



SOUTH SAN ANTONIO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Agenda Item Summary

Meeting Date: March 17, 2025

Agenda Section: Consent Agenda

Agenda Item Title: Memorandum Providence Place

From/Presenters: Ms. Marcha, Chief Academic Officer and Rebecca Herrera, Director of Early Childhood

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: 2025 will be the first year SSAISD and Providence Place will be a partnership to support the SSAISD community.

Recommendation: Approval of the Superintendent of Schools and the Board of Managers.

Purchasing Director and Approval Date: N/A

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

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



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Memorandum of Understanding

Providence Place and South San Antonio ISD

This AGREEMENT of PARTNERSHIP is made as of March 19, 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 March 19, 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.



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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's name.

South San Antonio ISD Agrees to:

- Provide an adequate and cost-free office space, and accompanying utilities to maintain office space for Providence Place staff to conduct the services mentioned above.
- Provide daycare as needed to South San Antonio 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.



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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 the 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, judgment,s 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.



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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

A handwritten date '3/3/25' in black ink, written over a horizontal line.

Date

Providence Place CEO

Date