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Humboldt County
Department of Health and Human Services
Mental Health Services Act
Program Expansion
for fiscal year 2005/2006 remaining funds

Background

This is a request for remaining Mental Health Services Act Community Services and Supports Fiscal Year 2005-2006 funds in the amount of \$70,348.

Expanded Rural Outreach Services Enterprise

Rural Outreach Services Enterprise (ROSE) is a combined System Development and Outreach and Engagement service strategy. It is a new service strategy that provides mobile access to culturally appropriate services in the rural, remote, and outlying geographic areas of Humboldt County, and, in other nontraditional settings. ROSE serves all age groups including but not limited to people who are homeless and at-risk of homelessness. Services and supports will include: integrated outreach and prevention, clinical services including some medication support services, case management, information and referral, peer education and support, and system navigation help. Outreach, peer education and support, and system navigation help will be provided by peer client and peer family member staff. At full implementation, ROSE will be an outreach program for individuals with a variety of physical, mental, and social needs as well as prevention and education activities, thereby reducing the stigma associated with accessing mental health services. Humboldt County covers over 3,573 square miles and has pockets of population in many rural, remote, and outlying areas where there is little or no public transportation available. A unique solution to this issue is to take the services to the clients. ROSE links with and provides support to existing community organizations like Family/Community Resource Centers and Tribal Organizations, and other community partners in order to reach the unserved and underserved populations in those areas. In addition, ROSE will provide social service, public health, mental health and co-occurring services at some designated, more centrally located sites (i.e. primary care clinics) in order to reduce access disparities by reaching out to racial, ethnic and other minority groups in nontraditional settings.

Start Up Funding (One Time Funds) and System Development Funds have been used to purchase a self-contained, customized recreational vehicle with an expected arrival date of Summer 2008. Two small four-wheel drive vehicles have been purchased and travel to various rural, remote, and outlying communities of Humboldt County in order to provide integrated outreach, education, access, intervention services, and service linkage not normally available in those locations.

ROSE targets communities and focuses resources in those parts of the county that have higher concentrations of Hispanic/Latinos and Native Americans. Efforts focus on reducing cultural and ethnic barriers to access that tend to exist in more traditional mental health settings.

Goals and outcomes

- Decrease access disparities in rural, remote, and outlying communities.
- Decrease access disparities to racial and ethnic populations.
- Collaborate with and strengthen ties with existing community resources
- Provide an integrated and culturally competent service experience.
- Promote recovery, wellness, and resiliency concepts.
- Promote prevention concepts.

Program Expansion

Funds will be used to provide field staff with necessary equipment such as laptop computers, cell phones, air cards, and connectivity equipment. This equipment will allow field staff to have access to necessary information and complete required paperwork.

This expansion will increase the number of people served from 300 to 936.

CSS program expansion funds requested for the Rural Outreach Services Enterprise is \$70,348

Public Comment

Two MHSA Plans were posted for public comment simultaneously from April 18th through May 18th 2008. The Plan for Community Services and Supports Fiscal Year 2005-2006 funds and the Plan for Fiscal Year 07- 08 MHSA One-Time Augmentation Funds. The following Information regarding the local review process pertains to both Plans.

Copies of the MHSA Plans were made available to all stakeholders through the following methods:

- Electronic format at: the Humboldt County Department of Health and Human Services, Mental Health Branch, Mental Health Services Act website.

- A poster, comment box, and hard copy format at:
 - Humboldt County Department of Health and Human Services Professional Building, 507 F Street, Eureka Ca, 95501.
 - Humboldt County Department of Health and Human Services Mental Health Branch, 720 Wood Street, Eureka Ca, 95501
 - Humboldt County Department of Health and Human Services Children Youth and Family Services 1711 3rd Street, Eureka Ca 95501
 - Hope Center 2933 H Street, Eureka Ca, 95501
- The Plans were emailed or mailed to all persons who requested a copy in writing or by phone.
- An informational notification and the Plans were sent to stakeholders including where to obtain the Plans, and where to make comments. (See Attachment A)
- Advertisements were placed in the local newspaper April 19th, April 26th, May 3rd, and May 10th with the Plans availability including where to obtain it, and where to make comments. (See Attachment B)
- The Mental Health Branch Director and the MHSA Coordinator announced to DHHS staff, community-based organizations and partner agencies in various meetings that copies were available to be downloaded from the website and hard copies were available from the MHSA Coordinator.

Summary Analysis of Substantive Comments

During the Public review period, comments from stakeholders were received in a variety of ways including emails, phone calls, and comment boxes.

Theme: Recommendations and comments for Crisis Intervention Services (CIS) included:

- Additional training and collaboration with law enforcement in rural areas.

Response: Additional Crises Intervention Team trainings will take place and outreach efforts to rural communities will continue.

Theme: Recommendations and comments for Rural Outreach Services Enterprise (ROSE) included:

- Provide health screenings in addition to mental health services
- Provide transportation to ROSE vehicle
- When developing signage for the ROSE RV be consciences of stigma and discrimination

Response: At full implementation, Social Service and Public Health Branch staff will partner with the ROSE team to provide services in addition to mental health services. Two small four-wheel drive vehicles have been purchased and travel to various rural, remote, and outlying communities and will provide transportation for the ROSE RV. Combating stigma and discrimination will be considered when developing signage for the ROSE RV.

Theme: Recommendations and comments for peer client and peer family members included:

- Hire more peer client and peer family members to participate on service delivery teams
- Training must be available for peer client and peer family members and current staff to create a better understanding of the roll that peer client and peer family members have in the recovery model.

Response: Peer client and peer family member positions have been and will continue to be added to programs. Recovery model training opportunities that include peer client and peer family member participation in service delivery will continue.

Theme: Recommendations and comments regarding rural access to services included.

- Ensure services reach rural communities.
- Make connections with local community in rural areas to understand local culture and players.
- Participation of DHHS Mental Health Branch staff in southern Humboldt community organizations is appreciated.

Response: On-going efforts will continue to ensure expansion of access to services in rural communities.

Comments received and continuing stakeholder participation has guided the refinement of MHSA CSS implementation. Careful documentation was made of all comments received, substantive to this plan or not, and have been reviewed and considered.

The recommendations and comments received were valuable to the continuing implementation of MHSA CSS and to future MHSA planning. A suggested substantive change to this plan that has been made was to refer to people who are providing peer services to be referred to as peers rather than clients.

Certification by County Mental Health Director

The Director certifies that the County will comply with the non-supplant requirements.



Karolyn Rim Stein, Director
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Mental Health Branch
Humboldt County

EXHIBIT 6: THREE-YEAR PLAN – QUARTERLY PROGRESS GOALS AND REPORT

Estimated/Actual Population Served

County: HUMBOLDT
Program Work Plan #: 1
Program Work Plan Name: Rural Outreach Service Enterprise (ROSE)
Fiscal Year: 2007-2008 <i>(Please complete one per fiscal year)</i>

Full Service Partnerships	Age Group	Description of Initial Populations	Qtr 1		Qtr 2		Qtr 3		Qtr 4		Total	
			Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Target	Actual
	Child/Youth											
	Transition											
	Age Youth											
	Adults											
	Older Adults											
System Development			Qtr 1		Qtr 2		Qtr 3		Qtr 4		Total	
	Total Number to be served	Services/Strategies	Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Target	Actual
	936	Mobile access to services in rural and remote communities.	100	45	150	44	200	0	650	0	936	0
Outreach and Engagement			Qtr 1		Qtr 2		Qtr 3		Qtr 4		Total	
	Total Number to be served	Services/Strategies	Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Target	Actual
	50	Peer provided outreach and engagement.	40	0	44	0	46	0	50	0	50	0

Attachment A



Humboldt County
Department of Health and Human Services

Mental Health Services Act

The Mental Health Services Act provides funding to counties to expand and develop innovative and integrated mental health services.

What do you think?

There is a 30-day Public Comment period from **April 18 through May 18, 2008** for the Mental Health Services Act Program Expansion Plans. Plans are available and comments may be placed in the "MHSA Comment Box" at:

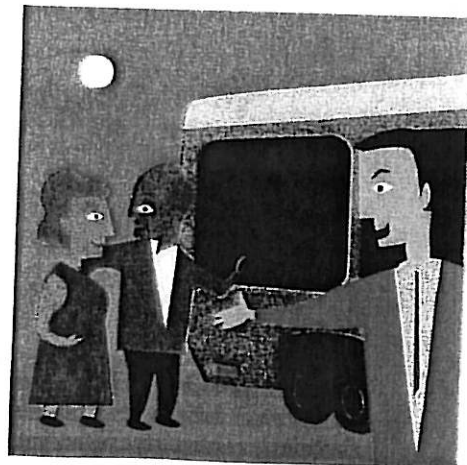
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- County website: co.humboldt.ca.us

To request Plans be sent to you or to make a comment please contact us at:

Phone: (707) 441-3770

Email: mhsacomments@co.humboldt.ca.us

Address: Department of Health and Human Services, Mental Health Branch
Attn: Karen Lofts-Jarboe
720 Wood Street
Eureka, Ca 95501



Attachment B

SOULMATE. HOPE I FIND MINE BEFORE I'M A PRUNEY OLD CRONE.

BEN? OR AARON HILL?

SIGH: GUESS I'LL JUST SIT HERE UNTIL MR. RIGHT.

DING DONG

Jaclyn - This is what ran. Had Ted correct e-mail address (doubled) and will run next Three Saturdays. the job market 4th & K, Eureka 445•6149 www.thejobmarket.org

CROCK / Bill

YOU'LL ABOUT

ARGE

NOW, WHO WANTS TO BUY A MAGIC RING THAT WILL GUIDE US TO THE FORT P

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PIRANHA CLUB / Bud Grace

BUY HOT DOGS OF HAMMER BUNS!

MEANWHILE, IN THE NIAGARA HILTON HONEYMOON SUITE...

I HAVE A CONFESSION TO MAKE, DARLING

MY TAIL ISN'T REAL

DID YOU BRING ME A SOUVENIR?

The Humboldt County Department of Health and Human Services

(DHHS) Mental Health Branch seeks public comment on
 The Mental Health Services Act - Community Services and Supports Fiscal Year 05/06
 Remaining Funds and the
 Fiscal Year 07/08 One-time Augmentation Plans

The plans are available in an electronic format at the DHHS Mental Health Branch website: co.humboldt.ca.us

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 By e-mail: [HYPERLINK](mailto:mhsacomments@co.humboldt.ca.us)
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Comment Period Ends May 18, 2008

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