



**COUNTY OF SAN MATEO**  
**Inter-Departmental Correspondence**

Human Services Agency

**DATE:** May 4, 2006  
**BOARD MEETING DATE:** May 23, 2006  
**SPECIAL NOTICE/HEARING:** None  
**VOTE REQUIRED:** Majority

**TO:** Honorable Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Glen H. Brooks Jr., Interim Director, Human Services Agency  
Stephen Kaplan, Director, Northern Region and Substance Abuse and Shelter Services

**SUBJECT:** Amendment to the Agreement with Community Overcoming Relationship Abuse (CORA)

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Adopt a Resolution authorizing execution of an Amendment to the Agreement with CORA in the amount of \$86,411 for a total obligation of \$191,411 for the provision of Domestic Violence (DV) services. The term of the Agreement is July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006, which remains the same.

**VISION ALIGNMENT:**

**Commitment:** Ensure basic health and safety for all.

**Goal 8:** Help vulnerable people – the aged, disabled, mentally ill, at-risk youth and others - achieve a better quality of life.

This Agreement contributes to this commitment and goal since CORA provides prevention and intervention services to victims of domestic violence and offers them resources to keep them and their children from risk of physical and emotional harm.

**Performance Measure(s):**

<b>Measure</b>	<b>Actual FY 2004-05</b>	<b>Projected FY 2005-06</b>
Percent of CORA's shelter program clients who will receive referrals to services that will help them achieve greater self-sufficiency	N/A. Baseline data being collected beginning FY 2005-06	80%
Percent of CORA's shelter program clients who will exit the program to transitional or permanent housing.	N/A. Baseline data being collected beginning FY 2005-06	60%

**BACKGROUND:**

On July 1, 2005, the Board of Supervisors approved an Agreement with CORA to provide domestic violence services to families in San Mateo County. CORA provides intervention and prevention services, including but not limited to: transitional housing, emergency response to calls from law enforcement, a 24-hour crisis hotline, counseling, a teen outreach and education program, community education, and emergency shelter. These services are free and confidential to victims of domestic violence in San Mateo County, which are an integral component of HSA's charge for promoting self-sufficiency.

CORA is the only organization in San Mateo County that provides domestic violence services and is recognized as a sole source provider of such services.

**DISCUSSION:**

This amendment to the Agreement allows HSA to add \$86,411 to the Agreement with CORA for the Emergency Response Program for FY 2005-06 that was recommended by the Board of Supervisors on February 7, 2006, despite cuts in State funding which would have otherwise prevented the program from being implemented.

This Amendment to the Agreement includes all provisions that are required by county ordinance and administrative memoranda, including but not limited to insurance, hold harmless, non-discrimination, equal benefits and jury service policy.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

The term of this Amendment to the Agreement is July 1, 2005 to June 30, 2006. The amended obligation of this Agreement is \$86,411, for a total obligation of \$191,411, of which \$86,411 is 100% Net County Cost.