

County of Santa Barbara

**Human Services Commission
FY 2017-2018**

**General Fund Mini Grant
Recommendations**

County Executive Office



Background

- The Human Services Commission (HSC) has advised the Board on the County's human services needs since 1977
- Annual budget = \$1.2 million
- In 2015, the Board approved a new 3-tiered concept: best practices, basic services, and capacity building grants
- Best Practices/Basic services = 3 years, Mini Grants = annual
- Best Practices grants = \$50,000 - \$100,000
- Basic Services grants = \$20,000-\$50,000
- Mini Grants = \$5,000-\$7,000
- Next full 3 year cycle - FY 2018-19
- HSC approved recommendations - March 2, 2017

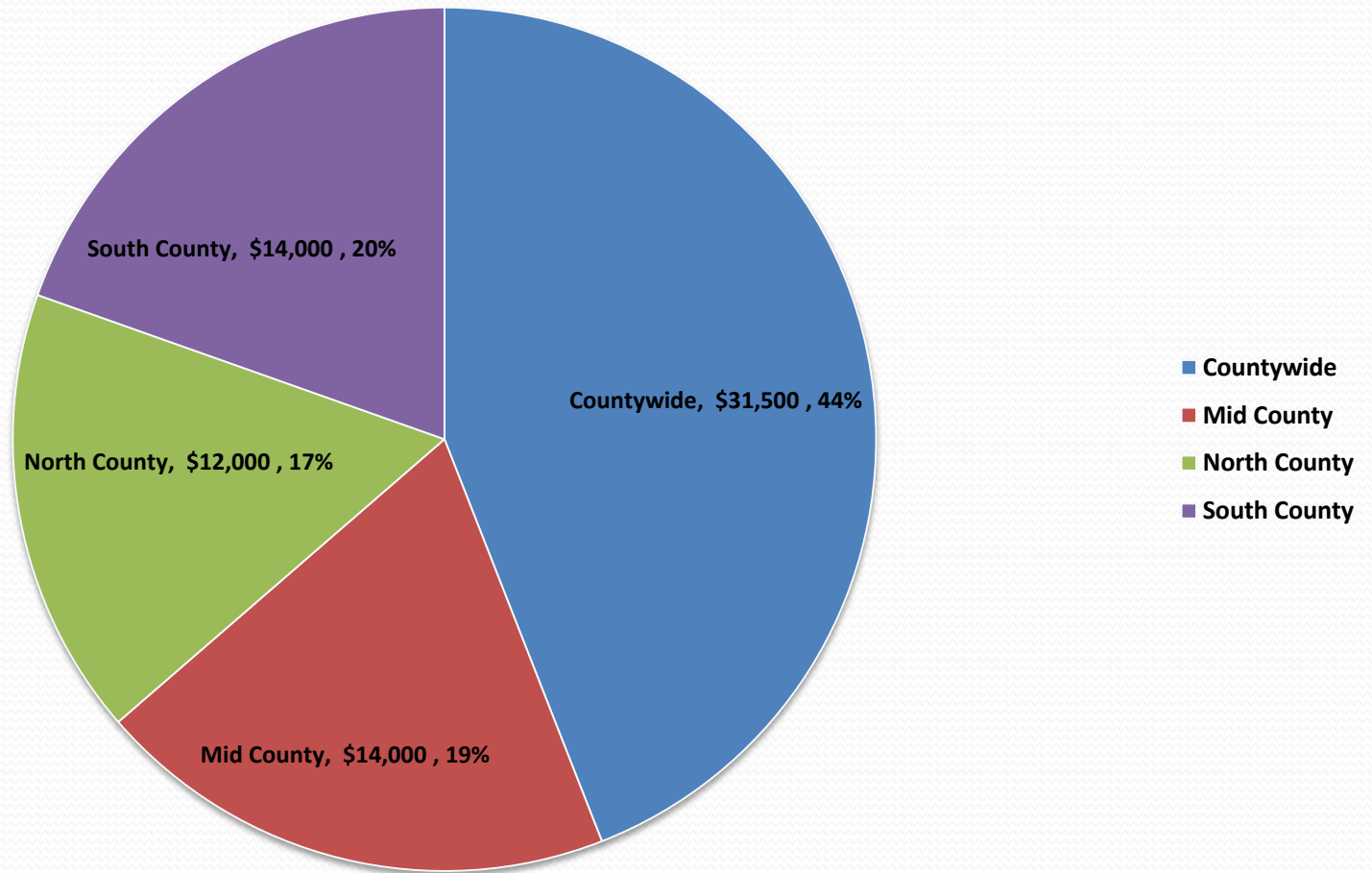
Summary

- The HSC recommends funding Eleven Mini Grants (\$5,000-\$7,000 each) for FY 2017-18 totaling \$71,500
- **Criteria Examples:** clear quantifiable capacity-building outcome, strong proposal for the amount of funding, collaboration, geographic distribution, clear eventual benefit to target population
- HSC Allocations Committee followed criteria, evidence-based practices, strong applications with clear outcomes, serving people countywide with capacity building programs
- **Program Examples:** staff/board training, database development, media outreach and volunteer recruitment, marketing and advertising, evidence-based practice training

FY 2017-18 HSC Mini Grant Recommendations

APPLICANT NAME	PROJECT	SERVICE AREA	FUNDING REQUEST	FUNDING RECOMMENDATION
AIDS Sarah House	Advocacy for homeless and end of life, outreach	South County	\$ 7,000	\$ 7,000
Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse (CADA)	Training Moral Reconation Therapy	Countywide	\$ 7,000	\$ 7,000
Child Abuse & Listening Mediation (CALM)	Install and service software	Countywide	\$ 7,000	\$ 7,000
Domestic Violence Solutions	Training for 10-12 client advocates Motivational interviewing	Countywide	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000
Family Service Agency	Ombudsman volunteer recruitment & training North County	North County	\$ 7,000	\$ 7,000
Girls Inc. Santa Barbara	Community Outreach; bilingual materials, Spanish media	South County	\$ 7,000	\$ 7,000
Pacific Pride	Bilingual LGBT/HIV Mental health outreach; Spanish materials and media	Countywide	\$ 7,000	\$ 7,000
SYV People Helping People	Square software system, tracking sales, media campaign	Mid County	\$ 6,945	\$ 7,000
SYV Senior Citizen Foundation Buellton	Purchase van to transport seniors	Mid County	\$ 7,000	\$ 7,000
SMV Meals on Wheels	Fundraising software and data entry	North County	\$ 5,325	\$ 5,000
United Way North County	Volunteer & training Common Ground AmeriCorp	Countywide	\$ 7,000	\$ 5,500
Total requested amount ALL applications (\$277,492)			\$73,270	\$71,500

Geographic Distribution



Recommended Actions

- A. Receive and consider recommendations from the County of Santa Barbara Human Services Commission (HSC) for the award of human services grants to grantees for the use of County General Funds for FY 2017-18 agency capacity building “Mini Grants” totaling \$71,500; and
- B. Receive and consider public comment related to the HSC award recommendations for the use of County General Funds for FY 2017-18; and
- C. Determine that the programs recommended for funding are necessary to meet the social needs of the population of the County; and
- D. Approve the award of “Mini Grants” recommended by the HSC totaling \$71,500 as specified in Attachment A and authorize such expenditures, subject to appropriation of the Board of Supervisors during the FY2017-18 budget process; and
- E. Find that the proposed actions are not a project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Sections 15378(b)(4) and 15378(b)(5) of the CEQA Guidelines, because they are governmental fiscal, organizational or administrative activities that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment.