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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Shelli Brobst for HOWARD HIMES - Director
Health & Human Services Administration

REPORT BY: Shelli Brobst, Contracts Manager - 253-4720

SUBJECT: Revenue Agreement with the California Department of Health Care Services Community Mental Health Services Block Grant (MHBG)

RECOMMENDATION

Director of Health and Human Services requests approval of and authorization for the Chair to sign a revenue agreement with the California Department of Health Care Services for Community Mental Health Services Block Grant (MHBG) funds in the amount of \$341,097 for Fiscal Year 2014-2015.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Approval of the recommended action will allow the County to accept California Department of Health Care Services Community Mental Health Services Block Grant (MHBG) funds in the amount of \$341,097. These funds provide for mental health services to individuals with serious mental illness and substance abuse issues.

FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact?	Yes
Is it currently budgeted?	Yes
Where is it budgeted?	Health & Human Services Mental Health
Is it Mandatory or Discretionary?	Discretionary
Discretionary Justification:	This action is discretionary in that HHSA is not required to apply for this funding. The California Department of Health Care Services has awarded Napa County funding for its ongoing Substance Abuse and Mental Health

Services Administration (SAMHSA) Mental Health Community Services Block Grant (MHBG).

Is the general fund affected? No

Future fiscal impact: This agreement will terminate June 30, 2015.

Consequences if not approved: If this item is not approved, current and future SAMHSA MHBG funding from DHCS would be in jeopardy, and resources for services to individuals with serious mental illness and substance use issues would be drastically reduced.

Additional Information:

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The proposed action is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines) and therefore CEQA is not applicable.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

The Napa County Health and Human Services Agency's (HHS) Mental Health Division has applied for and received approval from the California Department of Health Care Services for its ongoing Community Mental Health Services Block Grant (MHBG) funding plan. The purpose of this allocation is to establish or expand community-based systems of care to provide mental health services to individuals with serious mental illness and substance abuse issues.

For Fiscal Year 2014-2015, the Mental Health Division received an allocation of \$341,097, which comprises a Base Allocation of \$221,845, a Dual Diagnosis Set Aside of \$69,089, and a new 5% set aside of \$50,163 to provide early intervention for individuals experiencing First Episode Psychosis (FEP).

These allocations are being used to fund the following projects:

1. Utilize the MHBG Base Allocation to provide supportive housing services and short-term crisis residential services for seriously mentally ill adults in Napa County to prevent or reduce institutional usage. The Mental Health Division will accomplish this through coordination with two (2) community-based organizations (Progress Foundation's Progress Place program and Family Service of the North Bay's Satellite Housing program), which provide the direct services.
2. Utilize the MHBG Dual Diagnosis Allocation to assist individuals with co-occurring mental health and alcohol and drug disorders to receive services designed to reduce immediate harm to themselves and others and to assist them to stabilize. The Mental Health Division will accomplish this by funding a Mental Health Counselor position to provide outreach, engagement, assessment, brief "in-the-moment" supportive counseling, and referral services to individuals identified as having co-occurring mental health and substance abuse disorders. These services will be provided 20 hours per week and will be supervised by the HHS Mental Health Division's Emergency Response Supervisor. The designated staff will be trained in program criteria for both mental health and substance abuse programs and will make referrals and assist with "warm handoffs" to these programs, as appropriate. This position will be embedded in the Napa Police Department.

3. Utilize the MHBG FEP Allocation to provide early intervention for transitional age youth between 15-30 years of age experiencing FEP. HHSA's Mental Health Division will accomplish this through its Early Diagnosis and Preventive Treatment (EDAPT) contract with Aldea, Inc., which provides the direct services.

This action requests authorization to accept the MHBG grant in the amount of \$341,097 for Fiscal Year 2014-2015.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

None

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Karen Collins