FAR NORTHERN REGIONAL CENTER
ACTUAL AND PROJECTED OPERATIONS EXPENSES
EXPLANATION OF LARGE CHANGES IN PROJECTED EXPENSES AND OTHER REVENUE COMPARED TO PRIOR YEAR
CONTRACT YEAR 2023/2024
MARCH 2023 BOARD REPORT

## Increase (Decrease) from prior year

Category \$ %

**Salaries and benefits** 4,965,392 21.8

Increase due to the addition of new service coordinators, supervisors, and support to comply with new caseload ratio requirements. 2% annual increase given to all employees during Union negotiations.

Facilities (Rent, Maint, and Utilities) 193,270 11.9

Redding increase \$13,600/Chico increase \$41,800. Projected Redding increase of approximately \$40,000 when occupancy is available. New space to accommodate increased staffing levels for both Chico & Redding. Office sharing has increased with Remote Work Agreements. Office design changes for space utilization. Chico bathroom remodel to accommodate more employees.

Contracts/Software 88,817 19.3

Maintenance on new

**Travel** 231,338 55.3

Increased number of Service Coordinators traveling. Increased number of employees traveling for training/conference.

Legal / Consulting / Audit 150,679 72.0

Strategic Plan consulting \$82,500. Prior Year SDP Funding of \$55,600 not yet paid.

**IT Equipment** 71,092 39.7

Planned replacement of iPads. Laptops to replace virtual connections.

Interest Revenue / ICF SPA Admin / Other 134,173 17.8

Rates continue to be favorable, investing excess cash in short-term Treasury Bills.