

October 27, 2026

Board of Supervisors
Kern County Administrative Center
1115 Truxtun Avenue
Bakersfield, CA 93301

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO AGREEMENT 227-2026 WITH KERN BRIDGES YOUTH HOMES
TO INCREASE COMPENSATION TO THE CONTRACTOR
(Fiscal Impact: \$270,000; State/Federal; Budgeted; Discretionary; RFP)**

Behavioral Health and Recovery Services (BHRS) requests the approval of Amendment No. 1 to Agreement 227-2026 with Kern Bridges Youth Homes Inc. providing provide Short-Term Residential Therapeutic Program (STRTP) Services in Kern County to modify Exhibit C Funding Schedule to increase compensation to the contractor by \$270,000 for a new amount not to exceed \$345,000.

Agreement 227-2026 signed on June 9, 2026, to provide specialty mental health services for children and adolescents who are deemed to meet this level of care/supervision and have received a completed STRTP certification for placement. Short-Term Residential Therapeutic Program Services will include but may not be limited to individual rehab that utilizes skill building interventions, group rehab interventions, crisis intervention, targeted case management, case consultation, collateral, Therapeutic Behavioral Services (TBS), Intensive Home-Based Services (IHBS), and Intensive Care Coordination (ICC).

Proposed Amendment No. 1 seeks to increase compensation to the Contractor by \$270,000 for a new amount not to exceed \$345,000. The funding increase is necessary due to service utilization exceeding current allocations. Higher-than-anticipated client acuity and placement needs have resulted in greater service delivery than originally projected. Current remaining funds are insufficient to sustain operations throughout the remainder of the contract term. Additional funding is needed to maintain continuity of care and ensure appropriate services for youth in placement.

This Amendment has been reviewed and approved as to form by County Counsel.

Therefore, IT IS RECOMMENDED that the Board approve Amendment No. 1 to Agreement 227-2026 with Kern Bridges Youth Homes Inc. to modify Exhibit C Funding Schedule to increase compensation to the contractor for a new amount not to exceed \$345,000 and authorize the Chairman to sign.

Respectfully submitted,



Alison Burrowes, MA, LCSW
Director

cc: County Administrative Office
County Counsel
Auditor-Controller-County Clerk

AMENDMENT NUMBER ONE

AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

COUNTY OF KERN – KERN BRIDGES YOUTH HOMES INC.

SHORT TERM RESIDENTIAL THERAPEUTIC PROGRAM

THIS AMENDMENT NUMBER ONE is made and entered into on _____, by and between the County of Kern ("County"), a political subdivision of the State of California, as represented by the Behavioral Health and Recovery Services Department ("County", "BHRS" or "Department"), and Kern Bridges Youth Homes Inc. ("Contractor"), a California non-profit corporation, whose principal place of business is located at 1321 Stine Rd., Bakersfield, CA 93309.

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS:

A. On June 9, 2026, County and Contractor entered into Agreement 227-2026 for the term July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027 entitled "Agreement for Professional Services" (hereinafter "Agreement") for the provision of Short-Term Residential Therapeutic Program (STRTP) services in Kern County.

B. County and Contractor wish to amend Agreement 227-2026 to modify Exhibit C, Funding Schedule to increase compensation to the Contractor.

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties mutually agree hereto as follows:

1. "EXHIBIT C, FUNDING SCHEDULE," shall be deleted in its entirety and superseded by EXHIBIT "C" TO AMENDMENT NUMBER ONE, which is attached here to and made a part hereof. All further references to EXHIBIT "C" in the body of the Agreement, or any exhibits thereto, shall be deemed to read Exhibit "C" to AMENDMENT NUMBER ONE.

2. To the extent that they do not conflict with the terms of this "AMENDMENT NUMBER ONE," all other sections and provisions of the Agreement shall remain in full force and effect. In the event there is any inconsistency between the terms hereof and the Agreement, this "AMENDMENT NUMBER ONE" shall control.

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IN WITNESS TO WHICH, each party to this Agreement has signed this Agreement upon the date indicated, and agrees for itself, its employees, officers, partners, and successors, to be fully bound by all terms and conditions of this Agreement.

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:
Behavioral Health and Recovery Services

COUNTY OF KERN
Board of Supervisors

By: Alison Burrowes
Alison Burrowes, MA, LCSW
Director

By: _____
Chairman

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
Office of the County Counsel

KERN BRIDGES YOUTH HOMES INC.

By: Kyle Holmes
Kyle Holmes,
Deputy

By: Bianca Ruiz
Bianca Ruiz, Director of Mental Health Services

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AMENDMENT NUMBER ONE

KERN BRIDGES YOUTH HOMES INC.

SHORT TERM RESIDENTIAL THERAPEUTIC PROGRAM

EXHIBIT C – FUNDING SCHEDULE

JULY 1, 2026 – JUNE 30, 2027

COST CENTER 1670CC	STATE/FEDERAL	TOTAL FUNDING
FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027	ALLOWED	\$75,000
AMENDMENT ONE FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027	ALLOWED	\$270,000
MAXIMUM REIMBURSEMENT		\$345,000

Service Delivery Site(s):

John and Dorothy Almklov House
4301 De Ette Avenue., Bakersfield, CA 93313

SmartCare Program Description
K01C - KERN BRIDGES-ALMKLOV HOUSE

RATE TABLE EFFECTIVE FY 2026-2027				
Code	Description	Unit Duration	Unit Range	Rate
90791	Assessment LPHA (Psychiatric Diagnostic Evaluation)	60 Minutes	31 to 68 Minutes	196.07
T2024	Assessment LPHA (Psychiatric Diagnostic Evaluation) - Switches to T2024 at 68 minutes with 15 minute increments	15 Minutes	≥ 68 Minutes	49.02
H0032	Plan Development (Mental Health Service Plan Developed by Non-Physician)	15 Minutes	8 to 23 Minutes	49.73
96127	Brief Emotional/Behavioral Assessment	60 Minutes	31 to 68 Minutes	196.07
T2024	Brief Emotional/Behavioral Assessment (substitute) - Switches to T2024 at 68 minutes with 15 minute increments	15 Minutes	≥ 68 Minutes	49.02
90832	Individual Therapy (Psychotherapy with Patient)	30 Minutes	16 to 38 Minutes	104.65
90834	Individual Therapy (Psychotherapy with Patient)	45 Minutes	38 to 53 Minutes	156.96
90837	Individual Therapy (Psychotherapy with Patient)	60 Minutes	53 to 68 Minutes	209.30
T2021	Individual Therapy - Switches to T2021 at 68 minutes with 15 minute increments (aligns with claim)	15 Minutes	≥ 68 Minutes	52.32
90853	Group Psychotherapy	50 Minutes	26 to 58 Minutes	39.56
T2021	Group Psychotherapy - Switches to T2021 at 58 minutes with 15 minute increments	15 Minutes	≥ 58 Minutes	9.89
90847	Family Therapy (Family Psychotherapy)	50 Minutes	26 to 58 Minutes	180.60
T2021	Family Therapy (Family Psychotherapy) - Switches to T2021 at 58 minutes with 15 minute increments	15 Minutes	≥ 58 Minutes	45.15
H2017	Psychosocial Rehabilitation - Individual	15 minutes	8 to 23 Minutes	41.00
H2017 HQ	Psychosocial Rehabilitation Group	15 minutes	8 to 23 Minutes	10.00
T1017	TCM/ICC (Targeted Case Management)	15 Minutes	8 to 23 Minutes	39.14
H2019	TBS (Therapeutic Behavioral Services)	15 minutes	8 to 23 Minutes	42.32
T1017	ICC-Assessment/Plan	15 minutes	8 to 23 Minutes	43.81
T1017	ICC-Targeted Case Management	15 minutes	8 to 23 Minutes	43.81
T1017	IHBS	15 minutes	8 to 23 Minutes	44.50
H2011	Crisis intervention	15 minutes	8 to 23 Minutes	42.00

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