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FINAL COMMITTEE AGENDA

HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

TUESDAY, JULY 22, 2025

1:30 PM

Chair: Heather Edelson, District 6
Vice Chair: Angela Conley, District 4
Members: Jeff Lunde, District 1
Irene Fernando, District 2
Marion Greene, District 3
Debbie Goettel, District 5
Kevin Anderson, District 7

1. Minutes from Previous Meeting

1.A. June 24, 2025 Meeting Minutes

Attachments: [HS-COMMITTEEMINUTES-24-Jun-2025](#)

2. New Business

Routine Items

2.A. [25-0270](#)

Human Services & Public Health resolution, including contracts and amendments to contracts with provider - 2510

Attachments: [HSPH Board Report 2510 7-17-2025](#)

2.B. [25-0271](#)

Amd 1 to JPA A2412454 with the City of Bloomington to modify existing services of the Hennepin County Embedded Social Worker Program, 07/01/25-12/31/26

2.C. [25-0272](#)

JPA A2512918 with the MN Dept of Veterans Affairs to provide 1.0 FTE Senior Veteran's Social Worker to address the need of income solutions for veterans, 07/01/25-06/30/26, \$100,000 (recv)

2.D. [25-0269](#)

JPA A2512919 with the MN Dept Veteran Affairs for mutual cooperation and funding for services for veterans experiencing homelessness, 07/01/25-06/30/26, \$300,000 (recv)

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Board Action Request

TMP-25-0498

Item Description:

June 24, 2025 Meeting Minutes

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COMMITTEE MINUTES

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Commissioner Heather Edelson, Chair, called the meeting of the Human Services Committee for Tuesday, June 24, 2025 to order at 3:05 p.m.

Present: Commissioner Angela Conley, Commissioner Irene Fernando, Commissioner Heather Edelson and Commissioner Jeff Lunde

Absent: Commissioner Marion Greene, Commissioner Debbie Goettel and Commissioner Kevin Anderson

1. Minutes from Previous Meeting

1.A. June 3, 2025 Meeting Minutes

APPROVE

Commissioner Jeff Lunde moved, seconded by Commissioner Irene Fernando, to approve the Minutes.

Aye: Commissioner Conley, Commissioner Fernando, Commissioner Edelson and Commissioner Lunde

Absent: Commissioner Greene, Commissioner Goettel and Commissioner Anderson

2. New Business

Routine Items

2.A. [25-0243](#)

Human Services & Public Health resolution, including contracts and amendments to contracts with provider - 2509

CONSENT

Commissioner Heather Edelson moved, seconded by Commissioner Jeff Lunde, to approve the Resolution.

Aye: Commissioner Conley, Commissioner Fernando, Commissioner Edelson and Commissioner Lunde

Absent: Commissioner Greene, Commissioner Goettel and Commissioner Anderson

There being no further business, the Human Services Committee for Tuesday, June 24, 2025 was declared adjourned at 3:06 p.m.

Sheri Selton
Deputy Clerk to the County Board

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Board Action Request

25-0270

Item Description:

Human Services & Public Health resolution, including contracts and amendments to contracts with provider - 2510

Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the contracts, contract amendments and administrative actions of the Human Services & Public Health Department and Department of Community Corrections and Rehabilitation made pursuant to chapters 256E and 393 of Minnesota Statutes, as detailed in Human Services & Public Health Contract Report 2510 be approved; that the report be filed in Contract Management Services; that the Chair of the Board be authorized to sign the contracts, contract amendments, and administrative actions on behalf of the County; and that the Controller be authorized to disburse funds as directed. Such contracts are subject to ministerial adjustment when such adjustments are done within the constraints of the approved Hennepin County Budget and when signed by the County Department Director or Designee.

Background:

The contracted dollar amounts are based on estimates of program costs and/or utilization during prior periods. Funding for each contract is provided for within service categories in the Human Services & Public Health Department and Department of Community Corrections and Rehabilitation approved annual budgets. Occasionally new services are implemented which are not in the budget, but which are fully funded under state or federal grants or other new funding.

Contracted dollar estimates are based upon prior year usage and are subject to fluctuation in placement patterns, service need, and cost shifts. Therefore, it may be necessary to process ministerial adjustments to contracts to increase or decrease contract amounts or to make minor service changes consistent with the department budget and strategic plan. Placement agreements are also processed administratively.

Contracts include services in the following areas: adult mental health; developmental disabilities; chemical health; adult housing; early intervention and family intervention services, interpreter services, health services, welfare advocacy, and various other human services. Expectations for ongoing outcome measurement are included in all new, renewal, or extended contracts. Outcome measures, which are developed by the county and contracted providers, assess the effectiveness of a service and its impact on an eligible recipient's condition or functioning level. Outcome information is used to modify or improve programs as well as to evaluate effectiveness of different types of intervention and providers. A detailed listing of the specific actions requested by this BAR and an explanation of all unusual items is reflected in the summary of the report.

Recommendation from County Administrator: Recommend Approval

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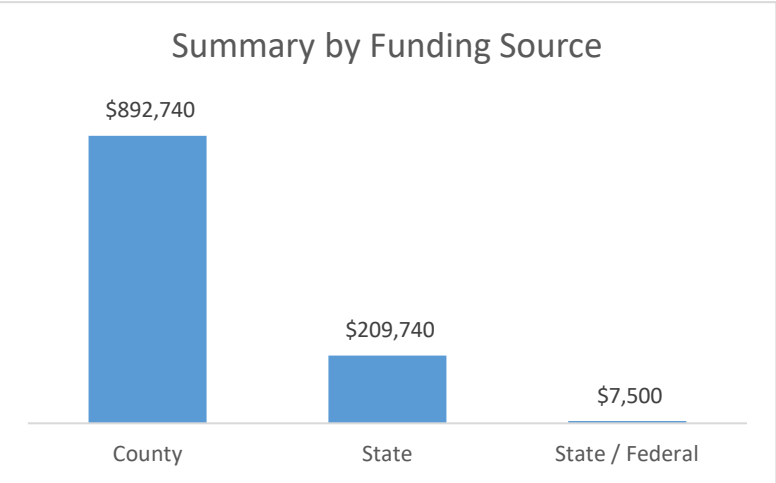
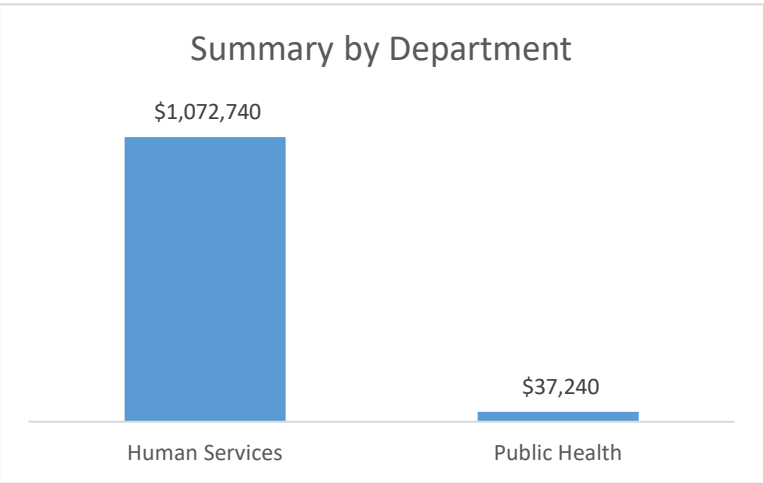
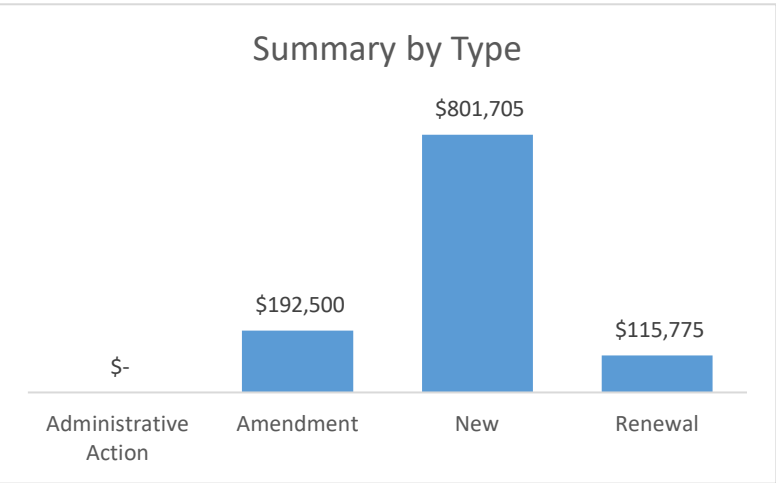
Human Services and Public Health Contract Report #2510

Date: 07/17/2025
To: Clerk of the County Board
From: Human Services and Public Health
Subject: BAR Number 25-0270
Board Action Date: 07/29/2025

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Summary of Contract Actions

Action Type/Department/Service Area	# of Actions	Action Total
Administrative Action		\$0
Amendment	6	\$192,500
Human Services	5	\$185,000
Public Health	1	\$7,500
New	4	\$801,705
Human Services	3	\$791,965
Public Health	1	\$9,740
Renewal	2	\$115,775
Human Services	1	\$95,775
Public Health	1	\$20,000
Grand Total	12	\$1,109,980



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New Contracts		
Department	Number	Amount
Community Corrections and Rehabilitation	0	\$ -
Hennepin Health	0	\$ -
Human Services	3	\$ 791,965
NorthPoint Health & Wellness Center	0	\$ -
Public Health	1	\$ 9,740
Total	4	\$ 801,705

Renewed Contracts		
Department	Number	Amount
Community Corrections and Rehabilitation	0	\$ -
Hennepin Health	0	\$ -
Human Services	1	\$ 95,775
NorthPoint Health & Wellness Center	0	\$ -
Public Health	1	\$ 20,000
Total	2	\$ 115,775

Amended Contracts		
Department	Number	Amount
Community Corrections and Rehabilitation	0	\$ -
Hennepin Health	0	\$ -
Human Services	5	\$ 185,000
NorthPoint Health & Wellness Center	0	\$ -
Public Health	1	\$ 7,500
Total	6	\$ 192,500

Administrative Actions Description	Contract #
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Vendor	Contract #	Service/Outcome	Service Area	Department	Contract Begin Date	Contract End Date	Previous Contract NTE	New Contract NTE	Funding Source	Notes
New Contracts										
Elk River School District - ISD 728	HS00001030	Transportation to and from school for youth in out-of-home placement.	Children & Family Services	Human Services	7/1/2025	6/30/2032	\$0	\$0	County	-
Nexus Family Healing	HS00001796	Short-term residential crisis stabilization programming, including startup programming services, for youth ages 8-18.	Children & Family Services	Human Services	7/1/2025	12/31/2027	\$0	\$591,965	County	-
Inclusive Networking LLC	PR00007523	Lead Agency Capacity Building Grant (LACBG) training for case managers and providers for residents of Hennepin County.	Long-Term Services and Supports & Adult Protection	Human Services	7/1/2025	6/30/2026	\$0	\$200,000	State	Lead Agency Capacity Building Grant funds.
The Salvation Army	PR00007507	Implementation and certification of SuperShelf.	Public Health Strategic Initiatives	Public Health	6/1/2025	10/31/2025	\$0	\$9,740	State	Statewide Health Improvement Partnership funds.
Renewed Contracts										
Genoa Healthcare, LLC	HS00002005	Pharmaceutical services for Human Services and Public Health Services recipients who have prescribed medication for a mental health or health condition.	Public Health Clinical Services	Public Health	7/1/2025	6/30/2029	\$0	\$20,000	County	-
Cornerstone Advocacy Service	HS00002006	Victim Navigation Services for victims of crimes who are not otherwise receiving referrals for services.	Safe Communities	Human Services	7/1/2025	6/30/2027	\$0	\$95,775	County	-
Amended Contracts										
The Family Partnership	HS00000443	CTSS - Outpatient mental health services for children under 21.	Behavioral Health	Human Services	1/1/2020	12/31/2026	\$260,000	\$300,000	County	Extends to 12/31/26 and adds 2026 NTE.
Regents of the University of Minnesota	HS00000444	CTSS - Outpatient mental health services for children under 21.	Behavioral Health	Human Services	1/1/2020	12/31/2026	\$163,000	\$193,000	County	Extends to 12/31/26 and adds 2026 NTE.
Comunidades Latinas Unidas En Servicio, Inc.	HS00000442	CTSS - Outpatient mental health services for children under 21.	Behavioral Health	Human Services	1/1/2020	12/31/2026	\$218,000	\$248,000	County	Extends to 12/31/26 and adds 2026 NTE.
Washburn Center for Children	HS00000445	CTSS - Outpatient mental health services for children under 21.	Behavioral Health	Human Services	1/1/2020	12/31/2026	\$350,000	\$415,000	County	Extends to 12/31/26 and adds 2026 NTE.
Vroon VDB LLC	PR00005921	High Fidelity wraparound training for training and supervision of Hennepin County staff.	Behavioral Health	Human Services	3/1/2024	2/28/2026	\$11,000	\$31,000	County	Increases 2025 NTE and revises budget.
Cribs for Kids, Inc.	PR00006010	Purchase of children's cribs and accessories.	Public Health Family Health	Public Health	3/1/2024	12/31/2028	\$90,300	\$97,800	State / Federal	Increases 2025 NTE. Temporary Assistance for Needy Families and Minnesota Department of Health funds.
Administrative Actions										
None	-	-								

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Board Action Request

25-0271

Item Description:

Amd 1 to JPA A2412454 with the City of Bloomington to modify existing services of the Hennepin County Embedded Social Worker Program, 07/01/25-12/31/26

Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, that Amendment 1 to Joint Powers Agreement A2412454 with the City of Bloomington, updates the agreement language to reduce 1 FTE and associated costs of the Embedded Social Worker Program for the period July 1, 2025 -- December 31, 2026, be approved; and that the Chair of the Board be authorized to sign the amended Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) on behalf of the County.

Background:

In 2019, six cities partnered with Hennepin County's Behavioral Health Area to pilot embedding workers in their police departments for a tailored response to health-related calls in the field. The department requests approval of Amendment 1 which is updating agreement language to reduce by 1 FTE and associated costs. This reduction is requested to adjust the resources allocated to better match the needs of Bloomington and is based on data and discussions about how best to partner across the County, City, and community. One FTE will continue to be available through the updated JPA.

Embedded Social Workers receive referrals from the municipal police departments and dispatch offices who appear to have mental health, substance use, or other needs. The goal of the program is to reduce law enforcement contact, justice involvement, and improve the stability for individuals through engagement, assessment and connection to community-based services in their community.

In 2024, the embedded social worker program received over 7,500 referrals resulting in more than 5,000 connections to community services across 31 police departments and 45 municipalities. While a significant number of people were referred to mental health supports, many needed help across a wide range of Human Services like housing and economic support.

This request supports the county's identified priorities and goals for the disparity reduction Health domain by focusing on achieving health equity where every person feels they have the opportunity to attain their highest health potential, and no one is disadvantaged from achieving this potential because of social position or other socially determined circumstances.

Recommendation from County Administrator: Recommend Approval

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Board Action Request

25-0272

Item Description:

JPA A2512918 with the MN Dept of Veterans Affairs to provide 1.0 FTE Senior Veteran's Social Worker to address the need of income solutions for veterans, 07/01/25-06/30/26, \$100,000 (recv)

Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, that Joint Powers Agreement A2512918 with State of Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs to provide direct services to address income needs of homeless veterans, during the period of July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026, with the receivable amount of \$100,000 be approved; that the Chair of the Board be authorized to sign the agreement on behalf of the county; and that the Controller be authorized to disburse funds as directed; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that sponsorship and acceptance of funding for the program by Hennepin county Board of Commissioners does not imply a continued commitment by Hennepin County for this program when funds are no longer available.

Background:

The Minnesota State Department of Veterans Affairs (MDVA) continues to be committed to reducing and eliminating Veteran Homelessness. Hennepin County has a strong working relationship with MDVA to achieve this goal. The intent of this position is to commit a 1.0 FTE, that will work alongside veteran specific, Housing Stability staff. This position would specifically be focused on income solutions for veterans experiencing homelessness. Plausible solutions would include MDVA Financial Assistance Programs, SSDI solutions, Service-Connected Disability Compensation Benefits, Non-Profit Assistance Programs and Non-Service-Connected Pension Benefits. The amount of this JPA is expected to cover the entire cost of the FTE including fringe benefits. It is fully expected that this agreement is renewed each fiscal year.

Disparity reduction: This request reduces disparities in the housing and income domains by providing assistance and services for people experiencing homelessness. Most often these are people who are members of groups disparately impacted by homelessness and housing instability.

Recommendation from County Administrator: Recommend Approval

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Board Action Request

25-0269

Item Description:

JPA A2512919 with the MN Dept Veteran Affairs for mutual cooperation and funding for services for veterans experiencing homelessness, 07/01/25-06/30/26, \$300,000 (recv)

Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Joint Powers Agreement A2512919 with the State of Minnesota, acting through its Commissioner of the Minnesota Department of Veteran Affairs, for mutual cooperation and accepting funding from the State in order to serve veterans experiencing homelessness, during the period July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026, in the receivable not-to-exceed amount of \$300,000, be approved; that the Chair of the Board be authorized to sign the agreement on behalf of the county; and that the Controller be authorized to disburse funds as directed; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that sponsorship and acceptance of grant funding for this program by the Hennepin County Board of Commissioners does not imply a continuing funding commitment by Hennepin County for this program if these grant funds are not made available or when grant funds are no longer available.

Background:

The State of Minnesota partners with Hennepin County to provide staff for an outreach program to former service members who are currently experiencing homelessness. Under Minnesota Statutes § 471.59, subd. 10, the State is empowered to engage such assistance as deemed necessary. This program is intended to assist the former service members in gaining access to the Homeless Veteran Registry (HVR), while connecting the former service member to the resources needed to secure permanent housing. This is a needed resource for the State to achieve the goal of ending veteran homelessness in Minnesota.

The goal of this agreement is to stably house veterans, provide referrals to ongoing supportive services and veteran specific outreach services. In this agreement Hennepin County provides 3.0 full time employees to work within the county and state to provide the following services to veterans in Hennepin County:

- Provide short-term housing focused assistance to Veterans to connect with internal and/or community resources to help meet their needs. Services will be provided in an ethical and culturally sensitive manner.
- Work with Veterans experiencing homelessness who may have physical, mental health, substance use issues and/or developmental disabilities.
- Work with Veterans experiencing homelessness to refer to housing and/or services.
- After being assigned a case, meet the person, assess the Veteran's needs, note formal and informal supports, and determine where gaps exist. Establish if the gaps can be filled with community resources, or if county resources are needed.

Develop an initial housing focused plan with the veteran to address gaps that exist in the veteran's support system and will link the person with community resources.

- Closely collaborate with the Veterans' Service Office, the Minnesota State Department of Veterans Affairs Homeless Programs Coordinator, the Veteran Homeless Registry Team, the VA CRRC and appropriate Veteran non-profit organizations.

Hennepin County and the Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs (MDVA) have entered into similar Joint Powers Agreements since 2022. Agreement A2211349, which was approved by the County Board (resolution 22-0321) on August 16, 2022. And Agreement A2311818, which was approved on July 18, 2023 (resolution 23-0274). And Agreement A2412378, which was approved on June 25, 2024 (resolution 24-0273).

Current Request: To approve agreement A2512919, a Joint Powers Agreement with the Minnesota Department of Veteran Affairs for mutual cooperation and to accept funding for services for veterans experiencing homelessness, for the term of July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026, in the not-to-exceed receivable amount of \$300,000, to continue funding for 3 Veteran specific housing-focused case managers.

Impact/Outcomes: This funding from the MDVA will allow for more veterans experiencing homelessness to receive housing focused case management services and to move out of homelessness into permanent housing.

Disparity Reduction: This funding supports the County's disparity reduction efforts by providing housing stability for veterans, many of whom are member of groups disparately impacted by homelessness and housing instability. Eligible individuals are provided with critical referrals and services that will address mental health, chemical health, ongoing stability support, financial assistance based on needs, and opportunities for permanent housing. Services are culturally competent and based on evidence-based practices; they build on existing strengths and the person's life goals.

Recommendation from County Administrator: Recommend Approval