NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Shelli Brobst for Jennifer Yasumoto - Director
       Health & Human Services Administration
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SUBJECT: Amendment No. 1 to Agreement with Loyola Marymount University Extension

RECOMMENDATION
Director of Health and Human Services requests approval of and authorization for the Chair to sign Amendment No. 1 to Agreement No. 180233B with Loyola Marymount University Extension adding a provision for automatic renewals to provide training services to clients participating in the Workforce Innovations and Opportunity Act (WIOA) funded programs.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
The County has contracted with Loyola Marymount University Extension since 2018 to provide training services to clients participating in the County’s WIOA funded programs. The purpose of today’s requested action is to modify Paragraph 1--Term of the Agreement to allow for automatic renewals.

There is no change to the annual contract maximum of $9,999. Under the County’s purchasing policy, Agreements that exceed three years in length require Board approval.

Loyola Marymount University Extension is not a local vendor.

FISCAL & STRATEGIC PLAN IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact? Yes
Is it currently budgeted? Yes
Where is it budgeted? Health & Human Services Self Sufficiency Services
Is it Mandatory or Discretionary?

Discretionary

Discretionary Justification:
This Agreement is discretionary in that it is not mandated by any statute; however, this Agreement is utilized as a choice of training by WIOA clients and by not renewing the Agreement we may lose out an opportunity to reach our allocation.

Is the general fund affected?

No

Future fiscal impact:
This Agreement contains a provision for automatic renewal. Appropriations have been included in the approved Fiscal Year 2020-2021 budgeted in future fiscal years accordingly.

Consequences if not approved:
If this agreement is not approved, Napa County will be unable to approve training and education provided by Loyola Marymount University Extension for WIOA clients. Additionally, Napa County may not be able to fulfill its training requirement mandated under the agreement with the Workforce Alliance of the North Bay (WANB).

County Strategic Plan pillar addressed:
Collaborative and Engaged Community

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

Napa County Health and Human Services’ Self Sufficiency Services Division receives WIOA funding to provide training and employment opportunities to enrolled participants. The program is designed to help individuals reduce significant barriers to self-sufficiency which include, trauma, homelessness, substance abuse and mental health issues, and lack of education, health care, financial resources, and familial involvement and support. One of the key elements to delivering a successful program is providing ample support to the individuals enrolled in the program.

WIOA participants are assigned an Employment Services Worker (ESW) who provides case management, supportive services, and career development to identify opportunities to gain access to training and employment. One of the ways that the program provides support is by paying for short-term (under two years) vocational training that is likely to lead to an in-demand career and aid participants in earning a sustainable wage. To identify appropriate training opportunities, participants work with their ESW to evaluate their employment history, establish skill sets, educational level, desired line of work, and undergo career and interest assessments.

Under this Agreement, Loyola Marymount University Extension (Loyola) provides occupational training to enrolled participants that staff have identified as participants who would benefit from training and who are a good fit with Loyola’s program based on the criteria listed above. Staff recommends amending this Agreement to auto-renew because it is anticipated that multiple program participants will receive training through this provider.
SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

None

CEO Recommendation: Approve
Reviewed By: Ben Guerrieri