

# SANTA BARBARA COUNTY BOARD AGENDA LETTER



Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
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## Agenda Number:

**Prepared on:** 5/13/99  
**Department Name:** Alcohol, Drug & Mental Health  
**Department No.:** 043  
**Agenda Date:** May 25, 1999  
**Placement:** Administrative  
**Estimate Time:**  
**Continued Item:** NO  
**If Yes, date from:**

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Merna McMillan, Ph.D., Director  
Alcohol, Drug & Mental Health Services(ADMHS)

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**SUBJECT:** Subsidy Funding for MHAT Services Contracts

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## Recommendation(s):

That the Board of Supervisors:

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- A. Approve an agreement with the City of Lompoc for providing **Mental Health Assessment Team (MHAT)** services for the period of July 1, 1998 through June 30, 1999 and receiving revenue in the amount of \$10,845.
- B. Execute the above agreement to be effective retroactive to July 1, 1998.

## Alignment with Board Strategic Plan:

The recommendation(s) are primarily aligned with Goal No. 2. A Safe and Healthy Community in Which to Live, Work, and Visit.

## Executive Summary and Discussion:

On June 23, 1998, the Board of Supervisors approved a contract between Alcohol, Drug & Mental Health Services (ADMHS) and American Medical Response (AMR) for the provision of Mental Health Assessment Team (MHAT) services. MHAT services benefit the cities by reducing the time spent by city emergency services departments – primarily law enforcement – when dealing with the crisis intervention and hospitalization of people in distress. Because of these benefits, the County receives subsidy funding for this contract from the

individual cities. These municipalities have agreed to continue to assist in offsetting the total costs associated with the MHAT services program for FY 98-99.

The amounts contributed are based upon previously negotiated amounts with a 2% annual COLA. The amount of contributions for the City of Lompoc for FY 98-99 is \$10,845. This amount is paid to ADMHS directly and is identified in the revenue section of the FY 98-99 approved budget.

Contracts with the cities of Buellton, Carpinteria, Guadalupe, Santa Barbara, and Santa Maria were approved by Your Board on March 23, 1999. Additional contracts with the City of Solvang, and the Santa Barbara Regional Health Authority are currently in negotiation.

**Mandates and Service Levels:**

Alcohol, Drug and Mental Health Services are mandated by the Welfare and Institutions code, section 5600.

**Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

This contract has no impact on the General Fund.

There is no facilities impact from these contracts.

**Special Instructions:**

Please forward the fully executed second original signature page of each contract and one copy of the Minute Order to:

Santa Barbara County  
Alcohol, Drug & Mental Health Services  
ATTN: Contracts Department  
300 N. San Antonio Road  
Santa Barbara, CA 93110

**Concurrence:**

Auditor-Controller  
County Counsel  
Risk Management