

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

DEPT: Behavioral Health and Recovery Services

BOARD AGENDA # \*B-3

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AGENDA DATE October 11, 2011

CEO Concurs with Recommendation YES  NO

4/5 Vote Required YES  NO

(Information Attached)

SUBJECT:

Approval for Behavioral Health and Recovery Services to issue a Request for Proposals for New Alcohol and Other Drug Services

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Authorize Behavioral Health and Recovery Services to issue a Request for Proposals for Community Located Alcohol and Other Drug Outpatient and Intensive Outpatient Treatment Services

FISCAL IMPACT:

Funding for these services is primarily from the Federal Substance Abuse Treatment and Prevention block grant. Expenditures and estimated revenue in the amount of \$344,617 have been included in the 2011-2012 Adopted Final Budget. There is no impact to the County General Fund.

BOARD ACTION AS FOLLOWS:

No. 2011-616

On motion of Supervisor DeMartini, Seconded by Supervisor Withrow

and approved by the following vote,

Ayes: Supervisors: O'Brien, Chiesa, Withrow, DeMartini, and Chairman Monteith

Noes: Supervisors: None

Excused or Absent: Supervisors: None

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.

**DISCUSSION:**

During the Fall of 2010, Behavioral Health and Recovery Services identified a number of funding issues that would have significant impact on Alcohol and Other Drug services during Fiscal Year 2011-2012, most notably a reduction of \$885,471 in discretionary funding for Stanislaus Recovery Center. This amount represented one-third of the Department's total discretionary funding for Substance Use Disorder treatment. Funding no longer available includes the following sources and amounts:

- A County General Fund contribution to Stanislaus Recovery Center in the amount of \$394,603
- The end of California Emergency Management Justice Assistance Grant in the amount of \$200,790
- A one-time Departmental fund balance contribution of \$251,015
- Redirection of StanWORKs funding used for residential services in the amount of \$39,063

Realizing that this impact would have community-wide consequences, Behavioral Health and Recovery Services initiated a Community Stakeholder Process to solicit input with regard to how alcohol and other drug services should look in Stanislaus County. The group consisted of representatives of the recovery community, family members, community and faith-based organizations, non-profit and private sector providers, other County partners, union members, members of the Advisory Board on Substance Abuse Programs and the Mental Health Board, as well as Behavioral Health and Recovery Services staff. The goal of the Stakeholder Group was not to determine how to cut \$885,471, but rather to build programming in the amount of \$1,621,379.

- After eight meetings concluding on March 2, 2011, the Stakeholder Group presented Behavioral Health and Recovery Services Leadership with a proposal for allocating funds in Fiscal Year 2011-2012. A team of Department representatives was assembled to develop an implementation plan for moving forward with several Stakeholder recommendations. This item is focused on the Stakeholder recommendation to provide outpatient and intensive outpatient services in community-based settings. Other Stakeholder recommendations will be presented separately to the Board and include the following:
  - Hire a Community Liaison to improve integration and coordination across the entire System of Care, including Behavioral Health and Recovery Services funded services, non-profit and private sector services, community-based supports, faith-based supports, and other dimensions of the System of Care

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- Increase support of Sober Living homes to assist those in recovery to maintain sobriety in a safe and secure environment
- Shift substance use disorder residential services from Stanislaus Recovery Center to a community-based setting
- Continue post-detention services
- Develop a non-medical detoxification program at Stanislaus Recovery Center
- Continue day treatment services at Stanislaus Recovery Center

Stakeholders were very vocal about the need for services to be provided in the community rather than at established clinics. Therefore, Behavioral Health and Recovery Services is seeking authorization to issue a Request for Proposals (RFP) to identify respondents who can provide community-located outpatient and intensive outpatient treatment services to individuals residing in Stanislaus County. The Department will work with General Services Agency to issue the RFP and will return to the Board to award agreements for these services.

**POLICY ISSUE:**

Approval of this agenda item supports the Board of Supervisors' priority of A Healthy Community and Effective Partnerships by maximizing State and Federal funding to address the needs of Stanislaus County for Alcohol and Other Drug treatment.

**STAFFING IMPACT:**

There is no staffing impact associated with the approval of this agenda item. Full time staff that previously provided these services has been transitioned to vacant positions within Behavioral Health and Recovery Services.

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