

**COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA ITEM TRANSMITTAL**

(1) DEPARTMENT Public Health Department		(2) MEETING DATE April 11, 2006		(3) CONTACT/PHONE Nancy Rosen (805) 781-5518	
(4) SUBJECT Approve State AIDS Master Grant Agreement Amendment, a budget adjustment of \$179,842, an amendment to the AIDS Support Network's contract for FY 05-06 and authorize Health Officer to sign future amendments and renewals under this agreement. <i>(Clerk's File)</i>					
(5) SUMMARY OF REQUEST In FY 2004-05, the State office AIDS awarded San Luis Obispo County a renewal three-year contract to conduct new and ongoing local HIV prevention programming for FY 2004 through 2007 as part of the AIDS Master Grant Agreement (MGA). The MGA is being augmented one-time only for FY 2004-2005 for an increase of \$179,842 for HIV prevention activities. Therefore a budget augmentation is being requested for \$179,842. The AIDS Support Network (ASN) is one of the subcontractors for HIV prevention activities. They provide prevention services to HIV positive people to keep them from transmitting HIV to their partners. They also provide HIV prevention services to men who have sex with men. ASN's subcontract is being augmented through these additional funds by \$72,674. Funds will also be distributed to the other HIV prevention subcontractors EOC, Planned Parenthood and County Drug and Alcohol Services. Public Health is requesting that the Health Officer be authorized to sign future amendments and renewals under this agreement and contract that do not increase the level of General fund support required for the program.					
(6) RECOMMENDED ACTION It is recommended that the Board approve these agreements.					
(7) FUNDING SOURCE(S) N/A		(8) CURRENT YEAR COST \$ 87,157		(9) ANNUAL COST \$266,999	
(10) BUDGETED? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO					
(11) OTHER AGENCY/ADVISORY GROUP INVOLVEMENT (LIST): San Luis Obispo County HIV Prevention, Advocacy and Care Consortium					
(12) WILL REQUEST REQUIRE ADDITIONAL STAFF? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, How Many? <input type="checkbox"/> Permanent _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Limited Term _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Contract _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Temporary Help _____					
(13) SUPERVISOR DISTRICT(S) 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, <u>All</u>			(14) LOCATION MAP <input type="checkbox"/> Attached <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A		
(15) AGENDA PLACEMENT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consent <input type="checkbox"/> Hearing (Time Est. _____) <input type="checkbox"/> Presentation <input type="checkbox"/> Board Business (Time Est. _____)			(16) EXECUTED DOCUMENTS <input type="checkbox"/> Resolutions (Orig + 4 copies) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Contracts (Orig + 4 copies) <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinances (Orig + 4 copies) <input type="checkbox"/> N/A		
(17) NEED EXTRA EXECUTED COPIES? <input type="checkbox"/> Number: _____ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Attached <input type="checkbox"/> N/A			(18) APPROPRIATION TRANSFER REQUIRED? <input type="checkbox"/> Submitted <input type="checkbox"/> 4/5th's Vote Required <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A		
(19) ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE REVIEW <p align="center"><i>OK Dan Bulshin</i></p> <p align="right"><i>B-10 4/11/06</i></p>					



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TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Gregory Thomas, M.D., M.P.H., Public Health Department Administrator

DATE: April 11, 2006

SUBJECT: Amended agreements with the State Department of Health Services and AIDS Support Network to expand HIV prevention programs for people at high risk for HIV transmission; and approve the corresponding budget adjustment in the amount of \$179,842 (unanticipated revenue) for FY 2005-06.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board: 1) approve the State AIDS Master Grant Agreement Amendment (Clerk's File) providing additional funds for HIV education programs for FY 2005-06; 2) approve a budget adjustment in the amount of \$179,842 from unanticipated revenue (approval by 4/5 required); 3) approve an amendment to the AIDS Support Network's (ASN's) contract (Clerk's File) with the County to expand HIV education programs, according to a new Scope of Work, for at-risk populations in San Luis Obispo County with some of the additional funds; and 4) authorize the Health Officer to sign future amendments and renewals under this agreement and contract that do not increase the level of General Fund support required for the program.

Discussion

Since 1996, the Public Health Department/AIDS Program has been receiving federal pass-through funds from the State Office of AIDS to implement local HIV education and prevention activities. In FY 2004-05, the State Office of AIDS awarded San Luis Obispo County a renewal three-year contract to conduct new and ongoing local HIV prevention programming for FY 2004 through 2007. The Public Health Department distributed a portion of these funds to community agencies through a competitive Request for Proposal (RFP) process. The process evaluated each candidate's experience both providing HIV prevention and working with specific populations. ASN was selected specifically because of their experience and expertise working with gay and HIV-positive people. The Board of Supervisors approved the Master Grant Agreement (MGA) on January 25, 2005, (Board Agenda Item B12) and ASN's contract for 2005-06 on August 9, 2005 (Board Agenda Item B9).

The attached State MGA Amendment increases the total FY 2005-06 allocation for this three-year agreement (FY 2004-07) from \$481,374 to \$661,216, for an increase of \$179,842 for County prevention activities. The County received this money through a State Legislative Budget Item #4260 passed in July 2005. The item increased HIV prevention education funding

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to San Luis Obispo County and 15 other counties for one year only. San Luis Obispo County's MGA amount will return to \$481,374 for FY 2006-07. It was stipulated in the legislation that the money must be used for HIV prevention activities. All four HIV education providers will receive a proportion of the one-year funding. The corresponding ASN contract amendment increases ASN's prevention funding for FY 2005-06 from \$35,220 to \$107,894 to implement the expanded Scope of Work attached to the MGA amendment. For FY 2006-07, ASN will resume its original contracted amount of \$35,220. Expanded Scopes of work are also attached for EOC, Planned Parenthood and County Drug and Alcohol Services. With their additional funds, EOC will expand HIV education to high-risk teen girls, Planned Parenthood will double the number of peer educators they train and support for one year and Drug and Alcohol Services will subcontract with another agency to research and initiate a syringe exchange program in San Luis Obispo County should the Board authorize the implementation of a syringe exchange program.

The overall goal of these programs is to ensure that those at highest risk for contracting or transmitting HIV will receive accurate, up-to-date information and that they will learn skills to help prevent transmission of HIV. AIDS Support Network will provide prevention services to HIV positive people including a retreat and skill-building workshops focused on keeping people with HIV from transmitting it to their uninfected partners. They will also provide HIV information in groups, individually, and through media outlets such as the Internet, newspapers and radio programs targeting men who have sex with men.

Other Agency Involvement/Impact

The San Luis Obispo County HIV Prevention, Advocacy and Care Consortium--consisting of interested community members and agency representatives--reviewed the RFP process and endorses the proposed agreement. The Office of County Counsel has approved the agreement as to form and legal effect.

Financial Considerations

In FY 2004-05, the Public Health Department received \$135,168 in the MGA for prevention activities. Of that funding, the Public Health Department provided ASN \$54,606 for their HIV prevention activities. Three other subcontracting groups, including County Drug and Alcohol Services (D&A), Economic Opportunity Commission (EOC) and Planned Parenthood (PP), received funding in the amounts stipulated in the table below:

Agency	% of total Funding	FY 2004-2005	FY 2005-2006 (before increase)	increase amount	FY 2005-2006 (with increase)	FY 2006-2007
Public Health	10% (of total at bottom)	\$13,517	\$8,716	\$17,984	\$26,700	\$8,716
ASN	40%	\$54,606	\$35,220	\$72,674	\$107,894	\$35,220
D&A	25%	\$32,818	\$21,179	\$43,702	\$64,881	\$21,179
PP	14%	\$19,227	\$12,394	\$25,574	\$37,968	\$12,394
EOC	11%	\$15,000	\$9,648	\$19,908	\$29,556	\$9,648
Total	100.00%	\$135,168	\$87,157	\$179,842	\$266,999	\$87,157

In FY 2005-06, the State of California reduced HIV prevention funding to San Luis Obispo County from \$135,168 to \$87,157. As a result, the Public Health Department reduced ASN's FY 2005-06 prevention funding from \$54,606 to \$35,220. (See all reductions in the fourth column above.)

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Due to a mid-year FY 2005-06 HIV prevention funding increase signed by the Governor, San Luis Obispo County was awarded an unanticipated \$179,842 for FY 2005-06. As a result, each subcontractor was allocated a proportional increase by the Public Health Department. ASN's proportion will go from \$35,220 to \$107,894. No other agency required contract amendments for their increases, and D&A will continue to be paid through interdepartmental transfers. The recommended MGA amendment provides for total payment of actual costs incurred by ASN and the other agencies up to the amended amount. This contract is fully funded by the State Department of Health Services' Office of AIDS for FY 2005-06. At the end of FY 2005-06, the agencies will resume their original funding amounts. For instance, ASN will receive \$35,220 for FY 2006-07.

The County acts as the fiscal intermediary for the funds in these amendments. Approval of this amendment will increase the amount for management and operational costs --10% of the amended Master Grant amount (\$179,842) -- for the Public Health Department's AIDS Program. Accepting these funds will have no effect on the level of General Fund support required by the Public Health Department for FY 2005-2006 or FY 2006-2007.

Results

In FY 2004-05, ASN provided the following services:

- 33 young men who have sex with men were trained in peer education techniques, teaching them communication skills and safer sex strategies to use with partners and peers.
- 25 HIV positive individuals attended three intensive one-day retreats with activities and speakers focused on preventing HIV transmission to uninfected partners, communicating with partners about their HIV status and learning other transmission prevention strategies.
- 213 men who have sex with men received messages promoting safer sex through Internet chat room contacts and safer sex websites.
- 24 men who have sex with men attended one of three workshops covering topics including safer sex, communication skills and overcoming barriers that lead to risky sexual behavior.

In FY 2005-06, ASN had planned to reduce their intended results slightly to accommodate a decrease in funding from FY 2004-05 before the County received this amended amount. Instead, they will increase and reprioritize their services and aim to provide the following services:

- 30 young men who have sex with men will be trained in peer education techniques, teaching them communication skills and safer sex strategies to use with partners and peers.
- 30 HIV positive individuals will attend three intensive one-day retreats with activities and speakers focused on preventing HIV transmission to uninfected partners, communicating with partners about their HIV status and learning other transmission prevention strategies.
- 350 men who have sex with men will receive messages promoting safer sex through Internet chat room contacts and safer sex websites.

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- 30 men who have sex with men will attend one of four workshops covering topics including safer sex, communication skills and overcoming barriers that lead to risky sexual behavior.
- 6 HIV-positive individuals will undergo a training to share their experience of living with HIV to at-risk community members and other HIV-positive individuals.

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