



**LIVINGSTON COUNTY, MICHIGAN**  
**DEPARTMENT OF LIVINGSTON COUNTY SHERIFF**

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# Memorandum

**To: Livingston County Board of Commissioners**  
**From: Lt. Tarneseia Pringle**  
**Date: 11/16/20**  
**Re: Proposal to Contract with CMH for Inmate Mental Health Services**

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The Livingston County Sheriff's Office is proposing to contract with Community Mental Health (CMH) for all of our inmate mental health needs. We previously contracted our mental health services with Advanced Correctional Healthcare. We did a budget amendment to remove the mental health portion from our Advanced Correctional Healthcare contract. We will be reallocating those funds in the amount of \$173,000 a year to the Livingston County Community Mental Health.

Community mental health will provide 70 hours a week of mental health coverage including weekends and holidays. These services will provide 1 full time (40hrs per week) Qualified Mental Health Professional (QMHP) on site with part-time QMHPs to fill the other 30 hours per week. CMH will provide case management, one peer support and work with physician to coordinate psychotropic medications. The CMH professionals will meet daily with inmates in distress and on suicide watch. CMH will provide psychiatric consultation as needed.

We would like to use Livingston County Community Mental Health to contract all of these services and additional services that they can offer. These extra services include jail diversion before and after booking, work with forensics on faster bed placement, Coordination of medication assisted treatment with the medical team and aftercare, petition inmates for hospitalization and coping skill classes and one on ones within the jail.

We are requesting the attached resolution be approved to allow The Livingston County Sheriff's Office to enter into a 2 year contract with Livingston County Mental Health to provide mental health services to the inmates at the Livingston County Jail. This would take effect on January 1, 2021 and be a two year contract that would expire on December 31, 2022.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Lt. Pringle or Lt. Adas.

Respectfully submitted,

Lt. Tarneseia Pringle