

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF STANISLAUS
ACTION AGENDA SUMMARY

DEPT: BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND RECOVERY SERVICES BOARD AGENDA # B-23
Urgent Routine X AGENDA DATE July 10, 2001
CEO Concurs with Recommendation YES NO 4/5 Vote Required YES NO X
(Information Attached)

SUBJECT: APPROVAL TO ACCEPT FEDERAL SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ADMINISTRATION BLOCK GRANT AND DEMONSTRATION PROJECT FUNDING FOR OLDER ADULT SERVICES

STAFF
RECOMMEN-
DATIONS:

1. AUTHORIZE THE DIRECTOR TO ACCEPT FEDERAL SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ADMINISTRATION BLOCK GRANT FUNDING FOR OLDER ADULT SERVICES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2001/2002 AND DEMONSTRATION PROJECT FUNDING OVER A THREE YEAR PERIOD
2. AUTHORIZE AMENDMENT TO THE SALARY AND POSITION ALLOCATION RESOLUTION TO INCREASE THE STAFFING ALLOCATION IN BUDGET UNIT 1501 PER THE STAFFING IMPACT SECTION OF THIS AGENDA ITEM

FISCAL
IMPACT:

Block grant funding in the amount of \$181,368 was allocated to Behavioral Health and Recovery Services for fiscal year 2001/2002. In addition, Demonstration Project funding in the amount of \$1,653,500 has been awarded for a demonstration project over a three-year period. The organization will receive \$555,000 for fiscal year 2000/2001; \$550,000 for fiscal year 2001/2002; and \$548,500 for fiscal year 2002/2003. Since the formal award was received in June 2001, the State Department of Mental Health will allow expenditure over a three-year period beginning July 1, 2001. The organization's fiscal year 2001/2002 budget included revenue and expenditures for the first year of the allocation. However, the requested positions were not included in the budget. There is no impact to the County General Fund.

BOARD ACTION AS FOLLOWS:

No. 2001-529

On motion of Supervisor Simon , Seconded by Supervisor Blom
and approved by the following vote,

Ayes: Supervisors: Mayfield, Blom, Simon, Caruso, and Chair Paul

Noes: Supervisors: None

Excused or Absent: Supervisors: None

Abstaining: Supervisor: None

- 1) X Approved as recommended
- 2) Denied
- 3) Approved as amended

Motion:

ATTEST: CHRISTINE FERRARO TALLMAN, Clerk

By: Christine Ferraro Deputy

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DISCUSSION: Behavioral Health and Recovery Services Older Adult System of Care provides services to individuals with a serious mental illness who are over the age of 60, older adults who are dually diagnosed with a mental illness and substance abuse problem, and individuals on Probate Conservatorship through the Office of Public Guardian.

In November 2000 the Board of Supervisors authorized the acceptance of Federal Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration funding to expand services in the organization's Older Adult System of Care. Funding was used to implement the Senior Access Team and programming was expanded in the following ways:

- Targeted outreach activities were directed toward Spanish-speaking seniors and families, primary care physicians, health care providers, and seniors in independent living. Activities include public informational presentations, depression screening, and the establishment of formal and informal collaborative and referral relationships with health and social service providers.
- Expanded training was developed in skilled older adult behavioral health assessment in order to provide quality, accessible services to older adults.
- The ability to provide senior peer counseling services in English and Spanish was enhanced. A Family and Peer Partnership Project was developed to assist family members or caregivers with necessary advocacy activities for seniors with behavioral health service needs.

Additional funding will allow the organization to further expand the Senior Access Team. Team services will include the following augmented programming in the Older Adult System of Care:

- Direct access to a variety of specialized older adult mental health treatment services.
- Short term case management and linkage of older adults with a serious mental illness to other community resources. This will include assertive follow up and linkage for individuals identified as being "at risk".
- Coordination of multi-agency services for Behavioral Health and Recovery Services older adult clients through use of a Senior Resource Committee and the development of a Mental Health and Aging Advisory Coalition.

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DISCUSSION:
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- Support of the Senior Network and Advocacy Program (SNAP) to continue outreach activities and to enhance multi-agency collaboration in our community.

Expanded Senior Access Team programming will result in the following outcomes:

- Increased access by older adult consumers to primary health care services

90% of Behavioral Health and Recovery Services older adult clients will appropriately access primary health care services

- Reduced indicators of depression in older adult clients

75% of Behavioral Health and Recovery services older adult clients will report a reduction in depression indicators

- Improved social activities with family, friends, neighbors, or other social groups

50% of Behavioral Health and Recovery Services older adult clients will report improvement in this area

- Reduced interference by physical, emotional, or mental health problems in daily activities

50% of Behavioral Health and Recovery Services older adult clients will report improvement in this area

- Clients and their families will be satisfied with services offered and received

Client Satisfaction ratings will equal or exceed a rating of 3.4 out of 5

The Stanislaus County Mental Health Board reviewed the grant application and supports the expansion of Older Adult System of Care services.

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POLICY
ISSUES:

Board of Supervisor approval is required to allow the Director to accept the funding. Approval of the expansion of services to older adults with a mental illness or substance abuse problem supports the Board of Supervisors' priority of a safe and healthy community.

STAFFING
IMPACT:

This agenda item would require amendment of the Salary and Position Allocation Resolution to add the following positions to the organization's allocation in Budget Unit 1501:

- One (1) Manager II
- One (1) Administrative Clerk III
- One (1) Stock Delivery Clerk I/II
- Two (2) Mental Health Clinician I/II's
- Two (2) Behavioral Health Specialist I/II's

The Manager II will serve as the Project Coordinator. The Administrative Clerk III will provide clerical support for the project. The Stock Delivery Clerk I/II will provide transportation for project clients. The Mental Health Clinician I/II's and Behavioral Health Specialist I/II's will provide clinical services for project clients.