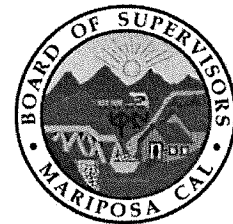


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## **RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2015-13**

MEETING: January 6, 2015

TO: The Board of Supervisors

FROM: Chevon Kothari, Human Services Director

RE: Authorize Adding One Full Time Mental Health Clinician Position

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### **RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:**

Approve the Allocation of One Full Time Mental Health Clinician Position in the Behavioral Health Budget Effective Immediately; and Approve Budget Action Transferring Funding from the Realignment-Behavioral Health Fund to the Behavioral Budget to Accommodate the Additional Position (\$39,823). During departmental restructuring, the conclusion is was determined that the Behavioral Health and Recovery Services (BHRS) Unit of Human Services needed an additional Mental Health Clinician to meet the client services' demands. Additionally, with the recent addition of the new Triage Grant and programmatic changes to the way staff does crisis/triage work in the community, an additional Mental Health Clinician has become necessary. This position will assess, diagnosis, counsel and provide psychotherapeutic treatment, rehabilitation and care coordination for seriously emotionally disturbed children and adolescents, and seriously and persistently mentally ill adults. Further, this position will provide educational and consultation services to other community agencies and the public. This position will be allocated 100% in the Behavioral Health Budget.

Funding to offset the cost of this position is available from the Realignment-Behavioral Health fund. This position is fully funded and there is no impact to the County General Fund.

### **BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:**

The Board of Supervisors must review and approve any changes to the allocation schedule.

### **ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:**

By not adding this Mental Health Clinician position, staff may be unable to keep up with client demands.

### **FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

**This position is funded 100% 001-0402 (BH) and no General Fund dollars will be used. Funding from the Realignment-Behavioral Health fund is being transferred to the Behavioral Health to offset the cost of the position for the remainder of this fiscal year.**

### **ATTACHMENTS:**

**MH Clinician Budget Action (PDF)**

**CAO RECOMMENDATION**

*Mary Hodson*

Mary Hodson, Interim CAO 12/30/2014

**RESULT: ADOPTED BY CONSENT VOTE [UNANIMOUS]**

**MOVER:** Marshall Long, District III Supervisor-Elect

**SECONDER:** John Carrier, District V Supervisor

**AYES:** Smallcombe, Long, Jones, Cann, Carrier

