



Pinellas County

Staff Report

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Subject:

Termination of the agreement for convenience with Directions for Mental Health, Inc. d/b/a Directions for Living, Inc. for the Pinellas County Empowerment Team 2.0.

Recommended Action:

Approval of the termination of the agreement for convenience with Directions for Mental Health, Inc. d/b/a Directions for Living, Inc. (Directions) for the Pinellas County Empowerment Team (PCET) 2.0.

- On April 5, 2024, Directions communicated that they were no longer able to provide services as originally proposed in response to the request for proposal. Given the nature of this program and the population it serves, Human Services concurs with enacting termination for convenience.
- Throughout the term of the contract, Pinellas County and Directions met bi-weekly to support program implementation.
- The Board of County Commissioners awarded this contract on November 15, 2022, in the amount of \$1,942,500.00 for the staff of PCET 2.0 to provide intensive case management to clients identified by Pinellas County Human Services who have severe and persistent mental illness and have disproportionately accessed public resources, such as the public crisis stabilization unit/receiving facility and the County jail.
- Termination of this agreement will have no fiscal impact on Pinellas County.

Contract No. 22-0292-P in the current total approved amount of \$1,942,500.00.

Strategic Plan:

2.1 Provide planning, coordination, prevention, and protective services to ensure a safe and secure community

2.2 Be a facilitator, convener, and purchaser of services for those in need

Foster Continual Economic Growth and Vitality

4.2 Invest in communities that need the most

Deliver First Class Services to the Public and Our Customers

5.1 Maximize partner relationships and public outreach

5.2 Be responsible stewards of the public's resources

5.3 Ensure effective and efficient delivery of county services and support

Summary:

Termination for convenience providing thirty days' notice will terminate the contract with Directions for Mental Health Inc. d/b/a Directions for Living, Inc. for the Pinellas County Empowerment Team 2.0 as recommended by the County's Human Services Department.

Background Information:

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Termination of this contract without cause with thirty days prior written notice to the contractor of the intention to terminate is in accordance with Section 8 (Termination) subsection C (Termination for Convenience) of the agreement.

Fiscal Impact:

Estimated three-year expenditure not to exceed:	\$1,942,500.00
Annual not-to-exceed amount:	\$ 647,500.00

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Staff Member Responsible:

Karen Yatchum, Director, Human Services
Merry Celeste, Division Director, Purchasing and Risk, Administrative Services
Joe Lauro, Director, Administrative Services.

Partners:

N/A

Attachments:

N/A