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**Broward County Commission Regular Meeting**
**Director's Name:** Tara Gaudin
**Department:** Human Services **Division:** Elderly & Veterans Services

## Information

### Requested Action
MOTION TO AUTHORIZE County Administrator to execute Agreement No. 34345-22, subject to review for legal sufficiency by the Office of the County Attorney, between Broward Behavioral Health Coalition Inc. ("BBHC") and Broward County, in the budgeted amount of $333,076 and a Broward County match contribution of $3,857 for a total of $336,933, and potentially a maximum amount of $399,691 - in whole, in part, or not at all - in uncompensated units at BBHC's discretion, effective from July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023, providing community-based adult mental health services to eligible Broward County seniors; authorize the County Administrator to execute amendments to the Agreement, subject to review for legal sufficiency by the Office of the County Attorney, that do not impose additional financial obligations on the County beyond any match requirement; and authorize the County Administrator to take all necessary administrative and budgetary actions to implement the grant Agreement.

### Why Action is Necessary
Agreements with external agencies require approval by the Broward County Board of County Commissioners ("Commission").

### What Action Accomplishes
Approval of this Contract ensures the continuation of adult mental health services to eligible Broward County seniors.

### Is this Action Goal Related
Yes

### Previous Action Taken
None

### Summary Explanation/Background
THE HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT AND THE ELDERLY AND VETERANS SERVICES DIVISION RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THE ABOVE ACTION.

This program supports the Commission's value of "approaching human services collaboratively and compassionately, with special emphasis on the most vulnerable" and the goal to "deliver evidence-based services to the public and connect customers and their family members to sustainable support, with special emphasis on financial supports." This program provides targeted mental health case

management and peer support to the most vulnerable seniors in the community. Services also include two evidence-based programs: SSI/SSDI Outreach, Access, and Recovery and Wellness Recovery Action Plan. These proven practices result in these seniors maintaining their health and recovery in the community rather than in an institution.

Community-based mental health services are funded by the Florida Department of Children and Families ("DCF") which agreements with the BBHC as the managing entity for Broward County. Agreement No. 34345-22 between BBHC and Broward County facilitates the provision of community-based mental health services to eligible seniors served by the Elderly and Veterans Services Division ("EVSD"). Under this Agreement, EVSD provides multiple mental health services, including screening, comprehensive assessment, case management, coordination of resources, and peer recovery support to eligible seniors. The state of Florida Fiscal Year 2022 Agreement outcomes are being met.

The target and outcomes are as follows: a) EVSD will serve 81 eligible seniors diagnosed with a severe and persistent mental illness and 35 additional with forensic involvement (total 116); b) 90% of eligible seniors diagnosed with a severe and persistent mental illness live in a stable housing environment, and 67% of eligible seniors in forensic involvement live in a stable housing environment; c) 95% of case managers will attend at least 95% of the South Florida Monthly Discharge or Treatment Plan Meetings at the South Florida State Hospital, as reported by their staff; d) 95% of case managers will attend at least 95% of the monthly concurrent reviews and follow through with 100% of the recommendations from the prior month; e) 95% of eligible seniors with a comprehensive service and/or treatment plan will attain at least one goal or objective per quarter; and f) 100% of persons receiving state-contracted service event records, which have matching initial admission records, will be in compliance with the current DCF pamphlet.

Upon execution of this Agreement, EVSD anticipates receiving $333,076 in funding, which requires a cash match of $3,857. There is also an anticipated additional and unsecured amount of $66,615 for uncompensated units, which BBHC, at its sole discretion and subject to availability of funds, may pay Broward County in whole, in part, or not at all.

This Agreement will be prepared by BBHC in its format and will be reviewed by the Office of the County Attorney.

**Source of Additional Information**

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## Fiscal Impact

**Fiscal Impact/Cost Summary**

Funding in the amount of $333,076 (and potentially a maximum amount of $399,691) will be available within the Behavioral Health Grant Fund (93027) for Fiscal Year 2022-2023. There is a Broward County cash match requirement of $3,857 for this funding.