

AGENDA REQUEST & STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: September 25, 2024

SUBJECT: Approval of an Interlocal Agreement with the Cities of Bend and Redmond to support a Behavioral Health Specialist position on the Mobile Crisis Team

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

Move to authorize the County Administrator to sign Document No. 2024-728, an intergovernmental agreement with the Cities of Bend and Redmond to support a Behavioral Health Specialist position on the Mobile Crisis Team.

BACKGROUND AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

In October of 2022, the Board of County Commissioners approved an agreement between the City of Bend (City) and Deschutes County Health Services whereby the City granted American Rescue Plan Act funding to expand the Mobile Crisis Team response to mental health crises in the community. Funding supported a Behavioral Health Specialist I position through January 31, 2025 (as amended), which increased the ability for the Mobile Crisis Team to respond to certain calls without law enforcement.

To continue this work, the City of Bend will provide \$60,000 of its opioid settlement fund allocation, the City of Redmond will provide \$30,000, and the Deschutes County Sheriff's Office will contribute \$30,000. Together, these funds will support a Behavioral Health Specialist I position through December 31, 2025.

BUDGET IMPACTS:

\$90,000 revenue in addition to a \$30,000 transfer from the Sherrif's Office to Health Services (formal budget resolution forthcoming).

ATTENDANCE:

Holly Harris, Behavioral Health Director