

## **COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ**

#### **HEALTH SERVICES AGENCY**

P.O. BOX 962, 1080 EMELINE AVENUE SANTA CRUZ, CA 95061 (408) 454-4066 FAX: (408) 454-4770 TDD: (408) 454-4123

AGENDA: December 8, 1998

November 17, 1998

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS County of Santa Cruz 701 Ocean Street Santa Cruz, California 95061

RE: Approval of Renewal Application for Mental Health's 1998-99 Federal

SAMHSA Block Grant and PATH Grant

Dear Members of the Board:

#### PATH GRANT:

Since 1984, Community Mental Health (CMH) has received an annual allocation from the State Department of Mental Health of Federal PATH (Project for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness) funds. The County's 1998-99 allocation is \$11,214.

These funds are used to support a contract with Santa Cruz Community Counseling Center, Inc. (Contract No. 129A) to provide support services at the River Street shelter to mentally ill individuals after discharge from acute hospitalization. The services focus on the prevention of homelessness among these high-risk individuals, assistance in transitioning to more stable living arrangements and direct treatment interventions.

The State requires an annual reapplication process in order for them to administer the PATH grant for the federal government. The renewal grant application (attached) was submitted pending approval by your Board and by the

Local Mental Health Board. The Local Mental Health Board has reviewed and approved the PATH application as indicated in their attached letter.

### **BLOCK GRANT:**

CMH has received a Federal Block Grant since 1985 for the provision of discharge planning services for mentally ill inmates at the County Jail. The goal of this program is to reduce the number of mentally ill offenders who cycle through the criminal justice system. This intervention approach supports a Mental Health Client Specialist who works with the courts and the Probation Department to develop discharge plans to assist offenders to stabilize their lives in the community. The County's 1998-99 allocation for this part of the Block Grant is \$43,000.

In 1992-93, the State Department of Mental Health began an augmentation of Block Grant funds to CMH for providing funds to the Mental Health Client Action Network (MHCAN). MHCAN offers organizational support to client-directed, self-help activities and work opportunities. The County's 1998-99 allocation for this Block Grant augmentation is \$28,261. These funds support a portion of the contract with MHCAN (Contract No. 1460A).

As with the PATH Grant, the State requires an annual reapplication for these Block Grant funds. The reapplication (attached) was also submitted pending your Board's and the Local Mental Health Board's approval. The Local Mental Health Board reviewed and approved the Block Grant application per the attached letter.

These grants are the result of allocations to the County for specific Community Mental Health purposes. Administrative costs associated with the activities funded by these allocations are recovered through cost reporting mechanisms of the State Mental Health System and, therefore, are not included as part of these specific allocations. The continuing grants are under the Revenue section of the Continuing Agreements List approved as part of the budget process.

It is, therefore, RECOMMENDED that your Board:

- Approve submittal to the State of the attached \$11,214 PATH Grant application for continuation of support services to mentally ill clients at the River Street Shelter; and
- 2. Approve submittal to the State of the attached \$71,261 Block Grant application which provides \$43,000 for Jail Discharge planning services and \$28,261 to the Mental Health Client Action Network for organizational support to client-directed, self-help activities; and

3. Direct the Clerk of the Board to forward three (3) certified copies of your Board's action to Community Mental Health for processing to the State.

Sincerely,

Charles M. Moody

Health Services Agency Administrator

CM:PJS:emp Attachments

**RECOMMENDED:** 

SUSAN A. MAURIELLO

County Administrative Officer

cc: Auditor-Controller

County Administrative Office

County Counsel HAS Administration

Community Mental Health Local Mental Health Board



# **COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ**

### LOCAL MENTAL HEALTH BOARD

P.O. BOX 962, CA 95061 (408) 454-4767

October 30, 1998

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ 701 Ocean Street, 5th Floor Santa Cruz, CA 95060

**Re:** Santa Cruz County Renewal Application for FY 1998-99 PATH Formula Grant Program

Dear Members of the Board:

This letter is to notify your Board that the Santa Cruz County Local Mcntnl Health Board met on September 14, 1998. A quorum was present and members reviewed and accepted the renewal application for the PATH Formula Grant Program for FY 1998-99

Sincerely,

John/Laue, Chair

Local Mental Health Board

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cc: State DMH

Local Mental Health Board



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### LOCAL MENTAL HEALTH BOARD

P.O. BOX 962, CA 95061 (408) 454-4767

October 30, 1998

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ 701 Ocean Street, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor Santa Cruz, CA 95060

**Re:** Santa Cruz County Renewal Application for FY 1998-99 SAMHSA Block Grant Funds

Dear Members of the Board:

This letter is to notify your Board that the Santa Cruz County Local Mental Health Board met on September 14, 1998. A quorum was present and members reviewed and accepted the renewal application for the SAMHSA Block Grant Funds for FY 1998-99

Sincerely,

John/Laue, Chair

Local Mental Health Board

JL:ep

cc: State DMH

Local Mental Health Board