# Alachua County, FL

# Agenda Item Summary

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### Agenda Item Name:

Evaluation of the Metamorphosis Therapeutic Program

#### Presenter:

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## **Description:**

Evaluation of the Metamorphosis Therapeutic Program

#### **Recommended Action:**

Hear the Presentation. Implement the consultant recommendation that have no budget or budget neutral impacts. For recommendations that impact the budget will work with Lutheran Services.

#### **Prior Board Motions:**

N/A

#### **Fiscal Note:**

The recommendations outlined above present potential budget impacts that need thorough evaluation by the staff. As many of these recommendations have not been allocated specific budget resources, it is crucial to assess their feasibility, prioritize actions, and identify funding sources where necessary. Next Steps

Staff will conduct detailed analyses to understand the full financial implications of each recommendation.

A follow-up report will be prepared with detailed cost estimates and potential funding strategies. A timeline for implementation and evaluation will be developed to ensure efficient allocation of resources.

#### Strategic Guide:

Social and Economic Opportunity

#### **Background:**

Court Services is undergoing a departmental review from the National Institute of Corrections, who will be observing all Court Services programs and processes and providing recommendations and suggestions for best practices, and better ways to be an effective department to provide services for Alachua County citizens.

One area of Court Services responsibilities was needing professionals with a distinct set of skills to evaluate the long-term residential treatment center and provide a report of its findings and suggestions

of this program provided by the Alachua County Board of County Commissioners.

This report describes input from a program evaluation of the Metamorphosis Therapeutic Community (Meta TC) program. Metamorphosis is a community resource funded by Lutheran Services Florida (LSF) and Alachua County General Revenue funds. Metamorphosis is a long-term residential treatment program for adults with substance abuse and/or mental health illness. The facility has a capacity for 21 clients who participate in a variety of treatment activities.