



COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO
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HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY



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BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD ACTION ITEM - SEPTEMBER 6, 2018

Community Violence Services Board Letter

The Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) became effective January 1, 2005, and provides dedicated funding for the expansion of mental health services and prevention and early intervention services in California, which has included funding for community violence response teams designed to meet unique support needs after an incidence of violence.

Approval of these recommended actions will authorize amendments to existing contracts in Fiscal Year 2018-2019 to immediately enhance the delivery of behavioral health services and prevention services available to respond to community violence throughout the San Diego County region, including mobile family trauma response services and domestic violence response services; and authorizes a competitive solicitation for a countywide behavioral health program to provide community violence services including mobile family trauma response services and domestic violence response services. Mobile family trauma response teams may respond to an array of incidents occurring within the community, including, but not limited to acts of gang violence or school violence.

The recommended actions support the countywide *Live Well San Diego* vision by enhancing access to services, promoting health and well-being in children, adults and families, and encouraging self-sufficiency, which promotes a healthy, safe and thriving region. Moreover, these actions are in alignment with the Health and Human Services Agency's Ten Year Roadmap for Behavioral Health Services by focusing resources on unserved and underserved populations and aiding in the prevention of adverse childhood experiences.

It is, THEREFORE, staff's recommendation that your Board recommends approval of the enhancement to existing contracts and the issuance of a competitive solicitation for a future contract to address community violence.