



## SOUTH SAN ANTONIO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

### Agenda Item Summary

Meeting Date: June 16, 2025

Agenda Section: Consent Agenda

Agenda Item Title: Memorandum Providence Place

From/Presenters: Dr. Gutierrez, Deputy Superintendent

Additional Presenters, if applicable: Rebecca Herrera, Program Administrator

Description: The memorandum of understanding is an annual partnership between South San Antonio Independent School District (SSAISD) and Providence Place. Providence Place, a distinguished non-profit organization, is dedicated to enhancing the well-being of the community through targeted support and services. These encompass trauma recovery programs, resources for families with young children under three years of age, and mental health services extended to other non-profit entities.

This partnership leverages the strengths of both organizations to address critical community needs. SSAISD benefits from Providence Place's expertise in mental health and trauma-informed care, enhancing the district's ability to support its students and families.

Historical Data: March of 2025 was the first year SSAISD and Providence Place became a partnership to support the SSAISD community.

Recommendation: Approve the Memo of Understanding between South San Antonio ISD and Providence Place for the 2025-2026 school year.

Purchasing Director and Approval Date: Rebecca Herrera, June 16, 2025

Goal #4 SSAISD will collaborate with parents and the community to ensure all students receive a high-quality education.

Funding Budget Code and Amount: N/A No funds will be utilized



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# Memorandum of Understanding

Providence Place and South San Antonio ISD

This AGREEMENT of PARTNERSHIP is made as of July 1, 2025, by and between the undersigned partners.

## **I. FORMATION**

Providence Place is a non-profit and for purpose organization fostering opportunities. We empower survivors of trauma, families with children under the age of three in the community, and pregnant women/expecting parents. Providence Place also works to support those in the community who work in the non-profit sector by providing mental health services.

Providence Place is currently working on extending this mission to include at-risk pregnant and/or parenting families in the community. In an effort to work towards this goal, Providence Place is looking to provide its services directly to these families in their community. This planned initiative is to support families to include expectant moms, expectant dads, and moms/dads with babies less than 36 months.

This understanding of mutual benefit to Providence Place and South San Antonio ISD is intended to maximize resources, to prevent duplication of services, and to promote an integrated delivery system.

## **II. TERM**

The Partnership shall begin on July 1, 2025 and shall be reviewed for renewal on an annual basis and thereafter from year to year unless earlier terminated.

## **III. PURPOSE**

1. To increase resources and services to at risk pregnant and/or parenting families in the community.
2. To build partnerships with surrounding community agencies who are also serving pregnant and/or parenting families.
3. To serve pregnant and/or parenting families in their local communities.
4. To provide South San Antonio ISD parents with counseling/coaching, parenting support, and material assistance services free of charge to qualified participants.

## **IV. TERMS OF AGREEMENT**

Providence Place Agrees to:

- Provide management and oversight of the entire program and to designate a main point of contact for this purpose. Provide information/training to South San Antonio ISD staff to refer participants that may meet Providence Place eligibility.
- Screen clients referred by South San Antonio ISD staff to determine eligibility for Providence Place.
- Provide counseling/coaching and parenting education free of charge to qualified participants referred by South San Antonio ISD.
- Provide resource referrals free of charge to qualified participants referred by South San Antonio ISD.
- Provide material assistance to qualified participants, if they are available. Materials will be labeled with the participant name.

South San Antonio ISD Agrees to:

- Provide an adequate and cost-free office space, and accompanying utilities to maintain office space to Providence Place staff to conduct services mentioned above.
- Provide daycare as needed to South San Antonio ISD participants referred to Providence Place Home. Provide transportation as needed to South San Antonio ISD clients referred to Providence Place Home.
- Refer a minimum of 20 clients to Providence Place who may meet Providence Place program eligibility requirements.
- Provide time and space for Providence Place to deliver material assistance to the facility.
- Distribute the material assistance to the participants.

## **V. MEETINGS**

Periodic meetings shall be held regularly as determined by the Partnership to evaluate service delivery and partnership effectiveness.

## **VI. MANAGEMENT**

Except as otherwise determined, all decisions shall be made by the Partners undersigned in this agreement and direct points of contact shall be established by Providence Place and South San Antonio ISD.

## **VII. NOTICES**

Notices or any changes to this agreement will be made in writing and delivered either by mail, email, or fax within 30 days of proposed changes.

## **VIII. TERMINATION OF PARTNERSHIP**

The Partnership may be terminated by either of the parties when conditions indicate inefficient or ineffective service delivery, lack of funding to provide continued services, or any other reasons that would prevent service delivery from moving forward. Party initiating termination shall provide a written notice 30 days prior to the proposed termination date.

## **IX. INDEMNITY**

Each party to this Understanding hereby agrees to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the other party (ies) (including the respective officers, directors, agents and employees of the indemnified party) and the Property from and against any and all claims, demands, losses,

liabilities, actions, liens, lawsuits and other proceedings, judgments and awards, and from costs and expenses, (including without limitation negligence, willful misconduct or performance of services or work beyond the scope of the Agreement of the Indemnifying party or any of its partners, officers, directors, agents or employees). The provisions of this Section shall survive termination of this agreement and any transfer or conveyance of the Property or of any interest in the Property.

#### **X. AGREEMENT OF PARTNERSHIP**

This Agreement of Partnership shall be binding upon the respective heirs, executors, administrators, and personal representatives of the Partners.

The Partners approve the proposed project as outlined in this Memorandum of Understanding and have caused this Agreement of Partnership to be executed on the dates indicated below, effective as of the date indicated above.

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Dr. Saul Hinojosa  
Superintendent of Schools SSAISD

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Providence Place CEO

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Date