

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



**ITEM: 3.15
(ID # 30540)**

MEETING DATE:
Tuesday, June 09, 2026

FROM : PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES

SUBJECT: DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES (DPSS): Ratify and Approve Amendment No. 2 to the Professional Services Agreement No. DPSS-0005051 with Asante Agency for Counseling and Anger Management Services to increase the aggregate maximum reimbursable amount from \$1,179,000 by \$564,000 to \$1,743,000, effective February 1, 2026 through June 30, 2028; All Districts [Total Aggregate Cost: \$564,000; up to \$348,600 in additional compensation; 50% Federal, 50% Realignment Funds]

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Ratify and Approve Amendment No. 2 to the Professional Services Agreement No. DPSS-0005051 with Asante Agency for Counseling and Anger Management Services to increase the aggregate maximum reimbursable amount from \$1,179,000 by \$564,000 to \$1,743,000, effective February 1, 2026 through June 30, 2028; and authorize the Chair of the Board to sign the Agreement on behalf of the County; and,
2. Authorize the Purchasing Agent to issue a Purchase Order(s) for any goods and/or services rendered; and,
3. Authorize the Purchasing Agent, in accordance with Ordinance No. 459, and as approved to form by County Counsel to: (a) sign amendments that make modifications to the scope of work that stay within the intent of the agreement; and (b) sign amendments to the compensation provisions that do not exceed the sum total of twenty percent (20%) of the contract aggregate amount.

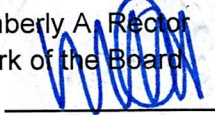
ACTION:Policy


Charity Douglas, DPSS Director 5/20/2026

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

On motion of Supervisor Medina, seconded by Supervisor Perez and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

Ayes: Medina, Spiegel, Washington, Perez, and Gutierrez
Nays: None
Absent: None
Date: June 9, 2026
xc: DPSS

Kimberly A. Rector
Clerk of the Board
By: 
Deputy

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FINANCIAL DATA	Current Fiscal Year:	Next Fiscal Year:	Total Cost:	Ongoing Cost
COST	\$188,000	\$188,000	\$564,000	\$ 0
NET COUNTY COST	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$ 0
SOURCE OF FUNDS: Federal 50 % Realignment 50%			Budget Adjustment:	No
			For Fiscal Year: 25/26 - 27/28	

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: Approve

BACKGROUND:

Summary

This amendment seeks to Ratify and Approve Amendment No.2 to the Professional Services Agreement DPSS-0005051 with Asante Agency for Counseling and Anger Management Services. The amendment increases the current maximum reimbursable amount (MRA) by \$564,000 to a total aggregate of \$1,743,000, effective February 1, 2026, through June 30, 2028.

The Counseling and Anger Management program delivers evidence-based, evidence-informed, and promising treatment interventions for parents/caregivers, children, and youth who are at risk or have been reported for maltreatment. Services are provided by trained professionals and include counseling and anger management strategies designed to equip families with essential skills for managing mental health and behavioral challenges.

The goal of this program is to improve child welfare outcomes by enhancing child safety, promoting permanency, and supporting overall family well-being. Increasing the MRA will ensure continued access to these critical services and allow for expanded capacity to meet growing demand.

Impact on Residents and Businesses

The Counseling and Anger Management Program provides essential support to individuals and families through a range of services, including individual, family, conjoint, and group counseling. These services align with the Department's objectives to reduce the recurrence of abuse and neglect in homes where children remain after an investigation and lower foster care entry and re-entry rates by strengthening family functioning and stability.

Expanding funding through this amendment will ensure the program maintains service quality and availability, ultimately improving outcomes for vulnerable children and families in our community.

Additional Fiscal Information:

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The total annual payments to CONTRACTOR shall not exceed:

FISCAL YEAR PERIOD	ANNUAL PAYMENT	INCREASE	AMENDED ANNUAL PAYMENT
Upon Execution through June 30, 2024	\$75,000	\$0.00	\$75,000
July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025	\$276,000	\$0.00	\$276,000
July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026	\$276,000	\$188,000	\$464,000
July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027	\$276,000	\$188,000	\$464,000
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Total	\$1,179,000	\$564,000	\$1,743,000

Contract History and Price Reasonableness

On October 17, 2022, Request for Proposal (RFP) #DPARC-0612 Counseling and Anger Management Services was released on the Public Purchase website. The bid closed on November 17, 2022, and three (3) proposals were received and deemed timely and responsive by the Purchasing Department for bid evaluation readiness. The Proposal Evaluation committee recommended to award ASANTE Family Agency, Inc. and MarSell Consulting & MHS for Counseling and Anger Management. A formal contract was approved by the Board of Supervisors (Item 3.44) on April 30, 2024, commencing an agreement with Asante Agency effective May 2, 2024.

The original joint Form 11 (Item 3.44) allocated additional compensation, most of the additional compensation was used by MarSell Consulting & MHS. Moving forward, this Board item will be processed using two separate Form 11's for ASANTE Family Agency, Inc. and MarSell Consulting & MHS. This Board approval applies only to ASANTE Family Agency, Inc. and is solely for increasing the contract's aggregate cost.

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment A: DPSS-0005051 Asante Agency COAM Services Amendment No.2

Melissa Curtis
 Melissa Curtis, Deputy Director of Purchasing and Fleet 5/28/2026

Stacey Pena
 Stacey Pena, EO Management Analyst 6/2/2026

Gregg Gu
 Gregg Gu, Chief of Deputy County Counsel 5/29/2026

**RIVERSIDE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES
RATIFICATION AND AMENDMENT No. 2
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH
ASANTE FAMILY AGENCY, INC
COUNSELING AND ANGER MANAGEMENT SERVICES**

AGREEMENT:	DPSS-0005051
PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE:	May 2, 2024 through June 30, 2028
EFFECTIVE DATE OF AMENDMENT:	February 1, 2026
ORIGINAL ANNUAL MAXIMUM REIMBURSABLE AMOUNT:	\$276,000
AMENDED ANNUAL MAXIMUM REIMBURSABLE AMOUNT:	\$464,000

This Ratification and Amendment No. 2 to the Original Agreement #DPSS-0005051 for Counseling and Anger Management services is made by and between the County of Riverside, a political subdivision of the State of California, on behalf of its Department of Public Social Services (hereinafter referred to as "COUNTY" and/or "DPSS") and ASANTE Family Agency Inc., a California nonprofit public benefit corporation, ("CONTRACTOR").

RECITALS

WHEREAS, COUNTY and CONTRACTOR previously entered into that certain Original Agreement DPSS-0005051, executed and effective May 2, 2024 through June 30, 2028 for Counseling and Anger Management Services (herein referred to as "Original Agreement"); and,

WHEREAS, COUNTY and CONTRACTOR previously entered into that certain Amendment No.1 to the Original Agreement to ratify and amend the Schedule A "The Group Anger Management Table" and Schedule B, "Scope of Services" to reflect current needs/practices; and,

WHEREAS, notwithstanding the terms of the Agreement, on February 1, 2026, the parties acknowledge and agree that they increased counseling and anger management services to meet the needs of clients and increased spending, without a written amendment; and

WHEREAS, DPSS and CONTRACTOR desire to ratify and amend the Agreement #DPSS-0005051 to increase the annual budget for FY 25/26 through FY 27/28, update definitions and revise the scope of work; and,

WHEREAS, Section 44, "MODIFICATION OF TERMS" allows for modification by written amendment signed by both parties;

NOW THEREFORE, COUNTY and CONTRACTOR agree to ratify and amend the Original Agreement according to the terms and in the manner set forth herein:

1. **Recitals.** The recitals set forth above are true and correct and incorporated herein by this reference.

2. **Ratification.** The parties acknowledge and agree that all actions taken by both COUNTY and CONTRACTOR prior to the date hereof were in compliance with, and pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Original Agreement and are hereby confirmed and ratified by way of execution of this Amendment No. 2.

3. **Add** Subsection “Y” to Section 1. “Definitions” and renumber subsequent sections:

“ Y. “OCYPS” refers to the Department of Public Social Services and its Administration Division’s Office of Children and Youth Program Support”

4. **Amend** Section 40 “CIVIL RIGHTS COMPLIANCE” Subsection B “Client Complaints” to be deleted and replaced with the following:

“CONTRACTOR shall further establish and maintain written referral procedures under which any person, applying for or receiving services hereunder, may seek resolution from Riverside County DPSS Civil Rights Coordinator of a complaint with respect to any alleged discrimination in the provision of services by CONTRACTOR's personnel. CONTRACTOR must distribute to social service clients that apply for and receive services, “Your Rights Under California Welfare Programs” brochure (Publication 13). For a copy of this brochure, visit the following website at:

<https://www.cdss.ca.gov/Portals/9/Additional-Resources/Forms-and-Brochures/2020/M-P/PUB13.pdf>

Civil Rights Complaints should refer to: Civil Rights Coordinator
Office of Civil Rights Compliance (OCRC)
Riverside County Department of Public Social Services 4060 County Circle Dr
Riverside, CA 92503
DPSSCivilRights@rivco.org”

5. **Amend** Schedule A, Payment Provisions, Section A.1 “MAXIMUM AMOUNTS- ANNUAL AND AGGREGATE TOTALS” to read as follows:

The total annual payments to CONTRACTOR shall not exceed:

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6. **Amend** Schedule A, Payment Provisions, Section A.3 “Method, Time, and Conditions of Payment” subsection D to read as follows:

“CONTRACTOR invoice estimates for May and June are due no later than the first Friday in June. Actual CONTRACTOR invoices for May and June are due no later than July 30.

7. **Amend** Schedule A, Payment Provisions, Section A.3 “Method, Time, and Conditions of Payment” subsection E to read as follows:

“If CONTRACTOR expends a combined annual total of \$1,000,000 in federal funds, CONTRACTOR shall ensure that an independent fiscal audit is done annually. In the event that an audit is conducted, CONTRACTOR shall immediately provide a copy of the audit to COUNTY.”

8. **Amend** Schedule B “Scope of Services” Section B.4 “Unit of Service Requirements” subsection A. “General Service Requirements” subsection 2. Subsection (a) subsection ii to read as follows:

“If after five (5) business days from initial referral, the Contractor has not made contact with the client, despite making two attempts, the Contractor must notify the referring SSP and copy the DPSS/OCYPS program liaison. After this point, the Contractor will not be required to make additional attempts to contact the client unless updated contact information is provided.”

9. **Amend** Schedule B “Scope of Services” Section B.7 “Evaluation and Reporting” subsection A to read as follows:

“CONTRACTOR must submit monthly reports to DPSS-DAT via the DPSS-CAFE SharePoint site and to the OCYPS liaison via the OCYPS SharePoint site no later than the 15th calendar day of the month following the month in which services were delivered. Reports must include total unduplicated counts of the following and reported by region:“

10. **Amend** Schedule B “Scope of Services” Section B.7 “Evaluation and Reporting” subsection B to read as follows:

“CONTRACTOR must submit monthly and quarterly reports to the OCYPS SharePoint site no later than the 15th calendar day of the month following the quarter in which services were delivered. Quarterly reports also must be presented at JOMs for discussion. Reports must include total unduplicated counts of the following and reported by region:”

11. **Delete** Schedule B “Scope of Services” Section B.7 “Evaluation and Reporting” subsection B, subsection 1, subsection (f) in its entirety.

12. **Amend** Schedule B “Scope of Services” Section B.7 “Evaluation and Reporting” subsection B, subsection 2 and subsequent subsections to read as follows:

“Anger Management (all counts sorted by Region)

- (a) Number of new referrals received for the month/quarter.
- (b) Total number of active anger management clients enrolled during the month/quarter.
- (c) Total number of new anger management clients enrolled during the month/quarter.
- (d) Number of clients to complete anger management group during the month/quarter.
- (e) Number of clients to drop-out of anger management group during the month/quarter.”

13. **Amend** Schedule B “Scope of Services” Section B.7 “Evaluation and Reporting” subsection C to read as follows:

“The Contractor must notify and submit in writing to the OCYPS liaison any changes of the service locations within 5 days in advance. Notification will consist of the following:”

14. **Amend** Attachment II “PII Privacy and Security Standards” Section IV “NOTIFICATION AND INVESTIGATION OF BREACHES AND SECURITY INCIDENTS” contact address to read as follows:

“DPSS Privacy Officer
Riverside County Department of Public Social Services
DESC/Employee Development Unit
10281 Kidd Street
Riverside, CA 92503
privacyincident@rivco.org”

15. **Signed in Counterparts.** This Amendment No. 2 may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which when executed shall constitute a duplicate original, but all counterparts together shall constitute a single agreement.
16. **Electronic Signatures.** Each party of this Amendment agrees to the use of electronic signatures, such as digital signatures that meet the requirements of the California Uniform Electronic Transactions Act ((.“CUETA”) Cal. Civ. Code §§ 1633.1 to 1633.17), for executing this Agreement. The parties further agree that the- electronic signature(s) included herein are intended to authenticate this writing and to have the same force and effect as manual signatures. Electronic signature means an electronic sound, symbol, or process attached to or logically associated with an electronic record and executed or adopted by a person with the intent to sign the electronic record pursuant to the CUETA as amended from time to time. Digital signature means an electronic identifier, created by computer, intended by the party using it to have the same force and effect as the use of a manual signature, and shall be reasonably relied upon by the parties. For purposes of this section, a digital signature is a type of "electronic signature" as defined in subdivision (i) of Section 1633.2 of the Civil Code.
17. **Miscellaneous.** All other terms and conditions of the Original Agreement not modified herein shall remain unchanged and in full force and effect.
18. **Effective Date.** This Ratification and Amendment No. 2 to the Original Agreement shall become effective February 1, 2026.

[Signature Page to Follow]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned authorized representatives of the parties have executed this Amendment No. 2 to the Original Agreement.

County of Riverside, a political
Subdivision of the state of California

Karen S. Spiegel

Karen Spiegel
Chair of the Board

06/09/2026

Date

ASANTE Family Agency, Inc., a
California nonprofit public benefit corporation

Mary Hickey

Mary Hickey, LCSW
Executive Director

05/12/2026

Date

Approval as to Form
Minh C. Tran
County Counsel

By: *Katherine Wilkins*

Katherine Wilkins
Deputy County Counsel

05/12/2026

Date:

ATTEST: Kimberly Rector
Clerk of the Board

By: *Whitney Mayo, Deputy*
Deputy

