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**Sponsor:** Community Corrections

**Meeting Date:** 10/21/2025

**Title:** Amendment to Single Source Agreement with Youthprise for Youth Services

**File Number:** 2025-253

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**Background and Rationale:**

Ramsey County's 2024 Legislative Platform included two priority areas to align with the county's Centering Community and Wellness strategic priority. The first was to develop wellness-centered, culturally appropriate, and community-based placement homes for justice involved youth. The second was to develop wrap around services for justice involved youth and families, such as creating of family support groups, developing resources to support families when a young person is involved in the justice system, creating community-based respite options for conflict or crisis de-escalation, or establishing additional meaningful employment opportunities. These priorities included partnerships from various departments that resulted in \$5 million in appropriations from the Department of Public Safety, which the board accepted via Resolution B2024-078. Funds have been used to conduct community engagement listening sessions with the Youth Advisory Council and other community stakeholders. Based on this feedback, the agreement with Youthprise was identified as one option to support the identified needs and ongoing work.

On November 5, 2024, the board approved a single source agreement with Youthprise to administer funds for youth services. This Request for Board Action is to amend the current agreement by adding \$425,000 of violence prevention grant funds and to extend the term through June 30, 2027. Youthprise's approach is rooted in its ability to manage complex grant portfolios, maintain relationships with culturally specific grassroots providers, and center youth voice in programs. This amendment will enable the contractor to serve more youth and families, broaden programming to address needs identified through the community engagement sessions, and give departments wider access to individual-services funding.

**Recommendation:**

The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners resolved to:

1. Approve the Selection of and Single Source Amendment to Agreement with Youthprise, 3001 Broadway Street NE, Suite 330, Minneapolis, MN 55413, to administer funds for youth services that reduce out-of-home placements for the period of December 5, 2024, through June 30, 2027, in a not to exceed amount of \$1,300,000 for the term of the agreement.
2. Authorize the Chair and Chief Clerk to execute the agreement.

A motion to approve was made by Commissioner McMurtrey, seconded by Commissioner Miller. Motion passed.

Aye: - 6: Jebens-Singh, McGuire, McMurtrey, Miller, Ortega, and Xiong

Excused: - 1: Moran

By:   
Jason Yang, Chief Clerk - County Board