

**4. SUBSTANCE ABUSE PROGRAM -- COMCARE
FUNDING -- CITY OF DERBY SPECIAL LIQUOR TAX**

(Request sent to 11 vendors)

RFP #18-0033 Contract

	Mental Health Association of South Central Kansas, Inc.
Substance Abuse Treatment Program	
Funding Requested	\$77,500.00
Recommended Award	\$77,500.00
No Bids	Women's Recovery Center Wichita DCCCA, Inc.
	Recovery Concepts, Inc.
	Ember Hope, Inc.

On the recommendation of Joseph Thomas, on behalf of COMCARE, Richard Powell moved to **accept the proposal from Mental Health Association of South Central Kansas, Inc. in the amount of \$77,500.00.** Jennifer Dombaugh seconded the motion. The motion passed 4 to 1, Talaya Schwartz abstaining, being that she had a direct report to review committee.

A review committee comprised of Brenda Gutierrez and Maggie Flanders - COMCARE; Brandon Russell and Matt Liston - Derby Police Department; Clint Shipley, Jeff Smith and Anne Lee - Derby Middle School; and Britt Rosencutter - Purchasing, evaluated the proposals based on criteria set forth in the RFP. Mental Health Association of South Central Kansas, Inc. was the only proposal received and reviewed. The committee unanimously agreed the proposal met the RFP requirements and was recommended for funding at the requested amount of \$77,500.00.

The purpose of this program is to offer substance abuse treatment services for students in the Derby school district and their family members through an initiative supported by the City of Derby Special Liquor Tax. As part of the program, youth will be identified by Derby schools as needing substance abuse intervention.

The goal of this program is to help Derby students access the treatment services they may need to make healthy decisions and lead productive lives. Derby schools may also identify a student who is being negatively effected by a direct family member's substance abuse, and can also refer them to treatment in these situations. Through this program, students and their families can get connected to needed treatment and education services which, for a variety of reasons, they may not have otherwise had access to.

Questions and Answers

Richard Powell: For my personal clarification I want to make sure I understand this correctly. So we have Comcare that is entering into an agreement with the Mental Health Association (MHA), for the services to be provided. Then we have funding this being provided through the special liquor tax in the City of Derby. In that funding mechanism is being done separately within MOU or in a contractual agreement or how's that handled?

Brenda Gutierrez: COMCARE has a contract with Derby to administer the liquor tax so that funding comes to us that will not got to MHA if this is approved.

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Richard Powell: Funding comes to COMCARE through the City of Derby and then COMCARE is responsible for the status of the account itself.

Brenda Gutierrez: Right.

Richard Powell: Thank you so much.

Tom Stolz: This is the exact same model as the City of Wichita?

Brenda Gutierrez: Yes.

Tom Stolz: Is there any other city in Sedgwick County that COMCARE provides liquor tax distribution to?

Brenda Gutierrez: No, just those two.

Tom Stolz: And do we use Mental Health Association South Central Kansas in Wichita too?

Brenda Gutierrez: Yes, they provide prevention services, not treatment at this time.

Tom Stolz: And this is treatment.

Talaya Schwarz: A portion of these funds go to COMCARE to administer as well, for the City of Wichita and Derby.

Tom Stolz: Separate distinct from the \$77,500.00 or part of the \$77,500.00?

Brenda Gutierrez: Separate from them.

Tom Stolz: Separate.

Talaya Schwartz: Separate contract.

Richard Powell: From the county's perspective, COMCARE is the administrator handles the funds center in etc., so you have a revenue stream coming in and dollars going out?

Brenda Gutierrez: Yes, MHA would invoice us and then we pay them and then we invoice MHA for the same amount and then we also invoice Derby for the administrative services twice a year.

Richard Powell: Okay.

Tom Stolz: Who provides treatment services for Wichita?

Brenda Gutierrez: There are several, it's a larger amount of money.

Talaya Schwartz: That's over a million dollars so it's separated into at least 10 different programs.

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Brenda Gutierrez: There's 16 programs and then 11 different organizations that provide those programs.

Tom Stolz: I've never seen one of these come through on all of the Wichita's liquor tax distributions, they don't come through this Bid Board, they go through the City of Wichita. Is there a reason why this is not going through Derby Council?

Brenda Gutierrez: This is the way it was set up five years ago with the original contract... It's the way that the contract was written between us and Derby, which is different from us and the City of Wichita.