



COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

AGENDA ITEM NO.
C-7

For the meeting of: November 14, 2014

Date: October 15, 2014
To: Board of Supervisors
From: Phillip R. Crandall, Director
Department of Health and Human Services
Subject: Allocate one 1.00 FTE Mental Health Clinician I/II and allocate one 1.00 FTE Mental Health Case Manager for Community Mobile Response Team.

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

- 1. Approve the allocation of one (1.00) FTE Mental Health Clinician I/II (job class 0909A/0909B, salary 408/438) position in budget unit 424; And
- 2. Approve the allocation of one (1.00) FTE Mental Health Case Manager (job class 0907, salary 340) position in budget unit 424.

SOURCE OF FUNDING:

Mental Health Fund

DISCUSSION:

In partnership with the Eureka Police Department (EPD), the Department of Health and Human Services – Mental Health (DHHS-MH) will increase outreach, assessment and treatment to homeless severely mentally ill individuals coming to the attention of law enforcement. EPD and DHHS-MH will develop protocols, case reviews, treatment referrals and communication structures to ensure that appropriate

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REVIEW: Auditor MGA County Counsel _____ Personnel Def Risk Manager _____ Other _____

TYPE OF ITEM:
 Consent
 Departmental
 Public Hearing
 Other _____

PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:

Board Order No. _____
Meeting of: _____

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT
Upon motion of Supervisor Fennell Seconded by Supervisor Buss
Ayes Sundberg, Lovelace, Eohn, Buss, Fennell
Nays _____
Abstain _____
Absent _____

and carried by those members present, the Board hereby approves the recommended action contained in this Board report.

Dated: November 14, 2014
By: Kathy Hayes
Kathy Hayes, Clerk of the Board

responses and services are provided within available resources. With an earlier and integrated team response, the intent is that those individuals will receive pertinent care treatment with the goal of avoiding further law enforcement intervention and psychiatric hospitalizations.

A joint EPD and DHHS response will be provided to an individual with suspected severe mental illness. The Clinician will be able to assess the individual in the field as well as transition the client, when necessary to Crisis Stabilization (CSU) or Sempervirens (SV). Upon release from CSU/SV the Clinician and Case Manager will establish a holistic discharge plan addressing the needs and follow up care that is required.

The EPD/DHHS - MH Team will review clients with high usage of LE response and identify gaps and needs for appropriate resources or treatment. Treatment plans will be developed to include behavior health services, housing, eligibility and food.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Salary and benefit cost of the mental health staffing to support Community Mobile Response Team is \$101,718 for 1.0 FTE Mental Health Clinician I/II and \$72,810 for 1.0 FTE Mental Health Case Manager. Revenue to support these expenditures is available thru Short-Doyle Medi-Cal federal financial participation, Mental Health Services Act, and Realignment. Salary savings due to current vacancies will offset this expenditure, so a supplemental budget is not requested at this time.

Approving the requested position allocations supports the Board's Strategic Framework by protecting vulnerable populations and creating opportunities for improved health and safety.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

Eureka Police Department

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

None are recommended

ATTACHMENTS:

None