

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

948



FROM: Department of Mental Health

SUBMITTAL DATE:

MARCH 23, 2009

SUBJECT: Approve the new contract with Jefferson Transitional Programs for Coachella Valley Safehaven and Permanent Supportive Housing.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move that the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve the fifteen (15) month contract between Jefferson Transitional Programs and the Department of Mental Health (DOMH) for the operation of the Coachella Valley Safehaven and Supportive Housing Program from April 1, 2009 thru June 30, 2010;
2. Authorize the Chairman of the Board to sign this Agreement;
3. Authorize the County Purchasing Agent to increase and decrease this agreement for an amount not to exceed 10% of the approved agreement amount of \$737,077; and
4. Authorize the County Purchasing Agent to sign ministerial amendments for this agreement, and to annually renew this agreement after June 30, 2010 through June 30, 2015.

BACKGROUND: On November 25, 2008, the Riverside County Purchasing Department, on behalf of the Department of Mental Health, issued Request for Proposal (RFP) #MHARC0-044 in order to obtain qualified bids from organizations to operate the Coachella Valley Safehaven & Permanent Supportive Housing Program.

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JW:LS

Jerry Wengerd

 Jerry Wengerd, Director
 Department of Mental Health

FINANCIAL DATA

Current F.Y. Total Cost:	\$187,381	In Current Year Budget:	Yes
Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	\$ 0	Budget Adjustment:	No
Annual Net County Cost:	\$ 0	For Fiscal Year:	08/09 & 09/10

SOURCE OF FUNDS: 98.44% Federal, 1.56% MHS

Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30	<input type="checkbox"/>
Requires 4/5 Vote	<input type="checkbox"/>

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE

County Executive Office Signature

BY: *Debra Cournoyer*
 Debra Cournoyer

ATTACHMENTS FILED WITH THE CLERK OF THE BOARD

District: 4th & 5th Agenda Number:

3.29

FORM APPROVED COUNTY COUNSEL
 BY: *Larisa R-Mckenna*
 LARISA R-MCKENNA
 DATE: 3/23/09

Purchasing: *Mark Seiler*
 Mark Seiler, Assistant Director

Policy Policy
 Consent Consent

Dept's Recomm.:
 Per Exec. Ofc.:

SUBJECT: Approve the new contract with Jefferson Transitional Programs for Coachella Valley Safehaven and Permanent Supportive Housing.

BACKGROUND: (continued)

The RFP was sent to eight (8) organizations and was also advertised on the County's website. However, due to the lack of competitive bids received, it was necessary for the County Purchasing Agent, on behalf of the DOMH, to re-issue the RFP under RFP #MHARC-044B. Subsequently, two proposals were received under the re-issued RFP.

After careful review, the Evaluation Committee for the Coachella Valley Safehaven and Permanent Supportive Housing Program RFP determined Jefferson Transitional Programs (JTP) to be the lowest responsive and reasonable bidder for the desired services. The contract for these services is part of a subcontract to the HUD Safehaven Supportive Housing Project between the Department of Mental Health (DOMH) and the Department of Public Social Services (DPSS).

Jefferson Transitional Programs (JTP) will operate the Coachella Valley Safehaven and Permanent Supportive Housing Program. This facility operates 24 hours a day, seven (7) days a week, 365 days a year (24/7/365), and will provide a drop-in center for persons who have been chronically homeless, as defined by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), and also have serious mental health disorders. Those persons successfully engaged in accepting housing will be provided access to on-site semi-private permanent housing (maximum 25 bed capacity) options and linked to intensive integrated mental health full service programs. As authorized by Title IV, Subtitle C, of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act of 1987 the goal of these services are meant to engage the "hardest to reach" homeless in an effort to try to attempt to develop a relationship that will ultimately lead to them accessing services and supports.

The Coachella Valley Safehaven and Permanent Supportive Housing Program will be located at 19351 Mc Lane Street in Palm Springs. Due to the complex needs of the target population and their resistance to homeless services, a comprehensive and flexible array of specialized services and related supportive efforts will be provided by Jefferson Transitional Program and will be readily available to assist them. The program will serve as a portal of entry for severely mentally ill, homeless individuals to move into the area's continuum of care. Residential and non-residential services will be provided using a non-intrusive, low demand approach. The program goal will be to re-engage the homeless population with needed treatment and services.

PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE:

The initial agreement with JTP will be for fifteen (15) months with the option for the County Purchasing Agent to renew annually for five (5) years thereafter. The contract contains termination provision in the event of the unavailability of any Federal, State and/or County funds.

FINANCIAL DATA:

The total contract amount for this fifteen (15) month agreement is \$737,077. For FY 08/09 JTP has been allotted \$187,381 and for FY 09/10 JTP has been allotted \$549,696. The contract is funded primarily with HUD funds; and MHSA funds will be used as a secondary source of funding in order to cover some operations costs. No additional County funds are required.

PRICE REASONABLENESS:

Both bidders proposed that they would be able to operate the program within the established budget parameters. However, Jefferson Transitional Programs (JTP) start-up costs came in below the other prospective bidder. Therefore, the Evaluation Committee and the DOMH determined that JTP's overall proposal was most reasonable, and in line with the costs that are necessary to equip and effectively run this type of program.