



MARIPOSA COUNTY

Human Services/Behavioral Health & Recovery Services



RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2013-142

MEETING: April 16, 2013

MINUTE ORDER ATTACHED

TO: The Board of Supervisors

FROM: Jim Rydingsword, Human Services Director

RE: Approve SAMHSA Grant Application

RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:

Approve submission of the "Grants to Expand Substance Abuse Treatment Capacity in Adult, Juvenile and Family Drug Courts" (RFA No. TI-13-005) in the not to exceed amount of \$1.625 million (\$325,000 per year for up to 5 years) to the Department of Health Services- Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration; and Authorize the Human Services Director to Sign the Grant Application.

The Mariposa County Human Services Department is currently seeking funding to both expand and enhance treatment and recovery options to Drug Court participants. Two years ago, the Board of Supervisors approved the Human Services Department to submit a similar grant that was unsuccessful at that time.

Through this collaborative effort with our Drug Court partners, we anticipate improved outcomes for our community members who participate in the Drug Court Program. The goals of the current Project are to: 1) ensure ongoing sustainability of the Drug Court Program through funding for Drug Court partners - Courts, Probation, District Attorney's Office, and Community Based recovery support partners; 2) enhance the Mariposa County Drug Court Program through increased access to services that will decrease barriers to successful participant outcomes in a rural setting; and 3) to enhance the Mariposa County Drug Court Program services through the provision of evidence-based strategies that are currently not available to the majority of our clients, including residential treatment, opiate replacement therapy, increased peer-to-peer and other community recovery and re-integration support programs, and more comprehensive case management.

In order to achieve this, we will implement the following strategies:

- 1) Enhance case coordination, collaboration, and communication between Drug Court partners through coordinated team meetings.
- 2) Expand intensive outpatient treatment, using evidence-based practices, through Mariposa County Behavioral Health and Recovery Services.
- 3) Expand case management, recovery support services, and transportation provided through the Mariposa Heritage House recovery support center.

- 4) Increase oversight and monitoring of our drug court participants through expanded resources in the Courts, Probation Department, and District Attorney's Office.
- 5) Enhance treatment through financial support of Drug Court participants in accessing residential treatment or opiate replacement therapy.
- 6) Enhance knowledge and skills of Drug Court partners through participation in training surrounding evidence-based practices.

Our primary partners in the Project include: the Mariposa County Superior Court, Mariposa Heritage House a Program of Mountain Crisis Services, Inc., Mariposa County Probation Department and the Mariposa County District Attorney's Office.

If approved, this grant will bring approximately \$1.625 million in Federal revenue into Mariposa County. No match is required for this grant. There will be no impact to the County General Fund.

A copy of the grant application is available with the Clerk of the Board.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

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ATTACHMENTS:

Drug Court Project Narrative 2013 - Board of Supervisors (PDF)
Drug Court Grant 2013-18 Budget- Board of Supervisors (PDF)

CAO RECOMMENDATION

Requested Action Recommended


Rick Benson, County Administrative Officer

RESULT: ADOPTED AS AMENDED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Kevin Cann, District IV Supervisor

SECONDER: Janet Bibby, District III Supervisor

AYES: Stetson, Bibby, Cann, Carrier, Jones



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MARIPOSA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

MINUTE ORDER

TO: JIM RYDINGSWORD, Human Services Director

FROM: RENE' LaROCHE, Clerk of the Board *RL*

SUBJECT: **Human Services/Behavioral Health & Recovery Services RES-2013-142 Approve Submission of the "Grants to Expand Substance Abuse Treatment Capacity in Adult, Juvenile and Family Drug Courts" (RFA No. TI-13-005) in the Not to Exceed Amount of \$1.625 Million (\$325,000 Per Year for Up to 5 Years) to the Department of Health Services- Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration; and Authorize the Human Services Director to Sign the Grant Application**

RES. 13-142

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MARIPOSA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

ADOPTED THIS Order on April 16, 2013

ACTION AND VOTE:

1. Human Services/Behavioral Health & Recovery Services RES-2013-142 Approve Submission of the "Grants to Expand Substance Abuse Treatment Capacity in Adult, Juvenile and Family Drug Courts" (RFA No. TI-13-005) in the Not to Exceed Amount of \$1.625 Million (\$325,000 Per Year for Up to 5 Years) to the Department of Health Services- Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration; and Authorize the Human Services Director to Sign the Grant Application

Staff presentation by James Rydingsword/Human Services Director, with Chevon Kothari in attendance to answer questions.

Mr. Rydingsword pointed out that this item notes that it is not to exceed 1.625 million dollars, however, as they completed the grant they found their budget is actually 1.8 million dollars; and that this is all Federal funds with no local match required. Mr. Rydingsword also noted that Ms. Kothari wrote the Grant in the last two weeks; that it is one of the strongest grants he has ever seen; and the due date is this Friday. Ms. Kothari introduced Pam Hawkins, Bryan Blew and Virgil Campbell; gave an overview of the Drug Court Program; noted that it serves about 40 people per year; discussed barriers that they see including poverty, transportation, geography, and limited access to treatment

options. Ms. Kothari discussed the potential expansion of services should this grant be awarded.

Mr. Rydingsword noted that because this is a five year grant it gives us the ability to demonstrate that we can be successful, which puts us in a position to be able to seek other funding for sustainability of such an effort. He also noted that addiction is a disease which affects the community.

Board Comment:

Chair Stetson thanked Ms. Kothari for her efforts on behalf of the County, as well as for the clarity of her presentation.

Supervisor Bibby inquired as to how the success of the program will be evaluated. Ms. Kothari responded; explained the Drug Court process, and that consents will need to be signed upon enrollment; discussed incentives; and noted that they will be looking at many issues including: sobriety over the course of time; recidivism; life changes that they make; and cost benefit analysis, etc. Supervisor Bibby required clarification regarding funding. Mr. Rydingsword responded. Supervisor Bibby also inquired as to whether all parties could absorb a 5% cut if it became necessary. Pete Judy responded that he feels that they have taken great care to not add any general fund dollars.

Supervisor Cann applauded the vision and enthusiasm of Staff and community partners, and recognized that expertise and abilities also need to be paired, as they have been here; and wished them luck with the project.

Supervisor Jones commended Ms. Kothari on her presentation, and Mr. Rydingsword on his work; and commented on the problems that distance and geography cause.

Public Comment: None.

Supervisor Bibby seconded the Motion, but required clarification as to whether the \$1.625 million, or the \$1.8 million, is what is being approved today. Mr. Rydingsword responded that they are actually applying for 1.18 million dollars. Supervisor Bibby inquired if we could ask for the amendment to reflect that amount. Chair Stetson responded affirmatively. Supervisor Cann amended his Motion to so state; and Supervisor Bibby, as the Second, agreed to the amendment.

RESULT: ADOPTED AS AMENDED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Kevin Cann, District IV Supervisor

SECONDER: Janet Bibby, District III Supervisor

AYES: Stetson, Bibby, Cann, Carrier, Jones

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