Sierra County
Board of Supervisors’
Agenda Transmittal &
Record of Proceedings

MEETING DATE: January 21, 2020
TYPE OF AGENDA ITEM: ☒Regular ☐Timed ☐Consent

DEPARTMENT: Behavioral Health
APPROVING PARTY: Lea Salas, Administrative Director
PHONE NUMBER: (530) 993-6746

AGENDA ITEM: Resolution authorizing receipt of one-time funding to initiate Whole Person Care Capacity

SUPPORTIVE DOCUMENTS ATTACHED: ☒Memo ☒Resolution ☐Agreement ☒Other
Approval letter

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: Please see attached memo.

FUNDING SOURCE: 0515670
GENERAL FUND IMPACT: No General Fund Impact
OTHER FUND:

AMOUNT: $440,139.43 N/A

ARE ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL REQUIRED? ☐Yes, -- -- ☒No

IS THIS ITEM ALLOCATED IN THE BUDGET? ☐Yes ☒No

IS A BUDGET TRANSFER REQUIRED? ☒Yes ☐No

SPACE BELOW FOR CLERK’S USE

BOARD ACTION: ☐Approved ☐Approved as amended ☐Adopted ☐Adopted as amended ☐Denied ☐Other ☐No Action Taken

☐Set public hearing For: ________________
☐Direction to: ________________
☐Referral to: ________________
☐Continued to: ________________
☐Authorization given to: ________________

Resolution 2020- ____________
Agreement 2020- ____________
Ordinance ________________

Vote: ☐Ayes: ☐Noes: ☐Abstain: ☐Absent:
☐By Consensus

COMMENTS:

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CLERK TO THE BOARD DATE
Memorandum

To: Sierra County Board of Supervisors  
From: Lea Salas, Administrative Director  
Reference: Agenda Item  
Date of memo: January 13, 2020  
Date of Board Meeting: January 21, 2020  

Requested Action: Resolution authorizing receipt of one-time funding to initiate Whole Person Care Capacity

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Background Information: In November 2016, California implemented Whole Person Care Pilots to address the needs of high risk populations. Since then 25 counties have successfully implemented a customized program that coordinates health, behavioral health and social services to improve Medi-Cali beneficiary’s health outcomes. Small counties were encouraged to apply for these pilots in November of 2019. Sierra County Behavioral Health sent a letter of interest to not only to partner with Social Services and Health, but to include High Sierra Family Resource Center and the Loyalton Senior Center to meet the needs of those mutually served individuals in our community programs with the goal of improving health and wellbeing for the underserved populations.

Some of the areas that we are looking at to utilize these funds are Housing services and supports, program governance, training, data collection and analysis, marketing materials, recuperative care, respite care, activities of daily living, staffing, consultants, health navigators to name a few.

On December 26, 2019 the department received a notification that our letter of intent was accepted. Sierra County’s allocation is $440,139.43 to be used to develop and implement this program. The County is given 5 years to spend these funds with a final expenditure report due 90 days after the full expenditure of said funds. The County may spend these funds within the first year or anytime within the 5 years.

We are requesting that we are given the opportunity to work with our community partners to develop a plan to bring back before the Board for approval to proceed. In the interim we are required to submit the attached resolution as a final funding agreement for these one-time funds.

Potential Issues to consider:

Alternatives or Impacts of disapproval:
December 26, 2019

Lea Salas, Administrative Director of Behavioral Health
Sierra County Behavioral Health
P.O. Box 265
Loyalton, CA 96118

APPROVAL FOR ONE-TIME FUNDING TO INITIATE WHOLE PERSON CARE CAPACITY

Dear Ms. Salas:

The purpose of this letter is to notify you that the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) has approved your request for One-Time Funding to Initiate Whole Person Care Capacity within your county.

Please submit a signed Board of Supervisors Resolution by January 31, 2020. The allocation of funds totaling $440,139.43 is expected to be processed no later than March 31, 2020 and will be available for final encumbrance or expenditure by June 30, 2025.

A final evaluation and summary report is due 90 days after the full expenditure of funding. The report shall include the disposition of funds, the services provided and the number of individuals served.

If you have any questions regarding this approval, please contact the 1115WholePersonCare@dhcs.ca.gov mailbox.

Sincerely,

Dana Durham
Policy and Medical Monitoring Branch Chief
Managed Care Quality Monitoring Division
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF SIERRA, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE MATTER OF AUTHORIZING RECEIPT OF ONE-TIME FUNDING TO INITIATE WHOLE PERSON CARE CAPACITY

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-

WHEREAS, California’s Whole Person Care Pilot Program coordinates health, behavioral health and social services in a patient-centered manner with the goal of improved beneficiary health and well-being.

WHEREAS, Low-income and/or Medi-CAL populations are more likely to experience a multitude of health, behavioral health, and social needs, requiring them to seek care across multiple and fragmented systems.

WHEREAS, the need for a Whole Person Care approach arose due to unmet social, behavioral health, and health needs within vulnerable populations, and from the existing fragmentation of organization and financing of current health and human services systems.

WHEREAS, California has successfully worked with twenty-five (25) Whole Person Care Pilot programs to provide target populations with a range of comprehensive services and supports to address unmet needs and improve the quality and outcomes of high-risk populations.

WHEREAS, the 2019-20 Governor’s Budget encourages additional counties to initiate Whole Person Care-like pilot capacity with a one-time funding allocation and multi-year spending authority through June 30, 2025 from the Mental Health Services Fund.

WHEREAS, the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) will provide start-up funding to counties that are not currently participating in the state’s Whole Person Care Pilot program based on a county’s demonstration of interest and letters of support from local partners within the county.

WHEREAS, the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) has approved Sierra County’s request for One-Time funding to Initiate Whole Person Care Capacity and has been allocated $440,139.43.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Sierra County Board of Supervisors authorizes receipt of one-time funding to initiate Whole Person Care Capacity.

ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Sierra, State of California on the 21st day of January, 2020, by the following vote:

AYES: Supervisors
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

COUNTY OF SIERRA

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JIM BEARD, CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

ATTEST:

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HEATHER FOSTER
CLERK TO THE BOARD

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DAVID PRENTICE
COUNTY COUNSEL