



Ocean County Board of Commissioners

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Board Meeting Agenda

Date: November 19, 2025 - 4:00 PM
Location: Administration Building
Room 119
101 Hooper Avenue
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Agenda: Authorizing a one (1) year Competitive Contract extension to Bright Harbor Healthcare to provide continued Behavioral Health Services, for the period of 1/1/2026 through 12/31/2026, in the amount of \$1,382,007.00, with funding contingent upon adoption of the 2026 Temporary County Budget and the 2026 County Budget. (CC2023-152)

Official Resolution#	2025001667
Meeting Date	11/19/2025
Introduced Date	11/19/2025
Adopted Date	11/19/2025
Agenda Item	I-1
CAF #	
Purchase Req. #	CC2023-152
Result	Adopted

COUNTY COMMISSIONER	PRES.	ABS.	MOVE	SEC	AYE	NAY	ABST.
Kelly		✓					
Sadeghi	✓				✓		
Arace	✓				✓		
Bacchione	✓			✓	✓		
Haines	✓		✓		✓		

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS DOCUMENT IS A TRUE, COMPLETE AND ACCURATE COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION, ADOPTED BY OCEAN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, NJ AT THE MEETING REFERENCED THEREON

Michelle I. Gunther

Clerk Of The Board

RESOLUTION

November 19, 2025

WHEREAS, the COUNTY of OCEAN, has funds available for BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES to support community behavioral health providers in an effort to ensure a robust continuum of care available to the residents of Ocean County who experience mental health, substance use, or co-occurring disorders; and

WHEREAS, on December 20, 2023, the Ocean County Board of Commissioners awarded an Agreement to Bright Harbor Healthcare, 687 Atlantic City Boulevard, Bayville, NJ 08721 to provide such services, for January 1, 2024, to December 31, 2024, as more specifically set forth in the Agreement; and

WHEREAS, on March 20, 2024, an amendatory agreement was executed to correct an error in the amounts appropriated from the Mental Health Pro – Temporary Budget and Mental Health Pro – Regular Budget and to increase services from accounts maintained by the Ocean County Prosecutor’s Office; and

WHEREAS, the Agreement was for a one year period and at the successful completion of the one year Agreement, two (2) additional twelve-month periods could be exercised; and

WHEREAS, on December 4, 2024, the Ocean County Board of Commissioners awarded to Bright Harbor Healthcare an Agreement for January 1, 2025, to December 31, 2025; and

WHEREAS, on March 5, 2025, an amendatory Agreement was executed to increase services from accounts maintained by the Ocean County Office of the Prosecutor; and

WHEREAS, on August 20, 2025, an amendatory Agreement was executed to increase these services from accounts maintained by the Ocean County Office of the Prosecutor; and

WHEREAS, on October 15, 2025 an amendatory Agreement was executed to increase these services from accounts maintained by the Ocean County Department of Human Services; and

WHEREAS, the Mental Health Board has recommended renewal of the contract based on positive monitoring and submission of required reports; and

WHEREAS, the Ocean County Department of Human Services desires to utilize the option to extend the Agreement for January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026; and

WHEREAS, funds up to the total amount of \$1,382,007.00 will be appropriated for these services, with partial funding contingent upon the adoption of the 2026 Temporary County Budget and 2026 County Budget, as follows:

Mental Health Pro – Temporary Budget	016-205-5018	\$ 444,808.00
Mental Health Pro – Regular Budget	016-205-5018	\$ 758,192.00
Operation Helping Hand Fy26	017-803-AD82	\$50,000.00
ARRIVE Together-Critical Incident Model FY25	017-803-AD93	\$93,815.00
Disaster response for Children and Families	016-205-5016	\$35,192.00

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, as follows:

- 1.) The Director and Clerk of the Board are hereby authorized to amend an Agreement with Bright Harbor Healthcare.
- 2.) The Director and Clerk of the Board are hereby authorized and directed to execute any necessary subsequent and related documents.
- 3.) The contract number CC2023-152 must be placed on all papers, documents, invoices and vouchers pertaining to said agreement.
- 4.) A certified copy of this Resolution, together with a copy of the Agreement executed by the parties, shall remain on file and be available for public inspection at the office of the Clerk of the Board of Commissioners.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Resolution shall be made available to the Ocean County Department of Finance, County Auditor, Department of Human Services, and Bright Harbor Healthcare.