SUBMITTAL DATE: May 12, 2016

FROM: Department of Veterans' Services

**SUBJECT:** Authorize the Chairman of the Board to accept a grant from the California Department of Veterans Affairs (CDVA/CalVet) for the Riverside County Department of Veterans' Services for mental health outreach programs for veterans [Districts 1-5] [\$45,000, State 100%]

## **RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:**

1. Authorize the Chairman of the Board to accept a \$45,000 Mental Health Service Act (MHSA) Proposition 63 grant from the California Department of Veterans Affairs for the Riverside County Department of Veterans' Services for mental health outreach programs for veterans. The revenue is accounted for in the FY16/17 budget.

# BACKGROUND:

<u>Summary</u>

The passage of Proposition 63 Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) in November 2004 increased funding, personnel, and other resources to support county mental health programs and monitor progress toward state goals for servicing children, transition age youth, adults, older adults, veterans, and families with mental health needs. County Veterans Service Offices (CVSO) providing or enhancing their mental health outreach and services are authorized to apply.

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GRANT A. GAUTSCHE

Director

FINANCIAL DATA	Current Fiscal Year:	Next Fiscal Year:	Total Cost:	Ongoing Cost:	POLICY/CONSENT (per Exec. Office)
COST	\$ \$45,000	\$ 0	\$ \$45,000	\$ 0	Consent □ Policy ⊠
NET COUNTY COST	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	Consent L Policy M
SOURCE OF FUNDS: 100% Funded by California Department of Budget Adjustment:					ment:
Veterans Affairs (CDVA/CalVet)			For Fiscal Year	: FY 16/17	
C.E.O. RECOMME	NDATION:	APPROV	Æ		

County Executive Office Signature

Stephanie Persi

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA FORM 11: Authorize the Chairman of the Board to accept a grant from the California Department of Veterans Affairs (CDVA/CalVet) for the Riverside County Department of Veterans' Services for mental health outreach programs for veterans [Districts 1-5] [\$45,000, State 100%]

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#### **BACKGROUND:**

## **Summary (continued)**

Funding is restricted for use in supporting mental health outreach and treatment programs only and is not intended to cover overall agency expenses, major capital expenses, or other related expenses. Coordination of county and VA-wide mental health outreach services shall be conducted to improve veterans' access to mental health services, and minimize health stigma by assuring veterans receive appropriate physical and mental healthcare treatment referrals. Outreach and services should not be limited to only veterans of current conflicts.

Some service-related outcomes should include:

- Collaborate with community-based service providers and institutions of higher education.
- Enhance the access to mental and physical healthcare of veterans and their families.
- Reduce stigma and encourage those with mental health needs to seek help by adopting educational mental health programs for veterans and their families.
- Promote programs that encourage early intervention of mental health needs for veterans and their families.
- Provide information for mental health services for re-entry and transitioning incarcerated veterans to help ensure they have the necessary support needed to return to their communities.
- Provide homeless veterans with referrals to supportive housing programs that include mental health treatment services
- Reduce the eligibility and enrollment barriers by providing timely and effective referrals to service providers.

## Impact on Residents and Businesses

Additional funds will be used for mental health awareness/treatment programs for veterans.

ATTACHMENT:

**Grant Award Letter** 

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

VETERANS SERVICES DIVISION POST OFFICE BOX 942895 SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA 94295-0001 Telephone: (916) 653-2573 Fax: (916) 653-2563

May 2, 2016

Grant Gautsche, CVSO 4360 Orange Street Riverside, CA 92501

Dear Mr. Gautsche,

Congratulations, Riverside County has been awarded Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Proposition 63 funding for Fiscal Year (FY) 2016/2017. The award amount for Riverside County is \$45,000.

I want to give you an overview and timeline for the Proposition 63 awards as we move forward:

- 1. May 2016: Contract sent to counties for Board of Supervisor's approval.
- 2. **June 2016**: CalVet executes contract and notifies county First payment shall be made upon approval of the contract.
- 3. July 1, 2016: Contract Begins 07/01/2016 06/30/2017
- 4. October 31, 2016: 1st Quarter invoice/metrics due 1st qtr. (07/01/2016 09/30/2016)
- 5. **January 31, 2017**:  $2^{nd}$  Quarter invoice/metrics due  $-2^{nd}$  qtr. (10/01/2016 12/31/2016)
- 6. April 30, 2017:  $3^{rd}$  Quarter invoice/metrics due  $-3^{rd}$  qtr. (01/01/2016 03/31/2017)
- 7. July 31, 2017: 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter invoice/metrics (04/01/2016 06/30/2017) and Annual Progress Report (07/01/2016 06/30/2017) due. Counties must summarize information from the quarterly reports, describe the accomplishments of the project and describe next steps for implementing any plans for additional work identified during the funding period.

Congratulations again on your Proposition 63 award and thank you for Riverside County's support of California's Service Members, Veterans and their families.

Please don't hesitate to call Phillip Leggett, CalVet, Proposition 63 Contract Manager at 916-503-8327 if you have any questions or concerns. In the next few weeks he will be sending you information about invoicing and the required documentation and metrics you will need to submit for payment.

Sincerely,

KEITH BOYLAN

Deputy Secretary

Veterans Services Division