

Legislation Text

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Health Services Department, Mental Health Division (MHD), recommending the Board authorize the Health Services Director to sign and submit the Fiscal Year 2010/11 Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness (PATH) grant application to the Adult and Older Adult Program Policy Unit of the California Department of Mental Health (DMH) to provide funding in the amount of \$36,651.

FUNDING: Federal funding made available through State DMH

BUDGET SUMMARY:		
Total Estimated Cost		\$36,651
Funding		
Budgeted	\$36,651	
New Funding	\$	
Savings	\$	
Other	\$	
Total Funding Available	\$36,651	
Change To Net County Cost		\$0

Fiscal Impact/Change to Net County Cost: MHD will receive \$36,651 in funding for FY 2010/11 to provide for the transition of homeless/resource-less persons leaving the Psychiatric Health Facility (PHF) or the Crisis Residential Treatment (CRT) facility to appropriate placement in the community. The Mental Health Division uses State Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) and Realignment funds to make the required 1:3 match of \$12,217. There is no Net County Cost associated with this grant.

Reason for Recommendation: Since the early 1990's the Mental Health Division has applied for and received a PATH grant each fiscal year to provide for the responsible and efficient transition of homeless and resource-less persons from the PHF into appropriate placement in the community. The application for the FY 10/11 grant will also address the transition of this population from the CRT facility into the community. The grant funds portions of the salaries and benefits of one discharge planner, two case managers, and two rehabilitation workers that assist in transitioning these clients into appropriate housing when they leave the PHF or CRT.

Through submission of this grant application, the Mental Health Division stands to receive \$36,651 in Federal PATH funds to provide important transition services to homeless and resource-less persons leaving the County's PHF and CRT. Included within this amount is \$32,937 of base funding and \$3,714 of funding specifically targeted for veterans. The specific allocation for veterans is a new component of this grant.

Action to be taken following Board approval: Health Services Director to sign the Fiscal Year 2010/11 Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness (PATH) grant application documents. Mental Health Division to submit application for PATH grant to California Department of Mental Health and supply other documentation as required by the application.

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Concurrences: County Counsel and Risk Management have reviewed and approved the PATH application documents.