

**CALIFORNIA HEALTH FACILITIES FINANCING AUTHORITY (Authority)
INVESTMENT IN MENTAL HEALTH WELLNESS GRANT PROGRAM
FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH**

**Executive Summary
Second Funding Round Final Allocations**

April 29, 2021

Background

Chapter 30, Statutes of 2016 (SB 833), Section 20 expanded the Investment in Mental Health Wellness Act of 2013 (SB 82) to specifically address a continuum of crisis services for children and youth, 21 years of age and under, called the Investment in Mental Health Wellness Grant Program for Children and Youth (CY Grant Program). The legislation set the goal of adding 200 Mobile Crisis Support Teams (MCSTs) and 120 Crisis Stabilization Unit (CSU) and Crisis Residential Treatment (CRT) beds as well as increasing Family Respite Care (FRC) services.

The Authority developed emergency regulations that were approved in November 2018 by the Office of Administrative Law, and the regulations became permanent in October 2019.

On May 30, 2019, the Authority approved awards for the first funding round totaling \$730,323.90 in MCST capital funding and \$1,320,660 in MCST annual personnel funding for up to five years for MCST projects in four counties (Marin, Monterey, Sacramento, and Santa Cruz) to develop six mobile crisis support teams.

A total of \$36,732,604.10 in capital funding and \$2,679,340 in MCST personnel funding remained available for the second funding round.

The second funding round opened on November 6, 2019, with an application submission deadline of June 30, 2020. In response to the COVID-19 pandemic impact on potential county applicants, the Authority extended the second funding round application deadline to January 29, 2021. The Authority received 13 applications from 12 counties for a total grant amount request of \$25,393,387.95 in capital funding and \$2,512,082 in MCST personnel funding.

Evaluation Process

Each application received by the Authority was scored and ranked according to criteria defined in Section 7319 of the CY Grant Program's regulations by two analysts and reviewed by a grant review committee that consisted of Authority's managers, staff, and the Authority's technical advisor, the California Institute for Behavioral Health Solutions. In accordance with the CY Grant Program regulations, Authority staff informed applicants of the outcomes of the review process in the form of Initial Allocation¹ letters. Nine out of the 13 applicants (Contra Costa, Humboldt, Los Angeles, Riverside, Sacramento, San Luis Obispo, San Mateo, Santa Cruz, and Tulare Counties) received Initial Allocations for a total of \$14,148,303.71 in capital funding and \$1,540,724 in MCST annual personnel funding for up to five years for the approved projects. Annual personnel funding grant amounts subsequent to the initial amount granted are subject to availability of annual budget appropriations by the Legislature.

¹ Initial allocation is defined in regulations as, "the Grant amount the Authority staff recommends the Authority approve for final allocation ..." and final allocation is defined as "the grant amount approved by the Authority."

Four of the 13 applicants did not receive Initial Allocations because they did not meet the minimum scores required in the program. Additionally, Authority staff took a close look at the costs of the projects to ensure only reasonable, eligible costs were included in the initial awards and that any reductions by the Authority would not jeopardize the project being completed.

If approved, the new projects would expand children and youth mental health crisis intervention services in nine counties (Contra Costa, Humboldt, Los Angeles, Riverside, Sacramento, San Luis Obispo, San Mateo, Santa Cruz, and Tulare) by developing one nine-bed CRT facility, five CSUs with a combined total of 24 beds, one FRC facility, and eight MCSTs consisting of 6 vehicles and 16.75 full-time equivalent personnel for the benefit of eleven counties². Milestone conditions have been included in the grant resolutions to ensure that projects are on track to be open and operational prior to the end of the grant period. None of the county applicants appealed their Initial Allocations to the Authority's Executive Director.

Staff Recommendation

Staff recommends the Authority approve a total of \$15,688,754.71 in Final Allocations. Further information on the second funding round applicants and Initial Allocations are provided in the attached Exhibit A "Second Funding Round - Summary of Recommendations for Awards" and individual staff summaries and resolutions. Also, a summary of total awards made in the CY Grant Program thus far is provided in the attached Exhibit B "Summary of Total Awards by Region."

Next Steps

If the Initial Allocations are approved by the Authority's board, there will be approximately \$22.6 million in capital funding and \$1.1 million in MCST personnel funding available for subsequent funding rounds. Authority staff plans to open a third funding round in May 2021 with an application submission deadline of October 29, 2021.

Authority staff is currently working with the counties that did not receive an Initial Allocation in the second funding round to help them improve their applications to reapply in the third funding round. To spread the word about the third funding round, Authority staff also plans to contact various associations, such as the County Behavioral Health Directors Association, California State Association of Counties, California Alliance of Child and Family Services, California Children's Hospital Association, Steinberg Institute, and the Department of Health Care Services.

Exhibits

Exhibit A: Second Funding Round – Summary of Recommendations for Awards

Exhibit B: Summary of Total Awards by Region

² The County of Humboldt's project will also serve the Counties of Del Norte and Trinity.

**Investment in Mental Health Wellness Grant Program for Children and Youth
Second Funding Round - Summary of Recommendations for Awards**

Resolution	County	Program	Beds	Teams	Capital Funding	Mobile Crisis Personnel Funding
CY 2021-01	Contra Costa	Crisis Stabilization	6		\$ 2,322,571.56	
CY 2021-02	Humboldt	Crisis Residential Treatment	9		3,474,155.00	
		Crisis Stabilization	3		1,407,606.00	
		Mobile Crisis Support Team		1	62,400.00	\$ 160,160.00
CY 2021-03	Los Angeles	Crisis Stabilization	12		2,953,847.15	
CY 2021-04	Riverside	Mobile Crisis Support Team		2	73,160.00	321,647.00
CY 2021-05	Sacramento	Family Respite Care			2,950,000.00	
CY 2021-06	San Luis Obispo	Mobile Crisis Support Team		2	44,000.00	226,535.00
CY 2021-07	San Mateo	Crisis Stabilization	3		618,915.00	
CY 2021-08	Santa Cruz	Mobile Crisis Support Team		1	211,442.00	367,531.00
CY 2021-09	Tulare	Mobile Crisis Support Team		2	29,934.00	464,851.00
Total			33	8	\$ 14,148,030.71	\$ 1,540,724.00

Total Recommended:	\$ 15,688,754.71
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**Investment in Mental Health Wellness Grant Program for Children and Youth
Summary of Total Awards by Region**

Bay Area Region								
Round*	County	Program	Capital Funding	Beds	Vehicles	Personnel Funding	Staff	Teams
1	Marin	MCST	\$ 52,600.00		1	\$ 294,884.00	2	1
1	Monterey	MCST	257,182.90		2	228,093.00	4	2
1	Santa Cruz	MCST	210,336.00		1	206,023.00	2	1
2	Contra Costa	CSU	2,322,571.56	6				
2	San Mateo	CSU	618,915.00	3				
2	Santa Cruz	MCST	211,442.00		1	367,531.00	3	1
			\$ 3,673,047.46	9	5	\$ 1,096,531.00	11	5

Central Region									
Round*	County	Program	Capital Funding	Beds	Vehicles	Personnel Funding	Staff	Teams	
1	Sacramento	MCST	\$ 210,205.00		2	\$ 591,660.00	8	2	
2	Sacramento	FRC	2,950,000.00	1 facility to serve 960 families annually					
2	Tulare	MCST	29,934.00		1	464,851.00	4.25	2	
			\$ 3,190,139.00	0	3	\$ 1,056,511.00	12.25	4	

Superior Region								
Round*	County	Program	Capital Funding	Beds	Vehicles	Personnel Funding	Staff	Teams
2	Humboldt	CRT, CSU, MCST	\$ 4,944,161.00	12	1	\$ 160,160.00	2	1
			\$ 4,944,161.00	12	1	\$ 160,160.00	2	1

Southern Region								
Round*	County	Program	Capital Funding	Beds	Vehicles	Personnel Funding	Staff	Teams
2	Los Angeles	CSU	\$ 2,953,847.15	12				
2	Riverside	MCST	73,160.00		2	\$ 321,647.00	4	2
2	San Luis Obispo	MCST	44,000.00		1	226,535.00	3.5	2
			\$ 3,071,007.15	12	3	\$ 548,182.00	7.5	4

Grand Totals **\$ 14,878,354.61** **33** **12** **\$ 2,861,384.00** **32.75** **14**

* Second Funding Round information is based on approval of Initial Allocations presented at the April 29, 2021 CHFFA board meeting. Details are subject to change based on Final Allocation results.