

April 17, 2007

Marin County Board of Supervisors  
3501 Civic Center Drive  
San Rafael, CA 94903

**SUBJECT: Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health requests approval of FY 2006-07 contract with Marin AIDS Project for \$192,059 to provide HIV education and prevention services. (Renewal)**

Dear Supervisors:

**RECOMMENDATION:**

1. Authorize the President to execute FY 06-07 contract renewal with Marin AIDS Project for \$192,059.

**SUMMARY:** The State Office of AIDS included \$206,059 in funding for the provision of HIV education and prevention services to Marin County residents in the third and final year of Master Agreement 04-35359. Outreach activities and HIV prevention education will be provided to Marin residents at high risk for HIV infection.

**COMMUNITY BENEFITS:** Through this proposed contract, the community-based organization will provide HIV prevention and education services to high-risk populations in Marin County with a focus on acknowledging the risk factors for HIV infection, reducing risky behaviors, and encouraging individuals to know their HIV status. Activities include skills-building workshops, comprehensive risk counseling, street outreach, online outreach for HIV negative individuals, and individual prevention interventions and skills building workshops for persons living with HIV/AIDS.

**CONTRACTOR PERFORMANCE:** In FY 2005-06, Marin AIDS Project met or exceeded all contract milestones and reported 85% of those attending HIV negative support groups acknowledged at least one high risk behavior and 60% demonstrated an interest in HIV testing. Of those attending skills-building workshops, 100% acknowledged a risk factor for HIV infection, 77% committed to reduce their high risk behaviors, 73% acknowledged the connection between substance use and an increased risk of HIV infection, and 35% demonstrated an interest in HIV Testing. Eighty-four percent (84%) of the online contacts acknowledged risk factors for HIV infection and 63% committed to reduce risk behaviors. Thirty three individual level interventions were made with men who have sex with men who use crystal methamphetamine. All reported risk factors for infection and 88% were referred to HIV antibody testing. Seventy-nine percent (79%) of HIV+ individuals receiving individual level interventions reported a positive behavior change as a result of the intervention. Finally eighty-six percent (86%) of HIV+ individuals who attended the weekend skills building retreats reported a positive change in attitudes, beliefs, or behaviors.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** There is no increase in net County cost as a result of this action. Funds are budgeted in the HIV/AIDS Services Fund Center 1000102000. The expense will be reimbursed by funds through the California State Office of AIDS Master Agreement.

<b>REVIEWED BY:</b>	Auditor Controller	[ ]	N/A	[ X ]
	County Counsel	[ ]	N/A	[ X ]
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Respectfully submitted,

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