## CA Clearinghouse 2023-2024 Mini Grant Application Form

The CA Clearinghouse is administering **\$10,000** mini grants this month to expand harm reduction services for people who use drugs (PWUD). We are seeking proposals that will uplift the voices and priorities of PWUD.for authorized Syringe Services Programs (SSP) to support a project that focuses on:

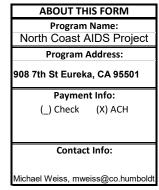
- -promoting the health and wellness of people who use drugs (PWUD)
- -community education and connection
- -improvements to SSP services
- -other ideas that center around improving quality of life and/or connections to community of PWUD

Winner will be chosen via lottery. All submissions will be screened for eligiblity and all eligible projects will be considered. Winners will be chose via randomized lottery; eligible projects not chosen this round will be automatically resubmitted for future rounds.

## Restrictions:

Projects need to align with CDPH's Framework for IDU Health and Wellness. For example, projects should not involve limiting access to syringes, or mandating treatment or abstinence. You may not request less than the full award amount.

Applications are due at the end of the first week of the month. For this application: May 16TH 2025





Purpose of Project (Select all that apply):

- (X) Promoting the health and wellness of people who use drugs (PWUD)
- (X) Community eduction and connection
- (\_) Improvements to SSP services
- (X) Other idea that centers around improving quality of life and/or connections to community of PWUD If "Other" then please explain (1-2 sentences):

Linking participants to care (HIV & HCV treatment)

## **Project Description:**

The purpose of this project is to link individuals from the target populations (Adults with Substance Use Disorder in Humboldt County) who test positive for HCV and/or HIV on the mobile outreach van to confirmatory testing and treatment. Public Health Care Coordinators provide rapid testing on the van. If the community member wishes to take up Care Coordination services, the Care Coordinators will track the participants' progress in treatment, referrals, and linkages to other enabling services and housing. Incentives were identified by the State Office of AIDS HCV Linkage to Care Pilot Project as highly motivating for continuity of care for clients in treatment. Care Coordinators will provide \$10-\$25 gift cards per client, up to \$150 maximum total, for reaching each of the following milestones: intake appointment for Care Coordination; completion of a confirmatory test; initiating treatment; attending appointments; timely submission of requested documents; completing lab draws; and completing treatment. Some participants will not utilize the maximum number of incentives, so a minimum of 70 individuals, and up to 200, are anticipated to be served with these funds.

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100 participants X \$100 incentives =\$10,000

Some participants may not utilize all portions of incentives, so 100 is the minimum number of clients served.

If project requires more than the alloted \$10,000, do you attest to having these funds available? (Select one):

(X) YES (\_)NO

Details: Details: There are some discretionary funds available through another grant, but that does not have a sufficient amount of funding available to offer incentives to all participants. Award of this funding would make that possible.

Recipients will be required to fill out a short write-up of their project, including detail on items purchased. These may be shared with CDPH, CASEP, and compiled into a document on project ideas.