

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

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**FROM:** Department of Mental Health

**SUBMITTAL DATE:**

July 8, 2015

**SUBJECT:** Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Statewide Initiatives. District: All [\$1,051,741 total]

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Authorize payment not to exceed \$525,362 towards the FY 15/16 Statewide Initiatives; and,
2. Authorize payment not to exceed \$526,379 towards the FY 16/17 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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*Jerry Wengerd*  
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Jerry Wengerd  
Director

FINANCIAL DATA	Current Fiscal Year:	Next Fiscal Year:	Total Cost:	Ongoing Cost:	POLICY/CONSENT (per Exec. Office)
COST	\$ 525,362	\$ 526,379	\$ 1,051,741	\$ 0	Consent <input type="checkbox"/> Policy <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
NET COUNTY COST	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	

<b>SOURCE OF FUNDS:</b> 100% state	<b>Budget Adjustment:</b> No
	<b>For Fiscal Year:</b> 15/16 & 16/17

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

APPROVE

BY *Christopher M. Hans*  
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Christopher M. Hans

County Executive Office Signature

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

On motion of Supervisor Tavaglione, seconded by Supervisor Washington and duly carried, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

Ayes: Jeffries, Tavaglione, Washington and Ashley  
Nays: None  
Absent: Benoit  
Date: July 21, 2015  
xc: Mental Health

Kecia Harper-Ihem  
Clerk of the Board  
BY *Kecia Harper-Ihem*  
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Deputy

Prev. Agn. Ref.: 06/04/2013, 3-41 | District: ALL | Agenda Number:

**3-28**

FORM APPROVED COUNTY COUNSEL  
BY: *Anita C. Willis* 7-9-15  
DATE  
ANITA C. WILLIS

Departmental Concurrence

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

**DATE:**

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**BACKGROUND:**

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. The Statewide PEI Phase II Sustainability funding plan was adopted on December 11, 2014 by the CalMHSA Board, which Riverside County is a voting member. Based on this plan, participating counties would contribute 4%-7% of the actual local PEI allocation received. Utilizing a 4% calculation, Riverside County's participation for FY 2015/16 is not to exceed \$525,362 and for FY 2016/17 the cost will not exceed \$526,379.

Since 2011, CalMHSA member counties have worked together to implement statewide PEI programs to prevent suicides, reduce stigma and discrimination, and improve student mental health. The strategies and activities implemented are considered to be more efficient and cost effective to conduct at a statewide level. The statewide programs had numerous significant impacts on residents of the County, for example:

- The "Know the Signs" Suicide Prevention Campaign informs Californians of three (3) things: The warning signs for suicide, how to talk to someone about suicide, and how to identify helpful resources. Riverside County residents received Campaign information through TV, online, and magazine ads, resulting in 12 million total estimated views within the county.
- UC Riverside implements trainings, peer to peer programming and suicide prevention programs and a variety of marketing campaigns to educate and train the faculty, staff and students on campus. These training programs incorporated a variety of specific topics and presentations. In addition to training sessions, the CAPS (Counseling and Psychological Services) staff brought in guest speakers, showed videos, hosted evening remembrance events and provided valuable discussions regarding available resources for faculty and staff to reference. Student trainings included broad topics focusing on Stress Management Skills and Mental Health Wellness. At UC Riverside, the over 16,000 faculty, staff and students were trained in mental health topics.
- ASSIST (Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training) for caregivers who want to feel more confident and competent in helping to prevent the immediate risk of suicide of those at-risk for suicide. In Riverside County, more than 250 individuals were trained in ASIST.

**Impact on Citizens and Businesses**

The statewide initiatives, described in the three (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 15/16 budget for this expense. No additional county funds are required.