



COUNTY OF SAN MATEO
Inter-Departmental Correspondence
Health System

DATE: January 30, 2009
BOARD MEETING DATE: March 3, 2009
SPECIAL NOTICE/HEARING: None
VOTE REQUIRED: Majority

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors

FROM: Jean S. Fraser, Chief, Health System *JSF*
Louise Rogers, Director, Behavioral Health and Recovery Services *LR/RK*

SUBJECT: First Amendment to the Agreement with Front Street, Inc.

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a Resolution:

- 1) Authorizing the President of the Board to execute an Amendment to the Agreement with Front Street, Inc. for the provision of board and care services for older adults, extending the term through June 30, 2010, and increasing the maximum obligation by \$255,675 to a new maximum of \$280,675; and
- 2) Authorizing the Chief of the Health System or designee to execute contract amendments which modify the County's maximum fiscal obligation by no more than \$25,000 (in aggregate), and/or modify the contract term and/or services so long as the modified term or services is/are within the current or revised fiscal provisions.

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 amended Agreement contributes to this commitment and goal by providing board and care services for adults with serious and persistent mental illness who are San Mateo County residents.

Performance Measure:

Measure	FY 2007-08 Actual	FY 2008-09 Projected
Percentage of clients maintained at current or lower level of care.	71%	71%

BACKGROUND:

Front Street, Inc. provides unique services that are both difficult to find and necessary for clients who might otherwise require hospital placement. This contractor is the only provider known to Behavioral Health and Recovery Services (BHRS) that provides 24-hour residential services for older adults with serious and persistent mental illness. On January 8, 2009, the Interim Chief of the Health System approved an Agreement with Front Street, Inc. for the term January 1, 2009 through March 31, 2009, for a maximum obligation of \$25,000. Under that original Agreement Front Street, Inc. provides board and care services for older adults with serious and persistent mental illness. Under the B-1 Administrative Memorandum, the selection of providers of residential services for mental health clients is exempt from the Request for Proposals requirement. BHRS publishes a public notice every year to solicit applications for new providers.

DISCUSSION:

This Agreement is being amended to increase the number of beds from three to five, effective March 1, 2009. The Agreement term is also being extended through June 30, 2010.

The Amendment to the Agreement has been reviewed and approved by County Counsel and Risk Management. The contractor has assured compliance with the County's Contractor Employee Jury Service Ordinance, as well as all other contract provisions that are required by County ordinance and administrative memoranda, including but not limited to insurance, hold harmless, non-discrimination and equal benefits.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The term of the amended Agreement is January 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010. The Agreement maximum for the 18-month period is being increased by \$255,675 to a new maximum of \$280,675. For FY 2008-09 the budgeted maximum is \$89,050, which has been included in the BHRS FY 2008-09 Adopted Budget. Sales tax through realignment will provide 100% of the funding for this Agreement. Similar arrangements will be made for FY 2009-10. There is no Net County Cost.