



Legislation Text

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TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Allison Haley - District Attorney
REPORT BY: Sophie Johnson - Staff Services Manager
SUBJECT: Approval of Amendment No. 1 to Agreement No. 230188B with NEWS

RECOMMENDATION

District Attorney requests approval of and authorization for the Chair to sign Amendment No. 1 to Agreement No. 230188B with Napa Emergency Women's Services (NEWS), to increase the maximum compensation to \$67,350, for the term July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023 for staffing at the Monarch Justice Center.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Today's recommended action is to approve Amendment No. 1 to Agreement No. 230188B with NEWS, increasing the contract maximum by \$7,350 to a new maximum of \$67,350. The agreement is fully grant funded, from the Kaiser Foundation Hospitals, Northern California Region, community benefit fund for the Monarch (Family) Justice Center, with no impact to the County General Fund.

FISCAL & STRATEGIC PLAN IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact?	Yes
Is it currently budgeted?	Yes
Where is it budgeted?	District Attorney
Is it Mandatory or Discretionary?	Discretionary
Discretionary Justification:	The County received a grant from the Kaiser Foundation Hospitals, Northern California Region, community benefit fund to be utilized on the Monarch Justice Center. NEWS was identified as a partner agency, to provide a navigator for client needs assessment and navigate the services available in Napa County for victims of crime. The agreement is fully grant funded, with no impact to the County General Fund.
Is the general fund affected?	No

Future fiscal impact: There is no future fiscal impact
Consequences if not approved: If the requested action is not approved, NEWS will not be able to provide the staff and operating supplies required to better serve victims of crime in Napa County.
County Strategic Plan pillar addressed: Healthy, Safe, and Welcoming Place to Live, Work, and Visit

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The proposed action is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines) and therefore CEQA is not applicable.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

For several years, a collaborative effort has been underway between the District Attorney, local community-based service provider organizations, law enforcement, adult protective services, and the Health and Human Services Agency to develop a model for a Family Justice Center. The model would best serve vulnerable victims of crime in Napa County. In 2018, the District Attorney’s office received grant funding of \$400,000 from California Office of Emergency Services (Cal-OES), Family Justice Center Program, for an emerging Family Justice Center in Napa County. That was the beginning of the Monarch Justice Center, Napa County’s Family Justice Center. The Monarch Justice Center is located in Aldea Children and Family Services' building on First Street in downtown Napa, which also houses the County's Courage Center Program, a nationally accredited Child Advocacy Center serving child victims of crime and their family members.

The Monarch Justice Center has continued to seek further grant funds to support the victims of crime in Napa County. In January 2022 the Kaiser Foundation Hospitals, Northern California Region, community benefit fund, awarded \$100,000 to Napa County District Attorney’s Office for the Monarch Justice Center.

With this grant, NEWS was contracted to provide staff and office operating costs for the Monarch Justice Center.

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