

Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Report

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MHSA (Mental Health Services Act) Annual Progress Report for FY 12/13 and 3-Year Plan for FY 14/15, 15/16 & 16/17:

The MHSA 3-Year Plan Narrative and the Annual Progress Report (APR) is being fine tuned to be posted for 30 day review. It is expected to be posted by the end of January 2015.

Community Services and Supports (CSS):

- It is anticipated that many of the CSS programs will have some kind of fiscal cut in in FY 15/16. Behavioral Health Management staff is currently working on recommendations for these cuts. It has been a very hard and painful process.
- Respite Center RFP: Darryl is working on the contract language.
- Crisis Stabilization Unit (CSU): The County is working with the hospital on an Operational Agreement and Darryl Quinn has started to write an RFP (Request for Proposals) for organizations that want to provide services at the CSU.
- **Housing:**
 - Message and info from our current tenants:
 - "You are truly an amazing lady. I wake up every day so grateful and happy. I would not change a thing. I am so happy and I cannot thank you enough. I cannot remember the last time my heart was filled with such happiness, every day here is a gift. I hope that you and your family have a very Merry Christmas."
 - "Thank you so much for being willing to overlook my shortcoming and work with me. I am so happy; I want to stay here. "
 - We also have one tenant who was on our waiting list for housing for almost a year; he had a "history" with a lot of landlords in this area. We finally were able to house him and in March he will be housed for one year.
 - Nevada County Behavioral Health Department (NCBHD) was awarded a small HUD (Housing and Urban Development) Permanent Supportive Housing grant in the amount of \$20,270 to support two units for chronically homeless individuals. Michele Violett has submitted the Technical Submission to HUD. The contract from HUD to implement this program is expected to go to the BOS this month.
 - Homeless Count is happening on January 26, 2015. A Homeless Connect Event will happen on January 27, 2015. At the Homeless Connect Event we will be surveying the homeless community on where they slept on the night of January 26th and we will provide food, warm clothing, entertainment, and support from other local businesses and community based organizations. We will be focusing this year's count to outreaching to youth/young adults and veterans. MHSA funds in the amount of \$3,000 are being used to help with food, transportation, incentives and other costs associated with the Homeless County/Survey/Event.

Prevention and Early Intervention (PEI):

- Mental Health Services Oversight & Accountability Commission (MHSOAC) has rewritten the PEI Regulations. There were so many comments from the public that they are reviewing the comments by sections and reopening public comments by sections.

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- The new PEI regulations require each county have an Early Intervention Program for individuals who need short term therapy.
 - We will be funding therapists at the Truckee High Schools. We are in the process of changing EMQ FamilyFirst contract to reflect this new PEI activity. Previously all the services were being provided in-house through Children's Behavioral Health Department.
 - The other program that Nevada County is looking at implementing is Moving Beyond Depression (MDB). This program is to provide treatment to pregnant or postpartum women who are depressed. This program utilizes a Home Based Visitor Program and therapist who provide Cognitive Behavioral Therapy in the home. Nevada County would like to support this program in the first year in the amount of \$20,000 (4 months) and \$40,000 a year starting in FY 2015/16. The program would be implemented in collaboration with the Public Health Department.

Programs under contract/being implemented: Suicide Prevention, Senior Outreach, 211 Nevada County, Homeless Outreach, First Responder Training, Latino Outreach, Forensic Outreach, Second Step, Early Intervention for Youth, Pregnant Women, Post-Partum Woman and Families at Risk, What's Up? Wellness Checks, Truckee Wellness Center, and mentoring program- Big Pal.

Innovations:

- Mental Health Services Oversight & Accountability Commission (MHSOAC) is rewriting the Innovation Regulations. The regulations are with the Department of Health Care Service's legal department for final review.
- All Innovations projects end this fiscal year.
- The County is working on a transition plan for the HOIT Team.
- Michele Violetta will be setting up Innovation Community meetings in February to start the planning process for the next Innovation project(s).

Workforce Education and Training (WET)-

- Our Voices Matter continues to meet every month.
- Training: Peer Specialist Training is Occurring this week and next week.
- WET Budget: Cathy Cross is working with fiscal and NCBHD staff to determine the amount of funds remaining in the different WET components. All WET funds have to be utilized by June 30, 2018 or they will revert back to the State to be distributed to the other Counties. Of the \$457,000 of WET funds we received \$225,000 have to be spent by June 30, 2017 and the remaining \$232,000 have to be spent by June 30, 2018.

Technological Needs (TN): Anasazi

- The Anasazi Team expects in calendar year 2015 to have Anasazi functioning to allow consumers to be able to look at a portion/summary of their case records.

Exhibit 6 Progress Report- Cathy Cross is collecting the data from service provides for fiscal year 2013/14.