



COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

AGENDA ITEM NO.
C-15

For the meeting of: June 19, 2018

Date: May 15, 2018

To: Board of Supervisors

From: Connie Beck, Director *ECBR for CB*
Department of Health and Human Services

Subject: Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission Grant for Children's Mental Health Triage Personnel and Supplemental Budget to Expand the Capacity of the Mobile Response Team (4/5 vote required).

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Accept the award in the amount of \$726,446.00 over three (3) years granted by the Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission (MHSOAC) for Children's Mental Health Triage Personnel;
2. Authorize the Chairperson to sign three (3) originals of the State Standard Agreement (STD 213) for the grant award (Attachment A);
3. Authorize the Chairperson to sign one (1) original Contractor Certification Clause (CCC) (Attachment B);
4. Approve and authorize the Department of Health and Human Services – Mental Health (DHHS–MH) Director to execute Grant Award Claim Forms and agreements with collaborative entities involved in this grant, after review and approval by County Counsel and Risk Management;
5. Adopt the supplemental budget in the amount of \$233,250.00 (Attachment C) for fiscal year 2018-19, DHHS-MH Administration budget unit 1170- 424 (4/5 vote required);
6. Approve the allocation of two (2) 1.0 full-time equivalent (FTE) Mental Health Clinician I/II (class 0909A/B, salary range 422/452) in budget unit 424; effective immediately upon Board of Supervisors approval;

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CAO Approval *E. Hayes*

REVIEW:

Auditor: *KPD* County Counsel: *JBB* Human Resources: *Keren* 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 *Wilson* Seconded by Supervisor *Bass*

- Ayes *Bass, Fennell, Sundberg, Bohn, Wilson*
- Nays _____
- Abstain _____
- Absent _____

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

Dated: *6/19/18*

By: *[Signature]*
Kathy Hayes, Clerk of the Board

7. Approve the allocation of two (2) 1.0 FTE Mental Health Case Manager (class 0907A/B, salary range 354/382) in budget unit 424; effective immediately upon Board of Supervisors approval;
8. Direct the Clerk of the Board to route three (3) signed copies of the State Standard Agreement to the DHHS-Contract Unit;
9. Direct the Clerk of the Board to route one (1) signed copy of the Contractor Certification Clause to the DHHS-Contract Unit.

SOURCE OF FUNDING: Mental Health Fund

DISCUSSION:

DHHS-MH applied for and has been selected to receive a grant from MHSOAC for Children's Mental Health Triage Personnel (Attachment A). This award will enable DHHS Children's Mental Health to expand the capacity of the Mobile Response Team to meet the needs of individuals aged 21 and under, experiencing or at risk of experiencing a mental health crisis countywide.

The expansion of the Mobile Response Team will create depth to the program allowing more staff to deploy to various locations and resolve crisis, in the field; reducing the necessity of involuntary holds. The expansion of the program will also provide additional options for less restrictive care through early intervention, case management, clinical care, and peer support.

Staff will work with family members/natural supports, school staff, and law enforcement to provide training and education that includes but is not limited to: crisis identification and techniques to alleviate crisis. The grant requires formal collaborative partnerships and Memorandums of Understanding will need to be executed and submitted to the grantor, formally solidifying the collaboration. The collaborative partners include the following entities: Humboldt County Office of Education, Humboldt County Sheriff's Office, Eureka Police Department, Arcata Police Department, Humboldt County Child Welfare Services and Saint Joseph's Health.

The collaboration commits our partners to identify and train staff to serve as Mobile Mental Health Crisis Intervention liaisons. The liaisons will provide linkage to the Mobile Response Team who will, in turn provide recovery-focused crisis interventions that divert individuals from unnecessary hospitalizations or incarcerations.

On April 9, 2018 MHSOAC also awarded DHHS – MH a grant in the amount of \$978,964.00 through the Mental Health and Wellness Act of 2013 for the purpose of expanding the Humboldt County Mobile Response Team program. Such funding will allow DHHS – MH to hire several mental health professionals that will be responsible for providing additional mental health triage services, including, without limitation, necessary evaluation and de-escalation services to individuals experiencing a mental health crisis. The acceptance of the grant in the amount of \$978,964.00 is also appearing before your Board today.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The MHSOAC awarded a total of \$726,446 in funds to Humboldt County DHHS-Mental Health for Children's Response Team Triage Personnel. The grant award will sustain the program for 36 months. The Children's Triage grant will fund salary and benefit cost for 4.5 FTEs: 0.50 FTE Supervising Mental Health Clinician, 2.0 FTE Mental Health Clinician and 2.0 FTE Mental Health Case Manager. Personnel allocation for the Supervising Clinician has been included in Fiscal Year (FY) 2018-19 proposed budget for DHHS-Mental Health Administration budget unit 1170-424.

Estimated FY 2018-19 salary and benefit cost of the 2.0 FTE MH Clinician and 2.0 FTE MH Case Manager is \$233,250. Supplemental budget request totals \$233,250 for FY 2018-19 DHHS-Mental Health Administration budget unit 1170-424 and includes increased appropriation in salary and benefits.

DHHS plans to sustain the program by means of effective use of Medicare/Medicaid billing and health care reform opportunities such as expanded benefit enrollment strategies; cross-agency financing strategies and opportunities for redirection and maximizing federal match in Medicaid.

This request supports the Board's Strategic Framework by providing community-appropriate levels of service and creating opportunities for improved safety and health.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

Arcata Police Department
Eureka Police Department
Humboldt County Sherriff Department
St. Joseph Health of Humboldt County
Humboldt County Child Welfare Services
Humboldt County Office of Education
Humboldt County Human Resources

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Board discretion

ATTACHMENTS:

- A. Standard Agreement Number 17MHSOAC060
- B. Contractor's Certification Clause (CCC-307)
- C. Supplemental Budget