



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of  
Supervisors

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**Department Name:** ADMHS  
**Department No.:** 043  
**For Agenda Of:** 6/3/14  
**Placement:** Administrative  
**Estimated Time:** N/A  
**Continued Item:** Yes  
**If Yes, date from:** 5/20/14  
**Vote Required:** Majority

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Department Takashi Wada, MD, Interim Director  
Director(s) Alcohol, Drug and Mental Health Services  
Contact Info: 805-681-5220

**SUBJECT:** Acceptance of SB 82 Investment in Mental Health Wellness Grant

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**County Counsel Concurrence**

As to form: N/A

Other Concurrence: N/A

**Auditor-Controller Concurrence**

As to form: Yes

**Recommended Actions:**

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Adopt and authorize the Chair to execute the attached resolution which authorizes the Director of the Alcohol, Drug and Mental Health Services 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 for the period of April 24, 2014 through July 1, 2015, in an amount not to exceed \$2,663,525.96.
2. Authorize General Services/Real Property to research the availability of appropriate properties for purchase or lease 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.
3. 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 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:**

The Alcohol, Drug and Mental Health Services Department (ADMHS) received a Final Allocation Letter from CHFFA stating the County was awarded \$2,663,525.96 for the SB 82 Investment in Mental Health Wellness Grant Program. The grant award provides funding for two capital facilities and service program expansion to increase capacity of the ADMHS' Crisis Service System for mobile crisis support, crisis intervention, crisis stabilization services, and crisis residential treatment. This grant will allow Santa Barbara County to purchase, rehabilitate and furnish a facility or facilities in South County to accommodate a Crisis Stabilization Unit and a Crisis Residential Treatment facility, as well cover the majority of costs associated with the first year of operating as a mobile crisis response team in Lompoc. The outlined goals of the grant include reduction of unnecessary hospitalizations and inpatient days, reduced use of the Emergency Room beds, improved access to timely assistance, reduction in recidivism, and mitigation of unnecessary expenditures of local law enforcement. In addition, SB 82 promotes comprehensive public and private partnerships. ADMHS has been working directly with Cottage Health Systems on the application process for this grant opportunity.

### **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 2013-14 Budget provides \$142 million in one-time State General Fund dollars for these purposes. The California Health Facilities Financing Authority Act has authorized the CHFFA to make grants from the continuously appropriated California Health Facilities Financing Authority Fund to participating health institutions for financing the acquisition, construction, or remodeling of health facilities.

This grant will greatly aid ADMHS' Crisis Service System for acute psychiatric needs, meet stated goals and outcomes of reducing psychiatric use of the Emergency Rooms and reduce overall inpatient acute admission rates.

### **Key Contract Risks:**

This grant is one-time grant funding; therefore CHFFA will reimburse ADMHS based upon the expenditures submitted, which details the costs which have been incurred by ADMHS. 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 a repayment. In addition, ADMHS is taking on any additional expenses beyond the grant that may be necessary to complete the project, as specified in the Grant Agreement, section 5.9.

### **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><u>Funding Sources</u></b> | <b><u>Current FY<br/>Revenue:</u></b> | <b><u>FY 14-15<br/>Revenue:</u></b> | <b><u>FY 15-16<br/>Revenue:</u></b> |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| General Fund                  |                                       |                                     |                                     |
| State                         |                                       | \$                                  | 2,663,526                           |
| Federal                       |                                       |                                     |                                     |
| Fees                          |                                       |                                     |                                     |
| Other:                        |                                       |                                     |                                     |
| Total                         |                                       | \$                                  | 2,663,526                           |

The above referenced revenue and related expenses are proposed as a budget expansion in ADMHS' FY 14-15 budget.

**Special Instructions:**

Please return one (1) Minute Order and two (2) Certified Copies of the Executed Resolution to:

Alcohol, Drug and Mental Health Services  
ATTN: Contracts Division  
300 N. San Antonio Road, Bldg. 3  
Santa Barbara, CA 93110

**Attachments:**

SB 82 Investment in Mental Health Wellness Grant Program Final Allocation Letter  
SB 82 Investment in Mental Health Wellness Grant Program Grant Agreement  
Board Resolution Authorizing Director of ADMHS to Accept Grant