



Legislation Text

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Item:

Contract Amendment for Evaluation Services with University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Date of BOCC Meeting: October 14, 2019

Request for Board Action:

The Board is requested to authorize the County Manager to amend the service contract with the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill for the Durham County Integrated Reentry Program in the amount of \$108,890 (for a total amount of \$133,167) and authorize the County Manager to execute any related contracts, such as amendments, not to exceed budgeted appropriations. The contract amendment has been reviewed and approved by County Legal Department.

In September 2018, the Durham County Criminal Justice Resource Center received a three-year grant from the US Department of Justice to create an Integrated Reentry Program for persons in the Durham County Detention Facility who have been identified with co-occurring mental illness and substance use disorders. The program is designed to enhance existing jail- and community-based support services. A critical (and mandated) component of the project is Program Evaluation. Evaluation of programming is not only best practice, but also vital to ensure the interventions have the intended impact and function as effectively and efficiently as possible. Durham County had entered into a contract with UNC School of Social Work to provide assistance during the Planning Phase of the project. The proposed contract amendment will extend the initial contract agreement to cover the Implementation Phase of the project, which will begin in October 2019 and cover the second and third year of the federal grant.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This agenda item aligns with Durham County's Strategic Plan Goal 3, Safe Community, and Goal 5, Accountable, Efficient and Visionary Government.

Resource Persons: Gudrun Parmer, Criminal Justice Resource Center Director

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board of County Commissioners authorize the County Manager to amend the service contract with the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill for the Durham County Integrated Reentry Program in the amount of \$108,890 and authorize the County Manager to execute any related contracts, such as amendments, not to exceed budgeted appropriations.

County Manager: _____