# Alachua County Board of County Commissioners Amendment 105

This amendment (the "Amendment") is made and entered into by and between Lutheran Services Florida, Inc. d/b/a LSF Health Systems, LLC ("LSF") and Alachua County Board of County Commissioners ("Provider") to be effective December 1, 2018. Provider and LSF may be referred to herein individually as a "party" or collectively as "the parties."

Whereas, LSF wishes to amend the contract entered into between said parties on July 1, 2016, the purpose of this amendment is to increase funding and add Attachment V.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants, and the mutual promises contained hereinafter, and in exchange for good and valuable consideration, the sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged by the parties, as independent contractors, the parties agree as follows:

- Capitalized terms herein shall be ascribed the meaning given by the Contract. In the event of conflict between this Amendment and the Contract, this Amendment shall control.
- Standard Contract, Paragraph 3, 'Payment for Services' is amended to: "contract of an amount not to exceed \$1,431,035.00, or the rate schedule, subject to the availability of funds" and is otherwise unchanged.
- 3. Standard Contract, Paragraph 4, 'Contract Document' is amended to: "shall provide services in accordance with the terms and conditions specified in this contract including its attachments, Attachment I, Attachment II, Attachment IV, <u>Attachment V</u>, and any Exhibits referenced in said attachments, together with any documents incorporated by reference" and is otherwise unchanged.
- 4. Attachment I, Section C, Paragraph 1, 'Payment Clause' is amended to: "contract total dollar amount shall not exceed \$1,431,035.00, subject to the availability of funds from the Department" and is otherwise unchanged.
- Attachment V is incorporated in its entirety into the contract and is provided herein. All prior references to same content are deleted.
- 6. Exhibit H, 'Funding Detail' is replaced in its entirety with the Exhibit H, 'Funding Detail' revised December 1, 2018 incorporated herein. All prior exhibits and attachments with reference to same content are deleted.

Except as amended herein, the terms and conditions of the Agreement remain the same in full effect and authority.

The parties' authorized representatives have executed this thirteen-page Amendment to be effective this 1st day of December, 2018.

Alachua County Board of County Commissioners Lutheran Services Florida, Inc. d/b/a LSF Health Systems, LLC

Signature

Charles S. Chestnut, IV

Printed Name

Title

APPROVED AS 10 FORM

#### ATTACHMENT V

This Attachment contains the terms and conditions governing the Mobile Response Team (MRT) which Alachua County Board of County Commissioners, hereinafter referred to as "Network Service Provider," will administer in Alachua. The terms of this Attachment shall be effective December 1, 2018 and shall continue through expiration of the Standard Contract to which this document is attached.

#### Section 1. Definitions

1.1. Mobile Response Team (MRT): A multi-disciplinary team of behavioral health professionals and paraprofessionals with specialized crisis intervention and operations training. MRTs provide readily available crisis care in a community-based setting and increase opportunities to stabilize individuals in the least restrictive setting to avoid the need for jail or hospital/emergency department utilization.

# 1.2. Core Principles

- 1.2.1 Strength-based move the focus from the deficits of the individual and family to focusing on their strengths and resources related to the goal of recovery. This includes viewing the individual and family as resourceful and resilient.
- 1.2.2 Family-driven and youth-guided recognize that families have the primary decision-making role in the care of their children. The individual's and family's preferences should guide care.
- 1.2.3 Community based with an optimal service array provide services in the least restrictive setting possible, ideally in the community. Individuals should be able to obtain any behavioral health service they need in their home community. Peer support is an important component of services.
- 1.2.4 Trauma sensitive respond to the impact of trauma, emphasizing physical, psychological, and emotional safety for both service providers and individuals; and create opportunities for individuals to rebuild a sense of control and empowerment.
- 1.2.5 Culturally and linguistically competent be respectful of, and responsive to, the health, beliefs, practices, and cultural and linguistic needs of diverse individuals. "Culture" is a term that goes beyond race and ethnicity to include characteristics such as age, gender, sexual orientation, disability, religion, income level, education, geographical location. Cultural competence applies to organizations as well as individuals. Cultural Competence is a set of behaviors, attitudes, and policies that come together in a system to work effectively in multicultural situations. Linguistic competence is the ability to communicate effectively in a way that can be easily understood by diverse audiences.

- 1.2.6 Coordinated provide care coordination for individuals with serious behavioral health conditions with an emphasis on individualized services across providers and systems. At the system level, leverage resources by analyzing funding gaps, assessing the use of existing resources from all funding streams, and identifying strategies to close the funding gaps, including the options of blending and braiding of funding sources.
- 1.2.7 Outcome-focused ensure that programmatic outcome data is accessible to mangers, stakeholders, and decision makers, and that the data is meaningful and useful to those individuals. Collect feedback from each individual and family regarding the service delivery to improve outcomes of care that inform, individualize, and improve provider service delivery.

#### Section 2. Financial Consideration

#### 2.1. Award Amount

2.1.1 Alachua County Board of County Commissioners has been awarded an amount not to exceed \$165,000,00 per annum for costs associated with administration of the Mobile Response Team (MRT) at its agency in collaboration with Meridian Behavioral Healthcare, Inc. This award is subject to availability of funds from the Department of Children and Families.

# 2.2. Budget

- 2.2.1 The Network Service Provider shall submit a detailed, line-item budget to LSF Health Systems identifying for each line the allowable items for the program, the projected or budgeted amount for each line item and narrative supporting the reasonableness and necessity of any unusual items.
- 2.2.2 All budgets and revisions thereto are subject to approval by LSF Health Systems.
- 2.2.3 The Network Service Provider may revise a budget by submitting same to the assigned Network Manager via electronic mail for approval.
- 2.2.4 Approved budgets shall be maintained in the official contract file.
- 2.2.5 Modifications to the approved budget may not be effective retroactively.

### 2.3. Payment

- 2.3.1 This award shall be paid using a fixed rate methodology, subject to the availability of funds. The Network Service Provider shall comply with the terms of such methodology, including documentation and data reporting, as outlined in the body of the contract to which this document is attached.
- 2.3.2 The total monthly payment amount shall not exceed one-twelfth of the contract. The payment amount shall be included as a line item in the Network Service Provider's Exhibit I Invoice under the regular contract with the following documentation provided as support.

- 2.3.2.1 The Network Service Provider shall submit a quarterly Expenditure Reconciliation Report using the form designated by LSF Health Systems which will outline expenses incurred by the MRT Team program. This report shall be submitted on or before the 10th of the month following the end of each quarter.
- 2.3.2.2 All funds paid under the fixed rate methodology must be accounted for through this reconciliation process and any funding not accounted for is subject to repayment to LSF Health Systems.
- 2.3.2.3 LSF Health Systems reserves the right to request substantiating documentation to support the line items submitted by the Network Service Provider in the Expenditure Reconciliation Report.
- 2.3.2.4 LSF Health Systems will audit substantiating documentation outlined on the Expenditure Reconciliation Report as part of its monitoring and oversight process.
- 2.3.3 A service unit is a bundle of one month of available MRT services as defined in this Attachment, provided to eligible individuals.
- 2.3.4 Reimbursement shall be made for actual, allowable expenditures within the limits of the latest version of the approved budget at the time that the invoice is processed.
- 2.3.5 The Department of Children and Families CFOP 75-02 and Uniform Guidance govern fixed rate under this program. The provisions therein are incorporated herein by reference.
- 2.3.6 Mileage for travel will be reimbursed at a rate not to exceed \$0.445 per mile, the current rate established by the State of Florida.
- 2.3.7 Network Service Provider shall return to LSF Health Systems any unused MRT Team funds and unmatched grant funds, as documented in the final Expenditure Reconciliation Report, no later than 60 days following the ending date of the subcontract.

#### Section 3. Program Administration

- 3.1. Program Objectives/Service Tasks
  - 3.1.1 The Network Service Provider shall provide on-demand crisis intervention services in any setting in which a behavioral health crisis is occurring, including homes, schools and emergency departments.
  - 3.1.2 The Network Service Provider shall be available 24/7 by a team of professionals and paraprofessionals, who are trained in crisis intervention skills to ensure timely access to supports and services.

- 3.1.3 The Network Service Provider shall respond within 60 minutes to new requests. MRT staff are expected to triage calls in order to determine the level of severity and prioritize calls that meet the clinical threshold required for an in-person response.
- 3.1.4 The Network Service Provider shall provide continued crisis stabilization and care coordination services as indicated for up to 72 hours. In addition to helping resolve the crisis, teams work with the individual and their families to identify and develop strategies for effectively dealing with potential future crises.
- 3.1.5 MRTs shall include access to a board-certified or board-eligible psychiatrist or psychiatric nurse practitioner. These professionals shall provide:
  - 3.1.5.1 Phone consultation to the team within 15 minutes or shortly after a request from an MRT, and
  - 3.1.5.2 Face-to-face or telehealth appointments with the individual within 48 hours of a request if the individual has no existing behavioral health services provider.
- 3.1.6 Services include evaluation and assessment, development of safety or crisis plans, providing or facilitating stabilization services, supportive crisis counseling, education, development of coping skills, linkage to appropriate resources and connecting those individuals who need more intensive mental health and substance abuse services. They facilitate "warm handoffs" to community services, and other supports.
- 3.1.7 MRT providers shall be responsible for working with stakeholders to develop a community plan for immediate response and de-escalation, but also crisis and safety planning.
  - 3.1.7.1 Stakeholder collaboration must include law enforcement and school superintendents, but may also include other areas within education, emergency responders, businesses, other health and human service related providers, family advocacy groups, peer organizations, and emergency dispatchers (i.e., 211 and 911 lines).
  - a. Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with each county stakeholder must be executed no later than January 1, 2019.
- 3.1.8 The Network Service Provider shall provide the following services:
  - 3.1.8.1 Evaluation and assessment, development of safety or crisis plans, providing or facilitating stabilization services, supportive crisis counseling, education, development of coping skills, and linkage to appropriate resources and connecting those individuals who need

more intensive mental health and substance abuse services. They facilitate "warm handoffs" to community services, and other supports.

- 3.1.9 The Network Service Provider shall participate in coordinated system of care activities sponsored by the Managing Entity to support systemic referral coordination, needs assessment, planning, development, data collection, resource sharing and related activities of the Managing Entity.
- 3.1.10 The Network Service Provider may provide Incidental Expense services, as defined in Ch. 65E-14.021, F.A.C., to or on behalf of specific individuals receiving services under this contract, to the extent the primary need for such services demonstrably supports the individual's recovery or resiliency goals as documented in the individual's plan of care.

### 3.2. Program Goals

- 3.2.1 The primary goals of the MRT are to lessen trauma, divert from emergency departments or juvenile/criminal justice, and prevent unnecessary psychiatric hospitalizations.
- 3.2.2 MRTs must be accessible in the community at any time and are available to individuals 25 years of age and under, regardless of their ability to pay, and must be ready to respond to any mental health emergency.
- 3.2.3 Mobile Response Teams Roles and Responsibilities:
  - 3.2.3.1 Respond to new requests within 60 minutes
  - 3.2.3.2 Provide behavioral health crisis-oriented services that are responsive to the individual and family needs
  - 3.2.3.3 Respond to the crisis where the crisis is occurring (e.g., schools, homes, community locations, etc.)
  - 3.2.3.4 Provide screening, standardized assessments, early identification and linkage to community services
  - 3.2.3.5 Whenever possible include family members
  - 3.2.3.6 Develop a Care Plan
  - 3.2.3.7 Provide care coordination by facilitating the transition to ongoing services through a warm hand-off, including psychiatric evaluation and medication management

- 3.2.3.8 Ensure process for informed consent and HIPPA compliance measures
- 3.2.3.9 Promote information sharing and use of innovative technology Mobile applications, tele-psychiatry
- 3.2.4 Provider Roles and Responsibilities:
  - 3.2.4.1 Create, and update as needed, an implementation plan for delivering Mobile Response Team services
  - 3.2.4.2 Engage in community networking and support to build relationships with schools, law enforcement, community resource organizations, behavioral health organizations, and local agencies
  - 3.2.4.3 Identify and create Memoranda of Understanding
  - 3.2.4.4 Increase community awareness about Mobile Response Teams and behavioral health needs through community education and outreach
  - 3.2.4.5 Provide training for workforce development that focuses on areas such as crisis assessment, strengths-based crisis planning, intervention, care coordination
  - 3.2.4.6 Ensure cross-training in Crisis Intervention Training (CIT) and Mental Health First Aid, help build behavioral health literacy and awareness of resources, develop and distribute educational materials
  - 3.2.4.7 Ensure process for informed consent and HIPPA compliance measures
  - 3.2.4.8 Promote information sharing and use of innovative technology mobile applications, tele-psychiatry
  - 3.2.4.9 Manage all administrative functions, including: purchasing, human resources, training, and quality assurance and reporting requirements
- 3.2.5 The Network Service Provider must adhere to the service delivery and reporting requirements described in the Department's Guidance document The guidance document will be located on the Department's website: <a href="http://www.myflfamilies.com/service-programs/substance-abuse/managing-entities">http://www.myflfamilies.com/service-programs/substance-abuse/managing-entities</a> for the appropriate fiscal year.

## 3.3. Target Population

3.3.1 The Network Service Provider shall provide the services described herein to eligible individuals, per the provisions of the following section – Client Eligibility, and their families, including caregivers and guardians.

### 3.4. Client Eligibility

3.4.1 The Network Service Provider shall provide services to individuals aged 0 to 25 who are:

#### 3.4.1.1 In a crisis

- a. The clinical threshold for crisis may include aggressive behaviors; suicide attempts/ideation; drug and alcohol overdose or abuse; or disruptive symptoms related to thought, mood and anxiety disorders (e.g., panic, hopelessness, anger, depression), escalating behavior(s) and, without immediate intervention, the individual is likely to require a higher intensity of services. It may also present as an overt change in functioning, or be prompted by traumatic life events. Mobile Response Teams must coordinate inperson services with law enforcement to provide additional safety, when appropriate and necessary.
- 3.4.2 The individual's inability to pay for service must not be a criteria for eligibility.

#### 3.5. Service Times

- 3.5.1 Services shall be available and provided, as needed, 24-hour per day; seven days per week, including holidays.
- 3.6. Staffing and Professional Qualifications
  - 3.6.1 The Network Service Provider shall maintain an adequate administrative organizational structure and support staff sufficient to discharge its contractual responsibilities.
- 3.7. The Network Service Provider shall maintain the following clinical documentation for individuals served in the program.
  - 3.7.1 Demographics;
  - 3.7.2 Initial clinical assessment at the time of response;
  - 3.7.3 Supplemental assessments of child and family strengths and needs;
  - 3.7.4 Safety or wellness plan of care;
  - 3.7.5 Follow-up services and referrals;

- 3.7.6 Discharge summary including response to services provided.
- 3.8. Outcomes and Performance Measures
  - 3.8.1 The Network Service Provider shall demonstrate satisfactory delivery of minimum levels of service through submission of the Monthly Data Report.
- 3.9. Required Reporting
  - 3.9.1 Monthly Data Report: In order to assist the Department with system-wide programmatic analysis of the MRT model, the Managing Entity shall require MRT Network Service Providers to submit monthly supplemental data, submitted on the ME's template.
  - 3.9.2 Return on Investment Report:
    - 3.9.2.1 The Network Service Provider shall submit a quarterly report within 10 calendar days after the completion of each state fiscal year quarter documenting the actual return on investment achieved and describing the methodology by which the return on investment amount was determined.
  - 3.9.3 Expenditure Reconciliation Report: A quarterly detailed cumulative reports of program expenses which are used to track all expenses associated with the grant and reconcile these expenditures with the payments made to the grantee. The financial reports track both grant award-funded and match-funded expenses and encourages program expenditure planning and projection.
  - 3.9.4 Ad Hoc and additional reporting may be required as determined necessary by LSF Health Systems or the Department of Children and Families.
  - 3.9.5 Reporting Schedule
    - 3.9.5.1 The Network Service Provider shall submit reports electronically in accordance with the reporting schedule as specified in Table 1.

Table 1. Reporting Schedule		
Report Title	Report Due Date(s)	Report Recipient(s)
Return on Investment Report	October 10 <sup>th</sup> , January 10 <sup>th</sup> , April 10 <sup>th</sup> , July 10 <sup>th</sup>	
Expenditure Report	October 10 <sup>th</sup> , January 10 <sup>th</sup> , April 10 <sup>th</sup> , July 10 <sup>th</sup>	LSF Health Systems Network Manager and Director of Program Operations
Monthly Data Report	Monthly, by the 10th of the month	

3.10. The Network Service Provider shall participate in all MRT program conference calls, meetings or other oversight events scheduled by LSF Health Systems and the Department.

#### Section 4. Documentation

### 4.1. Costs

- 4.1.1 Professional Services Rendered: Invoices for professional services must include a general statement of the services provided, the time period covered by the invoice, the hourly rate, the number of hours worked and the total payment required. Evidence of payment of the invoice must also be included.
- 4.1.2 Postage and Reproduction Expenses: Outside vendors purchases must include invoices with evidence of payments made or receipts with itemization. In-house postage and reproduction must be supported by usage logs or similar reports.
- 4.1.3 Travel: Travel reimbursements shall be made in accordance with the Department's CFOP 40-1, § 287.058(1)(b), Fla. Stat. and §112.061, Fla. Stat. Receipts for direct expenses (e.g., airfare, car rental, parking, tolls) shall be provided in support of such expenses. For mileage reimbursements, submissions shall include date(s) of travel, amount of mileage (support of mileage may include either map routes or odometer readings), purpose of travel, origin and destination.
- 4.1.4 General Expenses not otherwise Specified: Receipts or invoices with evidence of payment should be provided.

#### 4.2. Services Rendered

4.2.1 The Network Service Provider shall maintain records documenting the total number of clients and names/unique identifiers of clients to whom services were rendered and the date(s) on which services were provided. The Network Service Provider shall make such information available to LSF Health Systems upon request and during monitoring of the program administration.

4.2.2 The provider is required to enter actual services provided, using the covered services available in the LSF Health Systems Contract System into the LSF Health Systems Data System as required by the contract.

#### 4.3. Client Charts

4.3.1 Client Charts shall be maintained in accordance with the applicable parameters established by the appropriate guidance outlined in this attachment.

# Section 5. Miscellaneous

- 5.1. Other contractual requirements in effect under the remaining portions of this contract apply to the administration of the program described herein.
- 5.2. Renewal of the provisions of this Attachment and the program it governs are contingent on performance under the terms and subject to availability of funding from the Department.
- 5.3. The provisions of this Attachment are subject to revision and amendment by LSF Health Systems.
- 5.4. Any ambiguity in this Attachment shall be interpreted to permit compliance with laws, regulations and codes in effect within the State of Florida.

# LSF HEALTH SYSTEMS MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE FUNDING DETAIL

Alachua County Board of County Commissioners Contract No.: LSG20 Effective: 12/1/2018 Amend. #: Retroactive to: MENTAL HEALTH SUBSTANCE ABUSE Budget Entity - 60910506 Perent DEA OCA Amount Budget Entity - 60910604 Parent OCA OCA Adult Mental Health Survices Adult Substance Abuse Services General Revenue (MII) MH000 MHA00 50 General Revenue (SA) MS000 DOLAZIA \$270,950 HIV Services MSOZE MSA23 \$0 Adul: Mental Health Special Projects Prevention Services MSOZS MSA25 \$0 MH011 Starting Point Behavioral Healthcare MHOHA Adult Substance Abuse Services Total; \$270,950 Orange Park Medical Center MHOZS 50 Early Intervention Sys - Pyschotic Disorders MH026 \$0 \$0 \$0 \$0 \$0 Adult Substance Abuse Special Projects
SA Sycs for Pregnant Women & Their Affected Families Community Forensic Beds MII072 Florida Assertive Comm. Treatment (FACT) MH073 MS081 Indigent Psychlatric Medication Program MH076 Family Intendve Treatment (FIT) Teams Clay Behavioral Ctr - Comm Crists Prev Yearn MH049 Family Intensive Treatment (FIT) Teams - Expansion MS091-X \$0 \$0 Community Forensic Multidisciplinary Teams for Hospital Diversion MHOFH Partnership for Success - Hospital Pilot MSOFH PATH Grants MHOPG \$0 \$0 ME State Epidemiology Outcomes Workgroup Local St. Johns County Sheriff's Office - Detox Program NSOWIL Care Coordination (Mental Health) MHACH MS907 50 Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TARF) Disability Rights Florida Mental Health MHATE \$0 \$0 St. Vincent's Healthcare-Saving tives Project M5916 \$0 MHORE Care Coordination (Substance Abuse) MICOCAL MSACH Śū MN Supported Employment Services MHEMP Temporory Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) MISATE \$6,876 MSOTE LifeStream - Crisis Stabilization Services MHS50 \$0 FL Targeted Response Oploid Crisis Hospital MSOPH Central Receiving Facilities \$0 MHSCR ME - FL Response to the Opioid Crisis MAT MSOPM Sa SA State Funded For Profit Sub-recipients MH State Funded For Profit Sub-recipients MHSEP \$0 \$0 MSSFP \$a Meridian Behavioral - Primary Care Services MHSMB Transition Vouchers Substance Abuse MSTRV So MH Transitional Beds for MH Institution митми Transition Vouchers Mental Health MHTRY \$0 Adult Substance Abuse Special Projects Total: Adult Mental Health Special Projects Total: Total Adult Substance Abuse Funds: Total Adult Mental Health Funds: Child Substance Abuse Services General Revenue (SA) A45000 Miscon HIV Services MS023 MSC23 \$0 Prevention Services \$0 Child Mental Health Services MH000 MHC00 Child Substance Abuse Services Total \$0 Child Mental Health Special Projects Child Substance Abuse Special Projects Purchase of Besidential Treatment Services for Emotionally Disturbed CATAlogs and Youth MH071 FL Partnerships for Success Title XXI Children's Health Insurance Program (Bitel) MHOBN \$0 Prevention Partnership Grant (PPG) MSOPP 50 MH Community Action Treatment (CAT) Teams ME Care Coordination (Mental Health) MHCAT \$0 Care Coordination (Substance Abuse) MSCCH 50 MHOCH MHCCH \$0 Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (FANF) MSOTA MSCIB SO FL SOC Expansion and Sustainability Project FL Response to the Oploid Crisis School MSOPS ŚO ME MH Mobile Crists Teams MHMCT \$165,000 Child Mental Health Special Projects Total: \$165,000 Child Substance Abuse Special Projects Total: SO Total Child Mental Health Funds: Total Child Substance Abuse Funds: \$0 Total Mental Health Funds: \$165,000 Total Substance Abuse Funds: \$277,826 Adult Mental Health Carry Forward Adult Substance Abuse Carry Forward Care Coardination (Mental Health) MHACK-CF Care Coordination (Substance Abuse) MSACN-CF Clay Behavioral Ctr - Comm Crisis Prev Team MHORS-CF ¢α Meridian Behavioral - Primary Care Services Adult Substance Abuse Carry Forward Total: Disability Rights Florida Mental Health ASHDRE-CE Śū Adult Mental Health Carry Forward Total. Child Substance Abuse Carry Forward Child Mental Health Carry Forward MHOCN MHCCN-CF ME Care Coordination (Mental Health) 50 FL Response to the Doloid Crisis School MSOPS-CE Śū Child Mental Health Carry Forward Total: Child Substance Abuse Carry Forward Total: \$Q Total Mental Health Carry Forward Funds: \$0 Total Substance Abuse Carry Forward Funds: \$0 Total for Ali Programs: \$442,826

# RESOLUTION 19-02

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ALACHUA COUNTY, FLORIDA, ESTABLISHING A FUND TO BE TITLED, "MOBILE RESPONSE TEAM" AND RECEIVE UNANTICIPATED REVENUE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, it is necessary to establish a new fund titled "Mobile Response Team" to receive unanticipated revenue to be used for crisis response services for individuals up to age 25;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ALACHUA COUNTY, FLORIDA:

- 1. That establishment of the "Mobile Response Team" Fund be, and the same is hereby, approved.
- 2. That the fiscal year 2018-2019 budget for the "Mobile Response Team" is hereby established. By adoption of this resolution, the Board of County Commissioners of Alachua County, Florida, hereby appropriates and permits the revenue and expenditure of the funds described therein.
- 3. That this resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

DULY ADOPTED in regular session, this 8 day of January, A.D., 2019.

# BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ALACHUA COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: Chil & Child

Charles "Chuck" Chestnut IV, Chair

ATTEST:

J. K. "Jess" Irby, Esq., Clerk (SEAL)

Alachua County Attorney

APPROVED AS TO FORM

J. K. "Jass" Irby, Circuit and County Court Clerk, Alachua County. Florida, certifies this is a true copy of the document of record in this office, which may have been reducted as required by law. Witness my hand and seal on

J. K. "Jess" Irby, Clerk of the Circuit Court By

#### **Talking Points**

# Mobile Response Team / LSF Amendment 105

- The Alachua County Crisis Center has trained staff and volunteers that provide mobile response team services 24/7/365 called CARE Teams
- CARE TEAMS are requested by law enforcement, the schools, and various communities organizations when they encounter a person in crisis
- CARE Team staff and volunteers assess the safety of the situation upon arrival, travel in pairs, and check in first with the person requesting the response
- Under the LSF Amendment, volunteers will continue to respond to CARE Team calls, the new
   FTE will serve primary to coordinate the program and assure quality service
- Once the contract is initiated and staff hired we will begin work on formal written memorandums of understanding with the School Board of Alachua County and the various law enforcement agencies that identify roles and responsibilities
- Human Resources has received Job Assessment Tools for the two positions and is preparing a separate agenda item to classify the new positions and revise the pay plan



# Agenda

ALACHUA COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Jack Durrance Auditorium
Second Floor
12 SE 1st Street
January 8, 2019 BoCC Regular Meeting 9:00AM

# Agenda Item #26.

# Agenda Item Name:

Amendment #105 to the Lutheran Services of Florida Agreement that provides \$165,000.00 in new funding for Mobile Response Teams

#### Presenter:

Claudia Tuck, 264-6706

# **Item Description:**

Lutheran Services of Florida awarded Alachua County \$165,000.00 in state funding, a continuing appropriation, to provide and enhance mobile crisis response services for young people up to age 25. The awarded funding will support two new FTE in the Crisis Center, start up and operating expenses.

## **Recommended Action:**

Accept the Lutheran Services of Florida award including the unanticipated revenues, authorize the Chair to sign Amendment 105, approve adding 2 FTE to the Community Support Services FY 19 budget, establish a new fund titled Mobile Response Team Fund, and establish a \$25,000.00 inter-fund loan.

#### **Prior Board Motions**

The Board of Commissioners approved Amendment 101 which replaced the standard contract and deleted prior contracts on 7/14/15. The Board also approved Amendment #102 on 9/8/15, Amendment #103 on 12/8/15, and Amendment #104 on 9/25/18, which among other items reflected new amounts of funding.

#### **Fiscal Consideration:**

# **Background:**

In response to the Marjory Stoneman Douglas shooting and other incidents of violence, the State of Florida through its Department of Children and Families (DCF) created a new strategic framework to improve access to crisis mental health services for young people up to age 25, called Mobile Response Teams (MRT). Lutheran Services of Florida is the Managing Entity for Circuit 8 and released a request for proposals (RFP) to implement Mobile Response Team services throughout the Circuit including Alachua County. Alachua County Community Support Services staff discussed the RFP with Meridian Behavioral Healthcare, Inc which indicated they would be responding for all counties in Circuit 8.

As the Alachua County Crisis Center has been providing mobile response services for over 40 years, we

entered into a Memorandum of Agreement with Meridian to establish the primary roles of each organization. It was agreed the Crisis Center will be the lead MRT agency for Alachua County. Although the Crisis Center meets the core requirements of the DCF MRT Framework, we anticipate an increase in call volume. Additionally, the MRT Framework requires access to psychiatric services and a "warm handoff" process to ensure those in crisis receive ongoing supportive services. As a result, Meridian requested additional funding for 2 new Crisis Center FTE, startup and operating support totaling \$165,000.00.

After discussing issues related to contracting and indemnification, LSF offered to contract directly with Alachua County. As Alachua County receives LSF funding for its Metamorphosis program, LSF asked to amend the existing Metamorphosis agreement to include funding for the MRT program.