

AGENDA REQUEST & STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: July 23, 2025

SUBJECT: Approval of an intergovernmental agreement with the Oregon Health Authority for the funding of PATH services #PO-44300-00043924

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

Move approval of Document No. 2025-720, an intergovernmental agreement with the Oregon Health Authority for the funding of PATH services.

BACKGROUND AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

The Oregon Health Authority (OHA) Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) 44300-0026008 was approved by the Board of County Commissioners in February of 2024. That IGA outlined the services, reporting requirements and funding for Community Mental Health, Addiction Treatment, Recovery and Prevention, and Problem Gambling Services for Deschutes County for the period January 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025. OHA has communicated its intention to extend that IGA for an additional six months through December 31, 2025. OHA, however, will be providing separate agreements for several services elements, SE 39 being one of them.

This new IGA outlines the services, reporting requirements, and funding for projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness (PATH) Services (SE) 39 for the period July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2027. The goal of the PATH services program is to reduce or eliminate homelessness for individuals with serious mental illness and/or have a co-occurring substance use disorder. PATH funds are used to provide a menu of allowable services which are not supported by mainstream mental health programs—those servies include securing safe and stable housing.

BUDGET IMPACTS:

The IGA provides funding in the amount of \$193,874 over two years from July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2027. The annual funding is \$96,937 per fiscal year and is \$4,471 (4.4%) less than the \$101,405 provided through the previous IGA for fiscal year (FY) 2025.

ATTENDANCE: Kara Cronin, Behavioral Health Program Manager