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## NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** JoAnn Melgar for Howard Himes - Director  
Health & Human Services Operations

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**SUBJECT:** Amendment No. 1 to Agreement with National Alliance to End Homelessness, LLC

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### **RECOMMENDATION**

Director of Health and Human Services requests approval of and authorization for the Chair to sign Amendment No. 1 to Agreement No. 160126B-17 with the National Alliance to End Homelessness, LLC, increasing the amount by \$48,500 for a new maximum of \$61,050 and amending the scope of work to implement a homeless crisis response system.

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

In December 2015, the City of Napa (City) engaged the services of the National Alliance to End Homelessness (NAEH) to provide consulting services and technical advice to redesign the Napa County shelter system and to build shelter provider capacity to deliver low-barrier shelter services and rapid re-housing. The goal of the changes were to bring the program into alignment with national best practices. The City and County split the costs of that agreement which expired June 30, 2016.

On July 1, 2016 the County entered into an agreement with NAEH to facilitate a rapid rehousing challenge to house as many homeless individuals and families as possible within a 100-day period and to provide training to local services providers on national rapid re-housing best practices.

The proposed amendment to this agreement seeks to continue the efforts of the County and City to implement a fully-redesigned, low-barrier crisis response shelter system. The City of Napa and the Housing Authority of the City of Napa are contributing towards the costs of this agreement.

NAEH is not a local vendor.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

Is there a Fiscal Impact?	Yes
Is it currently budgeted?	Yes
Where is it budgeted?	Health & Human Services Administration
Is it Mandatory or Discretionary?	Discretionary
Discretionary Justification:	This amendment is discretionary in that there is no mandate to contract with this provider. However, this agreement will assist Napa County's Health and Human Services Agency to continue the implementation of a redesigned low-barrier crises response shelter system and additional homelessness related issues.
Is the general fund affected?	No
Future fiscal impact:	This contract terminates on June 30, 2017
Consequences if not approved:	If not approved, the Napa County will lack the sufficient resources and experience to introduce, facilitate and summarize a rehousing challenge with Napa County staff and community partners. This amendment will continue the practices and activities to enhance effectiveness for rehousing in Napa county. Additionally, Napa County will also not have consultation assistance in the RFP and other processes essential to the to implementation of the emergency shelter system.

Additional Information:

**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT**

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The proposed action is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines) and therefore CEQA is not applicable.

**BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION**

The National Alliance to End Homelessness (NAEH) has extensive experience in providing assistance to communities around the country to implement national homelessness policies, build system capacity to provide effective rapid-rehousing, facilitate Continuum of Care processes, develop ten-year plans to end homelessness, facilitate system-level strategic planning and design, plan and implement coordinated assessment systems, and improve data systems to measure system performance.

In December 2015, the City of Napa contracted with NAEH to conduct a comprehensive review of the current homeless shelter system and issued a report with specific recommendations to transition the shelter system to align with national best practices, which was presented to this Board on August 9, 2016. This agreement expired June 30, 2016.

On July 1, 2016, the County entered into an agreement with NAEH to facilitate a rapid rehousing challenge which is currently on-going. The purpose of this challenge is to house as many homeless individuals and families as possible during a 100-day period.

The proposed amendment to this agreement seeks to continue the efforts of the County and City to implement a fully redesigned low-barrier crisis response shelter system. Specifically, NAEH will provide the following services:

- | Participate in the Request for Proposals (RFP) or Qualifications (RFQ) process to select an emergency shelter and day center operator, ·
- | Participate on weekly calls with Napa County, City of Napa, and stakeholders to plan the re-design of Napa's homelessness system, ·
- | Provide guidance regarding providing housing-focused services in shelter, lowering barriers to shelter, and evaluating shelter performance,. ·
- | Collaborate with stakeholders and other Technical Assistance providers to provide guidance on implementation of flexible housing subsidy pool and coordinated entry, and. ·
- | Provide general technical assistance, training to County and City staff, as well as to homeless service providers for activities related to diversion, shelter and rapid re-housing implementation.

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**SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS**

None

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Bret Prebula