CALIFORNIA HEALTH FACILITIES FINANCING AUTHORITY (Authority) Investment in Mental Health Wellness Program for Children and Youth First Amendment to Resolution No. CY 2021-09 (Second Funding Round)

County of Tulare September 29, 2022

PURPOSE OF THE REQUEST:

The County of Tulare (County) is requesting the Authority approve an amendment to Resolution Number CY 2021-09 to amend the milestone conditions and extend the grant period expiration date for its Investment in Mental Health Wellness Grant Program for Children and Youth (Welf. & Inst. Code, §5848.5) (CY) project.

ISSUE:

The County will not be able to meet the milestone condition deadlines of (1) being open and operational by September 30, 2022, and (2) submitting all disbursement documentation by December 31, 2022. The County began recruiting staff for the mobile crisis support team (MCST) in February 2022 but had difficulties hiring candidates that met the qualifications for the positions. In April 2022, due to the difficulties in hiring staff for the MCST, the County made the decision to contract with a service provider that will be able to staff and operate the MCST program. An MCST service provider has been identified, and the County anticipates the contract will be executed with the service provider before January 2023, and the service provider will hire staff before March 2023. Additionally, due to the hiring difficulties, the County postponed the purchase of the MCST vehicle. The County now anticipates that the MCST vehicle will be purchased before November 2022, with delivery of the vehicle before May 2023.

The County has submitted an updated timeline and is requesting (1) to amend its milestone condition deadline of being open and operational to June 30, 2023, and (2) to amend its milestone condition deadline to submit all disbursement documentation to September 30, 2023. This extension will give the County the time needed to execute the service provider contract, purchase the MCST vehicle and for the service provider to hire staff and begin providing services.

BACKGROUND:

The Authority approved a final allocation on April 29, 2021, awarding the County grant funds in an amount not to exceed \$494,785 to add at least two new MCSTs by purchasing one new vehicle and hiring four and a quarter new full-time equivalent staff. The MCSTs are expected to serve children and youth 21 years of age and younger by providing crisis response, assessment and intervention, and linkage to community resources and to serve approximately 1,512 children and youth annually. Resolution Number CY 2021-09 was approved, with a grant period expiration date of March 30, 2023, and the following milestones conditions: (1) the County shall provide evidence acceptable to Authority staff demonstrating that the project shall be operational on or before September 30, 2022; (2) funds shall not be disbursed if the County is unable to provide evidence acceptable to Authority staff that the project is on track to be operational on or before September 30, 2022; and (3) the County must submit all capital cost disbursement requests, including required supporting documentation, to the Authority no later than December 31, 2022.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the Authority approve an amendment to Resolution Number CY 2021-09 to amend the milestone conditions and extend the grant period expiration date to December 31, 2023, subject to the following amended milestone conditions:

- 1) The County shall provide evidence acceptable to Authority staff demonstrating that the project shall be operational on or before June 30, 2023, and funds shall not be disbursed if the County is unable to provide evidence acceptable to Authority Staff.
- 2) The County shall submit all capital cost disbursement requests, including required supporting documentation, to the Authority no later than September 30, 2023.

All other conditions in the Resolution shall remain the same and in full effect.

FIRST AMENDMENT TO RESOLUTION NO. CY 2021-09

A RESOLUTION OF THE CALIFORNIA HEALTH FACILITIES FINANCING AUTHORITY APPROVING EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF GRANT FUNDING UNDER THE INVESTMENT IN MENTAL HEALTH WELLNESS GRANT PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH TO THE COUNTY OF TULARE

WHEREAS, The California Health Facilities Financing Authority (the "Authority"), a public instrumentality of the State of California, is authorized by the Investment in Mental Health Wellness Act of 2013 (Welfare and Institutions Code Section 5848.5) as supplemented by Chapter 30, Statutes of 2016 (SB 833), Section 20, the Investment in Mental Health Wellness Grant Program for Children and Youth ("Children and Youth Program") and implementing regulations (California Code of Regulations, Title 4, Division 10, Chapter 7 (commencing with Section 7313)) to award grants for capital funding and personnel funding to finance eligible projects; and

WHEREAS, Authority staff reviewed the application submitted by County of Tulare ("Grantee") against the eligibility requirements of the Children and Youth Program and implementing regulations, and pursuant to the Children and Youth Program and implementing regulations, recommends approval of a grant for the eligible project (the "Project"), which consists of mobile crisis support team capital costs and mobile crisis support team personnel costs, as described in the Grantee's application and as more particularly described in Exhibit A to this Resolution (Exhibit A is hereby incorporated by reference); and

WHEREAS, the Legislature has and may continue to appropriate funds for mobile crisis support team personnel costs in future fiscal years;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the California Health Facilities Financing Authority as follows:

Section 1. The Authority hereby approves a grant for capital costs in the amount of \$29,934.00 to the Grantee to complete the Project within a grant period that ends on March 30, 2023 December 31, 2023. Within this grant period, Grantee shall provide evidence acceptable to Authority staff demonstrating the Project shall be open and operational on or before September 30, 2022. June 30, 2023 and Ffunds shall not be disbursed if Grantee is unable to provide evidence acceptable to Authority staff. that the Project is on track to be open and operational on or before September 30, 2022. Grantee must shall submit all capital cost disbursement requests, including required supporting documentation, to the Authority no later than December 31, 2022 September 30, 2023.

Section 2. The Authority hereby approves a grant for mobile crisis support team personnel costs in the annual amount of \$464,851.00 for the Project for up to five years. Annual grant amounts subsequent to the initial amount granted are subject to availability of annual budget appropriations by the Legislature. The Executive Director, or the Deputy Executive Director, are hereby authorized and directed, for and on behalf of the Authority, to continue to disburse those funds as may be available under the State Budget Act for each fiscal year.

Section 3. The Executive Director, or the Deputy Executive Director, are hereby authorized and directed, for and on behalf of the Authority, to approve any minor, non-material changes in the Project described in the application submitted to the Authority. Nothing in this Resolution shall be construed to require the Authority to provide additional funding, even if more grants are approved, exceeding available funding. Any notice to the Grantee shall indicate that the Authority shall not be liable to the Grantee in any manner whatsoever should such funding not be available for any reason whatsoever.

Section 4. The Executive Director, or the Deputy Executive Director, are hereby authorized and directed, for and on behalf of the Authority, to disburse funds not to exceed those amounts approved by the Authority for the Grantee. The Executive Director, or the Deputy Executive Director, are further authorized and directed, for and on behalf of the Authority, to execute and deliver to the Grantee any and all documents necessary to complete the disbursement of funds that are consistent with the Children and Youth Program and implementing regulations.

<u>Section 5.</u> The Executive Director, or Deputy Executive Director, are hereby authorized and directed, for and on behalf of the Authority, to do any and all things and to execute and deliver any and all documents which the Executive Director, or the Deputy Executive Director, deems necessary or advisable in order to effectuate the purposes of this Resolution and the transactions contemplated hereby.

Section 6. All funds from this grant must be used in support of the County's mobile crisis support team program for children and youth.

Date Approved:		

EXHIBIT A

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The proceeds of the grant will be used by the County of Tulare (County) as follows:

Mobile Crisis Support Team

The County will add at least two new mobile crisis support teams by purchasing one new vehicle and hiring four and a quarter new full-time equivalent staff that may include four full-time clinical social workers and one part-time licensed clinical social worker supervisor. The County may use grant funds, in accordance with Section 7315 of the Children and Youth Program regulations, to finance eligible costs in support of the County's mobile crisis support team program for children and youth.

Summary of Amounts:

Program		Approved Grant Amounts	
Mobile Crisis Support Team – Capital Funding	\$	29,934.00	
Mobile Crisis Support Team – Personnel Funding		464,851.00	
Total:	\$	494,785.00	