



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
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**Department Name:** Behavioral Wellness  
**Department No.:** 043  
**For Agenda Of:** 8/30/16  
**Placement:** Administrative  
**Estimated Time:** N/A  
**Continued Item:** No  
**If Yes, date from:**  
**Vote Required:** Majority

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Department Alice Gleghorn, Ph.D., Director  
Director(s) Behavioral Wellness, 805-681-5220  
Contact Info: Laura Zeitz, Program Manager, 805-681-5220

**SUBJECT:** Acceptance of California Health Facilities Financing Authority Grant – 5<sup>th</sup> Round  
Funding for FY 16-18

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**County Counsel Concurrence**

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: General Services

As to form: Yes

**Recommended Actions:**

That the Board of Supervisors:

- A. Adopt and authorize the Chair to execute the attached resolution which authorizes the Director of the Behavioral Wellness Department to accept grant funding awarded by the California Health Facilities Financing Authority (CHFFA) for the SB 82 Investment in Mental Health Wellness Grant Program, fifth round funding, for the period of May 26, 2016 to December 31, 2017, in an amount not to exceed \$1,100,000.
- B. Approve and authorize the Director of the Behavioral Wellness Department to approve day to day grant transactions without returning to the Board as long as those transactions correspond to the activities presented in the grant application.
- C. Authorize General Services/Real Property to research the availability of appropriate properties for purchase to facilitate the purpose of the CHFFA Grant, initiate discussions with owners and/or agents of those properties to determine terms and conditions of a prospective purchase, and return to the Board for approval prior to entering into any binding contractual commitments.
- D. Determine that the approval of the recommended actions is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3), finding

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**Auditor-Controller Concurrence**

As to form: Yes

that the activities are covered by the general rule that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment, and where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activities in question may have a significant effect on the environment, the activities are not subject to CEQA.

**Summary Text:**

In March of 2016, the Behavioral Wellness Department (Behavioral Wellness) submitted a report to the Board of Supervisors regarding the Department pursuing grant funding associated with the Investment in Mental Health Wellness Act of 2013 (California Senate Bill 82), through grants by CHFFA. In June 2016, Behavioral Wellness received a Final Allocation Letter from CHFFA stating that the County was awarded \$1,100,000 in grant funding. The grant award provides funding for the County to develop a new six-bed Crisis Residential Treatment (CRT) Program for adults who cope with co-occurring mental illness and substance abuse disorders. The CRT Program will offer a non-institutional, home-like setting for individuals experiencing mental health issues to receive up to 30 days of respite, peer support, and linkage to ongoing mental health services and resources. The Program will operate 24 hours per day, seven days per week and is expected to provide services to accommodate approximately 150 consumers annually. Grant funds will be used for the purchase of real property, construction or renovation, the purchase of furnishings and equipment, and for information technology costs.

**Background:**

As a result of SB 82, known as the Investment in Mental Health Wellness Act of 2013, California has an opportunity to use Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) dollars to expand crisis services statewide that are expected to lead to improved life outcomes for the persons served and improved system outcomes for local mental health departments and their community partners. The State FY 2013-2014 Budgeted provided \$142 million in State General Fund dollars for these purposes, and because this funding was not all committed in FY 2013-2014, the State has continued to make awards of this funding in subsequent grant rounds. The \$1,100,000 awarded to Behavioral Wellness is part of the fifth round of funding. Attached to the funding is a February 27, 2017 “readiness” deadline.

**Performance Measure:**

- Reduction in psychiatric use of Emergency Rooms
- Reduction in inpatient acute psychiatric admissions
- Reduction of recidivism
- Reduction in overall associated costs
- Improved and effective linkage with necessary outpatient mental health services

**Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

Budgeted: No

**Fiscal Analysis:**

<b>Funding Sources</b>	<b>Current FY Cost:</b>	<b>Annualized On-going Cost:</b>	<b>Total One-Time Project Cost</b>
General Fund			
State	\$ 1,100,000.00		
Federal			
Fees			
Other:			
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 1,100,000.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>

The above referenced revenue and related expenses of \$1,100,000 are proposed as a budget expansion in Behavioral Wellness’s FY 16-17 budget for the facility. A Budget Revision Request will follow once a Project Charter outlining the responsibilities of Behavioral Wellness and General Services has been completed.

The estimated yearly operational cost for Lompoc CRT is \$745,200. Funding for the ongoing operations of the Lompoc CRT will include \$372,600 from Medi-Cal and \$372,600 from MHSA and Realignment. The match options of realignment or prioritization of MHSA funds for these highest priority services will begin in FY 17-18 upon completion of the unit. It is not anticipated to require General Fund.

**Key Contract Risks:**

This grant is one-time funding; therefore CHFFA will reimburse Behavioral Wellness based upon the expenditures submitted, which details the costs which have been incurred by Behavioral Wellness. Even though receipt of CHFFA grant funding is contingent upon incurring costs associated with the grant, there is the risk that CHFFA may audit the costs and/or services and disallow payments, which would result in repayment. Although the County does not expect there to be additional expenses beyond the grant amount, we are prepared to take on any additional expenses that may be necessary to complete the project, as specified in the Grant Agreement, Section 5.9.

**Special Instructions:**

Please return one (1) Minute Order and two (2) Certified Copies of the Executed Resolutions to: [admhscontractsstaff@co.santa-barbara.ca.us](mailto:admhscontractsstaff@co.santa-barbara.ca.us).

**Attachments:**

- Attachment A: Board Resolution Authorizing Director of Behavioral Wellness to Accept Grant
- Attachment B: Investment in Mental Health Wellness Grant Program 5<sup>th</sup> Funding Round Final Allocation for County of Santa Barbara
- Attachment C: Investment in Mental Health Wellness Grant Program Grant Agreement Number SB-02