AGREEMENT NO.</b> _____
County Inc.	)	

UPON MOTION OF SUPERVISOR \_\_\_\_\_,      SECONDED      BY  
SUPERVISOR \_\_\_\_\_, THE FOLLOWING WAS ADOPTED BY THE  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AT AN OFFICIAL MEETING HELD \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_, BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES:  
NOES:  
ABSTAIN:  
ABSENT:

ATTEST:    JEAN M. ROUSSEAU  
                 COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER/  
                 CLERK, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
                 Deputy Clerk

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