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**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
 COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

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**FROM:** Department of Mental Health

**SUBMITTAL DATE:**

August 4, 2014

**SUBJECT:** Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Statewide Initiatives. District: All [\$482,953-total]

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Board of Supervisors authorize payment in the amount of \$482,953 towards the FY 14/15 Statewide Initiatives

**BACKGROUND:**

Summary

The California Mental Health Services Authority's (CalMHSA) Statewide Prevention and Early Intervention (PEI) initiatives enhance the ability of Riverside County to meet the needs of their communities through effective and cost-efficient suicide prevention and student mental health programs. Riverside County's partnership in California's nationally-recognized Stigma and Discrimination Reduction Campaign is critical to achieving the transformation of mental health services by communicating to all Californians that help is available and recovery is achievable, thereby removing barriers to seeking help.

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 Director

FINANCIAL DATA	Current Fiscal Year:	Next Fiscal Year:	Total Cost:	Ongoing Cost:	POLICY/CONSENT (per Exec. Office)
COST	\$ 482,953	\$ 0	\$ 482,953	\$ 0	Consent <input type="checkbox"/> Policy <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
NET COUNTY COST	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	

**SOURCE OF FUNDS:** Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) **Budget Adjustment:** No  
**For Fiscal Year:** 14/15

**C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:**

APPROVE

BY: *Jennifer L. Sargent*  
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County Executive Office Signature

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

- Positions Added
- Change Order
- A-30
- 4/5 Vote

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3-70

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**BACKGROUND:**

In a dynamic policy environment and with the implementation of the Affordable Care Act, the cost-effective delivery of statewide PEI initiatives frees up county resources for community-responsive and innovative local efforts. With participation in this statewide partnership, Riverside County has invested in California's mental health transformation and in development of breakthrough and culturally relevant best practices that serve the needs of Riverside County's diverse communities.

Riverside County has actualized many positive impacts as a result of the Statewide PEI initiatives as evidenced by the following examples:

- Through the Student Mental Health Initiative trainings, seminars, events, and regional forums conducted through community colleges over 7,635 faculty, staff, and students have been reached. Four Hundred (400) students alone were trained in suicide intervention skills and more than 5,600 University of California Riverside students were screened for depression.
- As a result of the Stigma Reduction efforts, 500 elementary students participated in the "Walk in our Shoes" program that teaches youth about mental health challenges and wellness.
- The Suicide Prevention programs "Know the Signs" and Spanish language counterpart "Reconozca la Senales" reached Riverside County residents more than 11.3 million times through a variety of media images and advertisements.

On June 4, 2013, the Board of Supervisors approved Item 3-41, the Joint Exercise Powers Agreement Amendment that authorized the Director of Mental Health to administer the terms and conditions of the Joint Exercise Powers Agreement and authorized the assignment of Riverside County's portion of funds to participate in statewide programs. At the time the amendment was approved, the contribution amount had not yet been determined. However, in April 2013, CalMHSA released a funding structure to all counties so they could calculate their sustainability contribution. Based on this calculation, it was determined that 4% of the actual local FY2013/14 PEI revenue received would be the amount required to participate in the PEI statewide initiatives. Utilizing this calculation, Riverside County's participation is \$482,953.

**Impact on Citizens and Businesses**

The statewide initiatives, described in the 3 year MHSA Program and Expenditure Plan, are services of the department's Prevention and Early Intervention component aimed at improving the health and safety of consumers and the community.

**Additional Fiscal Information**

There are sufficient funds in the department's FY 14/15 budget for this expense. No additional county funds are required.