



COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

Legislation Text

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To: Board of Supervisors

From: DHHS: Behavioral Health

Agenda Section: Consent

SUBJECT:

Mental Health Services Act Annual Update for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 and Mental Health Services Act 3-Year Plan for Fiscal Years 2020-2021, 2021-2022, and 2022-2023

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Adopt the attached Mental Health Services Act Annual Update for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 and the Mental Health Services Act 3-Year Plan for Fiscal Years 2020-2021, 2021-2022, and 2022-2023; and
2. Direct the Clerk of the Board to return one certified copy of the Board report to the Department of Health and Human Services - Contract Unit.

SOURCE OF FUNDING:

Behavioral Health Fund (1170)

DISCUSSION:

Proposition 63 was passed by the California voters in November 2004 and enacted into law on Jan. 1, 2005. Now known as the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA), this legislation places a 1% tax on individuals with a personal income above \$1 million.

The attached Annual Update for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 and the 3-Year Plan for Fiscal Years 2020-2021, 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 has been developed with the participation of stakeholders, in accordance with the Community Planning Process (CPP) set forth in Section 5848 of the California Welfare and Institutions Code and Section 3300 of Title 9 of the California Code of Regulations. The draft MHSA Annual Update and the draft MHSA 3-Year Plan was circulated to representatives of stakeholder interests and any interested party for 30 days in preparation for the public hearing held by the Humboldt County Behavioral Health Board on Aug. 27, 2020.

The process for obtaining stakeholder input for the attached MHSA Annual Update and the MHSA 3-Year Plan utilized two methods. First, following the process used in prior Annual Updates and 3-Year Plans, 16 stakeholder meetings were held, including groups representing five regions of Humboldt

County and 12 meetings with other community stakeholder groups. Input and comments were sent to the MHSA email address, left on the MHSA voicemail, or written on forms at the stakeholder meetings. Second, a new process of gathering stakeholder input was used through a MHSA community survey that was advertised and made available online and in paper format. A total of five 597 responses were received from this survey.

The CPP for the attached MHSA Annual Update and the MHSA 3-Year Plan had two components, MHSA education and collecting input from stakeholders. MHSA education included the following areas of planning: mental health policy, program planning, implementation, monitoring, quality improvement, evaluation, and budget allocations. Such education also included the MHSA core concepts of community collaboration, cultural competence, client wellness, recovery and resilience and an integrated service experience for clients and their families.

The attached MHSA Annual Update and the MHSA 3-Year Plan was posted to the County of Humboldt's website on July 27, 2020, and it should be adopted by the Board of Supervisors within 90 days of such posting. Once the attached MHSA Annual Update and the MHSA 3-Year Plan has been adopted by the Board of Supervisors, it will then be sent to the California Department of Health Care Services and the Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Pursuant to California Welfare and Institutions Code Section 5892, MHSA component funding is distributed to counties on a monthly basis based on actual tax receipt collections. Each county is responsible for ensuring that 20% of the funds distributed from the Mental Health Services Fund is allocated for PEI programs. In addition, counties are required to utilize 5% of such funding for Innovative programs and the balance of such funding must be allocated for Community Service and Support (CSS) programs. Transfers of CSS funds for capital facilities and technological and human resource needs are limited to 20% of the average amount of funds allocated to a county for the previous 5 years.

The MHSA Annual Update includes worksheets which set forth the estimated MHSA funding that will be received by the County of Humboldt for fiscal year 2019-2020 (\$6,964,868). The MHSA 3-Year Plan includes worksheets which set forth the estimated MHSA funding that will be received by the County of Humboldt for fiscal years 2020-2021 (\$7,664,878), 2021-2022 (\$7,358,283), and 2022-2023 (\$5,886,626). Allocation of the MHSA funding reflected in these worksheets is consistent with the applicable requirements set forth in the above-referenced provisions of the California and Welfare and Institutions Code. Revenue estimates are based on recommendations by State Department of Health Care Services and California Behavioral Health Directors Association. Estimated fiscal year expenditures are based on calculations included in approved FY 2019-2020 and FY 2020-2021 budgets for DHHS - Behavioral Health Administration budget unit 1170-424 and DHHS - Mental Health Services Act budget unit 1170-477. Adoption of the attached MHSA Annual Update and the MHSA 3-Year Plan will not impact the Humboldt County General Fund.

STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK:

This action supports your Board's Strategic Framework by creating opportunities for improved safety

and health, protecting vulnerable populations, providing community appropriate levels of service and supporting the self-reliance of citizens.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

California Department of Health Care Services

Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Board could choose not to adopt the MHSA Annual Update or the MHSA Three Year Plan. However, this alternative is not recommended since it would result in non-compliance with Section 5847 of the California Welfare and Institutions Code.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Mental Health Services Act Annual Update for Fiscal Year 2019-2020.
2. Mental Health Services Act Three Year Plan for Fiscal Years 2020-2021, 2021-2022 and 2022-2023.

PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:

Board Order No.: C-26; C-25; C-23

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