

**Attachment H**  
**COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO**  
**CALIFORNIA**

For the Agenda of:  
June 18, 2014

To: Board of Supervisors

From: Department of Health and Human Services

Subject: Authorization To Enter Into Retroactive Revenue Agreement With The California Health Facilities Finance Authority For Mental Health Mobile Crisis Support Teams

Supervisorial District: All

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**Overview**

The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), Division of Behavioral Health Services, requests authority to enter into a retroactive revenue agreement with the State of California, California Health Facilities Financing Authority (CHFFA) for grant funding available through Senate Bill 82, Investment in Mental Health Wellness Act of 2013, for the provision of mental health mobile crisis support teams in partnership with law enforcement.

**Recommendations**

1. Adopt the attached Resolution authorizing the Director of DHHS, or her designee, to enter into a retroactive revenue agreement with the State of California, California Health Facilities Finance Authority (CHFFA) in the amount of \$266,287 for the term beginning April 24, 2014 and ending March 31, 2015 for the provision of mobile crisis support teams in partnership and collaboration with law enforcement. The Resolution also authorizes the Director, or her designee, to amend this contract for non-monetary changes, monetary decreases, to terminate, to assign this contract, and to extend the term. This authority is limited in regards to monetary increase of the total contract amount by no more than ten percent or \$25,000, whichever is less, per fiscal year.
2. Direct the Department of Personnel Services to reallocate 2.0 FTE Senior Mental Health Counselor-Licensed recruitment allowance positions to 2.0 FTE Senior Mental Health Counselor-Licensed permanent positions.
3. Authorize the Department of General Services to assist with purchasing a vehicle using these funds.
4. Direct the Office of Financial Management to increase revenue and appropriation authority by \$751,709 for the Mobile Crisis Support Teams in the Department's Fiscal Year 2014-15 Recommended Budget.

**Measures/Evaluation**

These actions support the County's Strategic Objective to minimize the impact of mental illness on individuals, families and the community, and will meet all requirements set forth by the State CHFFA regarding measures/evaluation. CHFFA requires extensive monitoring and reporting of

grant awards in order to ensure accountability with the purpose and intent of the funding to cost effectively expand the number of community based mental health crisis resources in regions and communities selected for funding. DHHS will collaborate with the Sacramento County Sheriff's Department (SSD) and Sacramento Police Department (SPD) to collect and provide the required data and track performance measures and indicators.

**Fiscal Impact**

The requested actions add \$751,709 in revenue and appropriations to the Department's Fiscal Year 2014-15 Proposed Budget. These actions are fully funded by the CHFFA grant award and the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Prevention and Early Intervention component funding; there is no net County cost resulting from these actions.

**BACKGROUND**

The Investment in Mental Health Wellness Act of 2013 (Senate Bill 82) was signed into law on June 27, 2013 and establishes a new grant program to disburse funds to California counties or to their nonprofit or public agency designates for the purpose of developing mental health crisis support programs. The grant program is jointly administered by the Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission (MHSOAC) and the California Health Facilities Financing Authority (CHFFA).

**DISCUSSION**

The Sacramento County community has long supported the concept of mobile crisis support teams in partnership with law enforcement, but lacked sufficient funding to move forward.

On January 14, 2014 the Board approved Resolution 2014-0019 authorizing DHHS to submit a grant application to CHFFA for the development and establishment of mobile crisis support teams. The application for mobile crisis support team funding was approved by CHFFA for partial funding award at their meeting on April 24, 2014.

DHHS partnered with both the Sacramento Sheriff's Department (SSD) and the Sacramento Police Department (SPD) on the grant application for two mobile crisis support teams. The intent and purpose of these teams is to expand access to and capacity for community-based mental health crisis services that offer appropriate alternatives to hospitalization and incarceration. The grant provides capital funding for the purchase of a vehicle for the SSD for mobile crisis support team and a maintenance contract for the vehicle for up to two years. The Department of General Services will assist with the purchase of this asset. The grant also provides partial personnel funding for employee salaries and benefits to staff both of the mobile crisis support teams.

In the model with SSD, a team of two (2) mental health staff (1 County clinician and 1 contracted peer with lived mental health experience) will respond to mental health crisis calls through SSD dispatch and will meet law enforcement on site. The team will focus on SSD District 6 which encompasses South Sacramento, a critical area of the County that both law

enforcement and Behavioral Health Services have identified as needing additional mental health crisis intervention response capacity and services.

In the model with SPD, the team will be comprised of a law enforcement officer and a County mental health clinician riding together in the SPD vehicle. The team will focus on the SPD Central Command area which encompasses the downtown corridor and surrounding area, another critical area of the County identified by law enforcement and Behavioral Health Services as needing additional mental health crisis intervention response capacity and services.

The Sacramento County Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Prevention and Early Intervention Component Plan was approved in 2009 and includes the provision of mobile crisis teams as an effective suicide prevention strategy. The Division of Behavioral Health Services (DBHS) put forth a recommendation to the MHSA Steering Committee to expand this component of the suicide prevention project to fund the costs of the mobile crisis support teams that are not funded by CHFFA grant. The MHSA Steering Committee voted in support of this recommendation at their meeting on May 15, 2014.

The increase in revenue and appropriations of \$751,709 includes \$266,287 in CHFFA grant funding, \$242,711 in MHSA funding and \$242,711 in Intrafund transfer between MHSA and Adult Mental Health. This combined funding covers personnel (2.0 Sr. Mental Health Counselor positions and 0.5 Sr. Mental Health Counselor on-call), capital purchases and operating costs for the mobile crisis support teams in Fiscal Year 2014-15. The department currently has 2.0 vacant Sr. Mental Health Counselor Recruitment Allowance positions that can be reallocated to permanent positions, which will be used to provide the county clinical staff for the Mobile Crisis Support team.

Grant funding is renewable on an annual basis contingent on availability of state funds. However, should the grant funding cease or end, MHSA funding will be used to fund the positions and continue this program. The current fiscal year budget includes sufficient MHSA funding for the program and future budgets will include necessary funding.

### **MEASURES/EVALUATION**

These actions support the County's Strategic Objective to minimize the impact of mental illness on individuals, families and the community, and will meet all requirements set forth by the State CHFFA regarding measures/evaluation. CHFFA requires extensive monitoring and reporting of grant awards in order to ensure accountability with the purpose and intent of the funding to cost effectively expand the number of community based mental health crisis resources in regions and communities selected for funding. DHHS will collaborate with SSD and SPD to collect and provide the required data and track performance measures and indicators.

### **71-J ANALYSIS**

These actions are not subject to Section 71-J of the Sacramento County Charter. The mobile crisis support teams will be staffed with County clinicians. The SPD approach will include a contracted peer with lived mental health experience for which there is no county equivalent.

**FINANCIAL ANALYSIS**

The requested actions add \$751,709 in revenue and appropriations to the Department's Fiscal Year 2014-15 Proposed Budget. These actions are fully funded by the CHFFA grant award and the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Prevention and Early Intervention component funding; there is no net County cost resulting from these actions.

Respectfully submitted,

APPROVED:  
BRADLEY J. HUDSON  
County Executive

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SHERRI Z. HELLER, Director  
Department of Health and Human Services

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Paul G. Lake  
Chief Deputy County Executive

Attachments: Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO RETROACTIVE REVENUE AGREEMENT  
WITH THE CALIFORNIA HEALTH FACILITIES FINANCE AUTHORITY FOR  
MENTAL HEALTH MOBILE CRISIS SUPPORT TEAMS**

**WHEREAS**, the Investment in Mental Health Wellness Act of 2013 (Senate Bill 82) was signed into law on June 27, 2013 and established a new grant program to disburse funds to California counties or to their nonprofit or public agency designates for the purpose of developing mental health crisis support programs. The grant program is jointly administered by the Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission (MHSOAC) and the California Health Facilities Financing Authority (CHFFA); and

**WHEREAS**, the CHFFA released a competitive grant selection process for up to \$142.5m statewide for capital capacity and program expansion to increase capacity for *mobile crisis support*, crisis intervention, crisis stabilization services and crisis residential treatment.;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED** that the Director of DHHS, or her designee, be and is hereby authorized to enter into a retroactive revenue agreement with the State of California, California Health Facilities Finance Authority (CHFFA) for the term beginning April 24, 2014 and ending March 31, 2015 for the provision of mobile crisis support teams in collaboration with law enforcement, on behalf of the COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO, a political subdivision of the State of California, and to do and perform everything necessary to carry out the purpose of this Resolution.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED** that the Board of Supervisors authorizes the Director, or her designee, to amend this contract for non-monetary changes, monetary decreases, to terminate, to assign this contract, and to extend the term. This authority is limited in regards to monetary increase of the total contract amount by no more than ten percent or \$25,000, whichever is less, per fiscal year, on behalf of the COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO, a political subdivision of the State of California, and to do and perform everything necessary to carry out the purpose of this Resolution.

**BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED** that the Director of General Services, or his designee, be and is hereby authorized to assist with the purchase of a vehicle on behalf of DHHS, utilizing CHFFA grant capital funding, to be assigned to the mobile crisis support team, on

**AUTHORIZATION TO APPLY FOR GRANT FUNDING AVAILABLE THROUGH  
THE INVESTMENT IN MENTAL HEALTH WELLNESS ACT OF 2013**

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behalf of the COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO, a political subdivision of the State of California, and to do and perform everything necessary to carry out the purpose of this Resolution.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED** that the Office of Financial Management be and is hereby directed to increase revenue and appropriation authority by \$751,709 for the mobile crisis support teams in the Department's Fiscal Year 2014-15 Recommended Budget, on behalf of the COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO, a political subdivision of the State of California, and to do and perform everything necessary to carry out the purpose of this Resolution.

On a motion by Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_, the foregoing Resolution was passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Sacramento this 18<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2014, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES: Supervisors,

NOES: Supervisors,

ABSENT: Supervisors,

ABSTAIN: Supervisors,

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Chair of the Board of Supervisors  
of Sacramento County, California

(SEAL)

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk, Board of Supervisors