Executive Summary Form

Agenda Number:3843 (CONTRACT NAME: Health Start)

Recommendation:

Approve contract amendment: ADHS15-096693:2, Health Start Program, between the Arizona Department of Health Services, Bureau of Women's & Children's Health, and Cochise Health & Social Services to extend the contract period from 7/1/2018 to 6/30/2019 in the annual amount of $306,185. This is the fourth year of our contract; the contract amount has not changed.

Background (Brief):

The CHSS Maternal Child Health (MCH) Program has received the Health Start grant for the past 25 years and promotes healthy families and pregnancies among County residents. The grant serves women with a risk factor for pregnancy and post partum issues. The purpose is to reduce those risks through a community health worker program where medically trained community members act as a guide and mentor starting with the pregnancy and ending after the first two years of the child's life.

According to ADHS Maternal and Child Health data, Cochise County has the third highest rate of low birth weight infants in Arizona. As such, both mothers and children are at higher risk for preventable negative health outcomes. According to 2010 Census data there are approximately 3,000 families in Cochise County with children under age 5. In 2016-2017 the Health Start Program served approximately 8% of those families. Even the combined capacity of four other home visiting programs in Cochise County (ESBF CPAT, CFR Healthy Families, CPC Early Head Start and FH New Parent Support), we cannot reach even half of the families who need these services.

Fiscal Impact & Funding Sources:

This is a grant-funded, fixed price program from the Arizona Department of Health Services in the amount of $306,185. Based on a twelve-month July-June funding cycle, the aggregate grant amount will be $306,185 in FY 18/19.

The net county subsidy is calculated as follows (projected salaries/EREs are for the twelve-month funding cycle and reflect current staffing levels):

Budgeted Salaries/EREs		277,203
A--87 Overhead at	54.87%	152,101
Collected Overhead at	2.50%	6,930
Net County Subsidy		145,171

Next Steps/Action Items/Follow-up:

Your approvals are respectfully requested.

Impact of Not Approving:

Not approving this grant will cause the cessation of this value-added program to at-risk pregnant women and parenting families in Cochise County. The Health Start Program provided by Cochise County served 230 families providing 2,500 home visits during fiscal year July 2016-June 2017 in large and small communities all over the county.