



## Legislation Text

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Adopt a resolution recognizing The Center for Higher Purpose as meeting the necessary qualifications to offer Driving Under the Influence services as a new provider in Vacaville

Published Notice Required? Yes ☐ No ☒  
Public Hearing Required? Yes ☐ No ☒

### **DEPARTMENTAL RECOMMENDATION:**

The Department of Health and Social Services recommends that the Board adopt a resolution recognizing The Center for Higher Purpose as meeting the qualifications necessary to offer Driving Under the Influence services as a new provider in Vacaville.

### **SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:**

Title 9, Chapter 3 of the California Code of Regulations outlines the requirements necessary for programs offering services for alcohol and drug impaired drivers. Section 9805 requires that new providers of Driving Under the Influence (DUI) services obtain endorsement from the County Board of Supervisors as part of the vendor's application to the Department of HealthCare Services to demonstrate the need for a new vendor and that the establishment of a new vendor will not jeopardize the fiscal integrity of existing licensed DUI providers in the County.

There is an established need given that the Caminar Healthy Partnership program closed its Vacaville site in May 2019 and, until then, two DUI vendors operated in Vacaville for many years. Additionally, each of the three major cities in the County has historically sustained two DUI programs. The replacement of a vendor also provides a choice for clients. Further, the population in Vacaville has increased 13% in the last 20 years to 100,154 currently from 88,625 individuals in 2000.

The Center for Higher Purpose is a newly established non-profit which seeks to provide DUI services. The program will offer all levels of DUI programs: first offender, 18-month, and the 30-month program. There are no other providers in the County that offer the 30-month program, which is required for individuals with multiple DUIs.

The County's Alcohol and Drug Advisory Board received a presentation on the proposed services at its October 2019 meeting and approved this vendor to move forward in the process.

### **FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

There are no costs associated with endorsing this potential DUI vendor. The County receives a statutorily required 5% payment on gross participant fees for the administration and monitoring of DUI programs.

The costs associated with preparing the agenda item are nominal and absorbed by the department's FY2019/20 Adopted Budget.

### **ALTERNATIVES:**

The Board could choose not to endorse this vendor for DUI services. This is not recommended because it provides additional resources to the community.

**OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:**

No other County agencies are involved in the license approval process. The Department of HealthCare Services will review the vendor's application and provide the final certification.

**CAO RECOMMENDATION:**

APPROVE DEPARTMENTAL RECOMMENDATION