

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

DEPT: Behavioral Health and Recovery Services

BOARD AGENDA # *B-3

Urgent

Routine

AGENDA DATE November 25, 2008

CEO Concurs with Recommendation YES NO

4/5 Vote Required YES NO

(Information Attached)

SUBJECT:

Acceptance of Mental Health Services Act Prevention and Early Intervention Funds and Approval to Assign Prevention and Early Intervention Funds to California Department of Mental Health and Authorization to Sign an Amendment to Agreement #07-77350-000 with the California Department of Mental Health - Behavioral Health and Recovery Services

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Authorize the Behavioral Health Director to accept Mental Health Services Act Prevention and Early Intervention funds in the amount of \$510,200 per year (\$2,040,800 total) for Fiscal Years 2008-2009 through 2011-2012.
2. Authorize the Behavioral Health Director or her designee to assign the Mental Health Services Act Prevention and Early Intervention funds to the California Department of Mental Health for administration pursuant to the existing Mental Health Services Act Agreement.
3. Authorize the Behavioral Health Director or her designee to sign the Assignment Agreement.

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FISCAL IMPACT:

This agenda item requests authorization to accept \$2,040,800 (\$510,200 per year) in funding over the next four fiscal years from the California Department of Mental Health for Mental Health Prevention and Early Intervention services pursuant to the Mental Health Services Act, and to assign those funds back to the California Department of Mental Health for administration of the program. This funding has been allocated specifically for this purpose. If the County chooses not to participate in this assignment, the funds will not be available to the County for other uses.

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BOARD ACTION AS FOLLOWS:

No. 2008-798

On motion of Supervisor O'Brien, Seconded by Supervisor Grover

and approved by the following vote,

Ayes: Supervisors: O'Brien, Grover, Monteith, and Vice Chairman DeMartini

Noes: Supervisors: None

Excused or Absent: Supervisors: Mayfield

Abstaining: Supervisor: None

1) Approved as recommended

2) Denied

3) Approved as amended

4) Other:

MOTION:

Christine Ferraro

ATTEST: CHRISTINE FERRARO TALLMAN, Clerk

File No.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS (Continued)

4. Authorize the Behavioral Health Director or her designee to sign the subsequent amendment to the Mental Health Services Act agreement # 07-77350-000 with the California Department of Mental Health.
5. Direct the Auditor-Controller to increase appropriations and estimated revenue in the amount of \$510,200, as detailed in the Budget Journal form.

FISCAL IMPACT (Continued)

The Mental Health Services Act budget will reflect receipt of the revenue and an expenditure related to the assignment. The attached Budget Journal reflects the appropriation and estimate revenue associated with this transaction. Revenue and expenditures to reflect this assignment in Fiscal Years 2009-2010 through 2011-2012 will be included in the proposed budget requests for those respective years.

DISCUSSION:

In January 2007 and again in September 2007, the Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission approved five Prevention and Early Intervention projects to be administered on a statewide basis. Three of those five projects were determined to be more effectively implemented through a single entity. After gathering stakeholder input and support, the California Department of Mental Health has agreed to provide administration of the projects. A total of \$40 million dollars per year will be used for these projects. This amount reflects County Prevention and Early Intervention funds that have been assigned back to the California Department of Mental Health to administer on the Counties' behalf. Once the funds are assigned to the Department of Mental Health, participating counties will be able to benefit directly and indirectly through statewide training and technical assistance, support for the implementation of local prevention and early intervention projects, media and social marketing in multiple languages, research and evaluation and quality improvement activities.

This allocation is specifically for statewide collaborative projects. Behavioral Health and Recovery Services will continue to develop a local plan for prevention and early intervention services that will meet the needs of County residents. Below is a brief description of the projects to be funded with this assignment:

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Suicide Prevention - \$10 million per year state-wide will be used to:

- Build a system of suicide prevention at both the state and local levels.
- Provide training, technical assistance, resources and other needed supports to help Counties successfully develop and implement suicide prevention activities.
- Increase the capacity and quality of local suicide prevention hotlines.
- Increase the capacity of the workforces to effectively prevent suicide.

Student Mental Health Initiative - \$15 million per year statewide will be used to provide grants to educational institutions for:

- Campus-based mental health programs.
- Systems and policy development that integrates a comprehensive system of campus-based supports.
- Training for campus-based staff, County Mental Health staff, other direct providers and educators, peers and family to raise awareness of issues of mental health and wellness on campuses and to build capacity for effective early intervention programs.

Stigma and Discrimination Reduction - \$15 million per year statewide will be used to develop a strategic plan to reduce stigma and discrimination against people living with mental illness. Goals for this project include:

- Reduce stigma experienced by individuals who have a mental illness, or a social, emotional, or behavioral issue.
- Reduce stigma experienced by parents or caregivers of children, youth, and other family members with mental illness, or a social, emotional, or behavioral issue.
- Reduce stigma associated with seeking services and supports for mental health issues.
- Reduce discrimination against individuals living with mental illness or social, emotional, or behavioral issues.
- Support and complement county level interventions that address stigma and discrimination.

As part of the Mental Health Services Act the agreement to assign these funds was posted on the Department's Mental Health Services Act website on October 22, 2008 for a 30-day public comment period. No comments were received.

Upon authorization by the Board of Supervisors, Behavioral Health and Recovery Services will submit the agreement to the California Department of Mental Health.

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Submission of the assignment agreement to the State will trigger an amendment to the Mental Health Services Act Community Services and Supports agreement #07-77350-000 with the State to award the funds. Authorization to sign the subsequent amendment is also requested at this time.

POLICY ISSUE:

Approval of this agenda item supports the Board of Supervisors' priorities of *A healthy community*, *A safe community*, and the *Efficient delivery of public services* by creating a prevention, "help first" community approach to mental health and wellness.

STAFFING IMPACT:

There are no staffing impacts associated with this item.

Enclosure 3

SUPPLEMENTAL MHSA PEI STATEWIDE PROJECTS ASSIGNMENT AGREEMENT
Stanislaus County

Stanislaus County (the County) agrees to participate in the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Prevention and Early Intervention (PEI) Statewide Projects funded from the PEI Component of the MHSA Three-Year Program and Expenditure Plan. The MHSA PEI Statewide Projects will be administered by the Department of Mental Health (DMH) in collaboration with the Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission (OAC) and the California Mental Health Directors Association (CMHDA).

The County agrees that upon its approval of this Assignment, in addition to any funds previously assigned, the following amounts will be transferred to DMH concurrent with the start of the State Fiscal Year (SFY) from which they are assigned subject to the effective conditions specified below:

- \$ 510,200 of the County's SFY 08/09 PEI Statewide Project Planning Estimate
- \$ 510,200 of the County's SFY 09/10 PEI Statewide Project Planning Estimate
- \$ 510,200 of the County's SFY 10/11 PEI Statewide Project Planning Estimate
- \$ 510,200 of the County's SFY 11/12 PEI Statewide Project Planning Estimate

Specifically, funds in the amount specified will be transferred from the Mental Health Services Fund Local Assistance portion of the DMH state budget, item 4440-001-3085 to the State Operations portion of the DMH state budget, item 4440-001-3085, Program 10, State Operations.

DMH will use these funds to administer three PEI Statewide Projects: Suicide Prevention, Student Mental Health Initiative, and Stigma and Discrimination Reduction.

Assignment shall be effective only upon:

- approval by DMH;
- a fully executed County MHSA Agreement with DMH; and
- appropriation of sufficient funds in the State Budget Act to fund the PEI Statewide Projects outlined above.

Approved for County (by signature)	Date:
Printed Name and Title: Denise C. Hunt, MFT, RN, Behavioral Health Director	

