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TO: ALL COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS

SUBJECT: APPLICATION FOR ONE TIME FUNDING – HOMELESS MENTALLY ILL
OUTREACH AND TREATMENT PROGRAM

Overview

California recognizes the growing need to allocate significant investments in mental health services and homelessness. Senate Bill (SB) 840 allows for a funding opportunity to the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) to provide counties with one-time funding for local activities involving individuals with serious mental illness and who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless. All counties are eligible to receive this funding, including counties with Whole Person Care pilots. This includes counties with populations with recent involvement in the criminal justice system or release from incarceration. For the purpose of this funding opportunity, “county” includes a city directly receiving funds pursuant to Section 5701.5 of the Welfare and Institutions Code.

The text of SB 840 and the allocation schedule are attached below. Counties are encouraged to match these funds with local mental health funding as well as federal matching funds, as appropriate.

In order to receive these one-time funds, the county must provide DHCS a letter of interest and required attestations (Board of Supervisors Resolution). Application instructions are outlined below and consist of submission of a Letter of Interest and Attestations.

Questions, Letters of Interest and all evaluation and summary reports or correspondence should be sent to HMIOT@dhcs.ca.gov; applications are due no later than September 25, 2018 and can be submitted to the same mailbox.

Letter of Interest

Each county must delegate the single organization that will serve as the primary contact for the county. This entity must submit a *Letter of Interest* to DHCS indicating that the county intends to use the funds for the purpose outlined in the provisions of SB 840. The Letter of Interest should also include a Board of Supervisors resolution as an attachment.

Operational Guidelines

The application review process and timing is as follows:

Deliverable/Activity	Date
1. DHCS releases notification and application for one-time funds	7/31/2018
2. Applications due to DHCS	9/25/2018
3. DHCS notifies applicants of the selection final decisions	10/2/2018
4. Written formal acceptance is submitted to DHCS	10/9/2018
5. Funding fully processed and released to approved applicants	12/31/2018
6. Evaluation and Summary Report Due to DHCS	90 days after full fund expenditure
7. Final date of funding availability for encumbrance or expenditure	6/30/2020

Reporting

The organization will be required to submit a report within 90 days after the full expenditure of funding. The report shall include the disposition of funds, the services provided, and the number of individuals who received services. The report shall be submitted to HMIOT@dhcs.ca.gov.

Senate Bill 840 (as enacted – Budget Act of 2018, Chapter 29)

The distribution of funds appropriated in this item shall be allocated by the State Department of Health Care Services, in consultation with the Department of Finance and California State Association of Counties, and shall consider a county incidence of homeless individuals with serious mental illnesses and county population. The initial allocation shall be completed and shared no later than July 31, 2018. Allocations to counties may include counties with Whole Person Care pilots, but are not limited to counties with those pilot programs. Other counties with demonstrated need, including populations with recent involvement in the criminal justice system or release from incarceration, are eligible to receive funding under this item. For the purpose of this item, “county” includes a city directly receiving funds pursuant to Section 5701.5 of the Welfare and Institutions Code.

(a) Interested counties may submit requests for an allocation pursuant to this item within 90 days of enactment of this act. This request shall be accompanied by a resolution, adopted by the county’s governing board, supporting the use of funds for the intended purpose of this item.

(c) Counties may use all available and appropriate funding to leverage other funding sources, such as federal grants, in serving individuals with severe mental illness who are also homeless or at immediate risk of being homeless.

(e) These funds shall pay for only that portion of the costs of services not otherwise provided by federal funds or other state funds and shall not supplant other funds for these purposes.

(f) Counties that receive an allocation pursuant to this item shall report to the State Department of Health Care Services within 90 days after the full expenditure of funding pursuant to this item. This report shall include the disposition of the funds, the services provided, and the number of individuals receiving services.

(g) These allocations shall be implemented only to the extent that federal financial participation is not otherwise jeopardized.

(h) Notwithstanding any other law, for any fiscal year in which the State Department of Health Care Services implements the allocations described in this provision, the amount of state funding provided shall not be included as revenues for purposes of determining an applicable county's redirection obligation pursuant to Article 12 (commencing with Section 17612.1), or Article 13 (commencing with Section 17613.1), of Chapter 6 of Part 5 of Division 9 of the Welfare and Institutions Code.

(i) The funds appropriated in this item shall be available for encumbrance or expenditure until June 30, 2020.

(j) These funds shall be distributed by the Controller according to a schedule provided by the Department of Finance for counties that comply with the requirements of this provision.

(k) Notwithstanding subdivision (h) of Section 14184.60 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, counties may participate and apply for an allocation pursuant to this item.



Homeless Mentally III Allocation Schedule

Per Item 4260-118-0001, 2018 Budget Act



County	Homeless Mentally III Allocation Schedule
Alameda	\$2,159,000
Alpine	\$100,000
Amador	\$100,000
Butte	\$554,000
Calaveras	\$100,000
Colusa	\$100,000
Contra Costa	\$745,000
Del Norte	\$100,000
El Dorado	\$100,000
Fresno	\$729,000
Glenn	\$100,000
Humboldt	\$200,000
Imperial	\$200,000
Inyo	\$100,000
Kern	\$376,000
Kings	\$100,000
Lake	\$200,000
Lassen	\$100,000
Los Angeles	\$15,000,000
Madera	\$100,000
Marin	\$518,000
Mariposa	\$100,000
Mendocino	\$200,000
Merced	\$210,000
Modoc	\$100,000
Mono	\$100,000
Monterey	\$1,315,000
Napa	\$100,000
Nevada	\$100,000
Orange	\$2,221,000
Placer	\$307,000
Plumas	\$100,000
Riverside	\$1,115,000
Sacramento	\$1,699,000
San Benito	\$200,000
San Bernardino	\$865,000
San Diego	\$4,246,000
San Francisco	\$3,179,000
San Joaquin	\$715,000
San Luis Obispo	\$522,000
San Mateo	\$581,000
Santa Barbara	\$862,000
Santa Clara	\$3,428,000
Santa Cruz	\$1,043,000
Shasta	\$200,000
Sierra	\$100,000
Siskiyou	\$100,000
Solano	\$571,000
Sonoma	\$1,314,000
Stanislaus	\$770,000
Sutter	\$100,000
Tehama	\$100,000
Trinity	\$100,000
Tulare	\$309,000
Tuolumne	\$100,000
Ventura	\$534,000
Yolo	\$213,000
Yuba	\$200,000
Berkeley	\$100,000
Tri-City (Claremont, LaVerne, and Pomona)	\$100,000
Total	\$50,000,000

Methodology

- Allocations were derived using: 2017 US Housing and Urban Development Point In Time Count data, the No Place Like Home non competitive allocation county groupings,¹ and the Department of Finance's Demographic Research Unit county population data used for No Place Like Home.¹
- The allocation separates Sutter and Yuba, and Tri-City is classified as a small county.
- Small counties are highlighted yellow.
- \$3.9 million of the \$50 million is for small counties, which is proportional to the small counties' overall population to the statewide population. Small county allocations are:
 - 1) \$100,000 for each small county, or
 - 2) \$200,000 if a county's percentage of homelessness to the total small counties' population of homeless and the prevalence of homelessness as a proportion to the small county's population, when taken together, is over 4.5 percent.
- Of the remaining \$46.1 million, LA County is allocated \$15 million.
- The remaining \$31.1 million is allocated to the remaining counties based on their percentage of homelessness to those counties' population of homelessness.
- Allocations may be rounded to meet total of \$50 million.

¹ http://www.hcd.ca.gov/grants-funding/active-funding/docs/2018_NPLH_Noncompetitive_Formula_Allocation.pdf