DEPARTMENT: Human Services/BHRS

RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION:

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BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

See Attached

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

See Attached
TO: JIM RYDINGSWORD, Human Services Director
FROM: MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board

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RES. 10-281

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MARIPOSA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

ADOPTED THIS Order on June 1, 2010

ACTION AND VOTE:

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**Human Services**

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**BOARD ACTION:** Chevon Kothari, consultant, presented the staff report. Chevon and Pat Kuhlman, Human Services Department, responded to questions from the Board as to whether this program could help with the challenges of serving the veterans in the North County; relative to timelines for the funding and the program; and relative to the possibility of funding being available in the future. The public portion of the hearing was opened and there was no input. The public portion of the hearing was closed and the Board commenced with deliberations. Staff responded to a question from the Board relative to authorizing the Human Services Director to sign the documents. (M)Bibby, (S)Turpin, Res. 10-281 was adopted approving the recommended actions for the MHSA-INN Plan/Ayes: Unanimous. The hearing was closed.

*Cc: Chris Ebie, Auditor*
June 1, 2010

TO: Members; Board of Supervisors
    Rick Benson, CAO
FROM: James Rydingsword
RE: MHSA Innovation Plan

Recommendation

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Background/Current Situation

The State Department of Mental Health, under the Mental Health Services Act (Prop 63) makes available to Counties non-competitive funds under certain categories. The purpose of the Innovation (INN) funds are to increase access to underserved groups, increase the quality of services and promote interagency collaboration.

Since April of 2009, Mariposa County's Behavioral Health and Recovery Services Unit has been conducting a needs assessment (surrounding current staff and gaps in services) and a community stakeholders process to determine how to best address the unmet needs in our public mental health system. Several community stakeholders meetings, multiple planning meetings, and solicitation of feedback electronically, have been undertaken to ensure ample community input into this process. As a result, we are proposing the implementation of Team Decision Making (TDM) meetings. This evidence based practice found in the child welfare setting can be of great benefit to the adult population in identifying and breaking down barriers to services.

Justification for TDM activities, as well as a corresponding budget, is provided within the attached INN Plan. In addition to the obvious benefits of increasing our capacity and quality of services, this Plan aims to build a system that will improve accessibility, promote effective services; reduce out of home and institution care; and reduce stigma toward the consumers of these services.
We are currently requesting approval to submit the MHSA INN Plan for State Department of Mental Health approval.

Financial

If approved, this Plan will bring $146,800 in State revenue into Mariposa County. These funds are included in the budget, Fund 410, for fiscal year 2009-2010. No cash match is required. There will be no impact to the County General Fund. Fund 2010-2011.