

# **CALIFORNIA HEALTH FACILITIES FINANCING AUTHORITY (Authority)**

## **INVESTMENT IN MENTAL HEALTH WELLNESS GRANT PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH**

### **Executive Summary Fifth Funding Round Final Allocations**

**December 7, 2023**

#### **Background**

The Investment in Mental Health Wellness Act of 2013 (Welf. & Inst. Code, § 5848.5) (SB 82) was amended by Chapter 30, Statutes of 2016 (SB 833, Section 20), to add the Investment in Mental Health Wellness Grant Program for Children and Youth (CY Grant Program) to specifically address a continuum of crisis services for children and youth 21 years of age and under. 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 adopted emergency regulations that were approved in November 2018 by the Office of Administrative Law, and the regulations became permanent in October 2019. In March 2022, OAL approved permanent regulations that require all grant applications be submitted through an online grant management platform.

The Authority approved awards in four funding rounds totaling \$31,750,917.78 in CRT, CSU, MCST, and FRC capital funding for 14 counties (Contra Costa, Fresno, Humboldt, Kings, Los Angeles, Marin, Mendocino, Monterey, Riverside, Sacramento, San Luis Obispo, San Mateo, Santa Cruz, and Tulare) and \$3,807,263.00 in MCST annual personnel funding for up to five years.

Some counties (Humboldt, Mendocino, Monterey, Sacramento, and Riverside) forfeited a combined total of \$3,596,259.75 in capital funding that was made available in subsequent funding rounds.

A total of \$10,878,486.88 in capital funding and \$192,737.00 in MCST personnel funding remained available for the fifth funding round, which opened on April 4, 2023, with an application submission deadline of July 28, 2023. The Authority received ten applications from eight counties (Humboldt, Kern, Los Angeles, Riverside, San Benito, Santa Cruz, Shasta, and Sutter) and two non-profit organizations for a total grant amount request of \$34,712,356.00 in capital funding and \$2,412,461.13 in MCST personnel funding.

#### **Evaluation Process**

Each application received by the Authority was scored and ranked according to criteria defined in California Code of Regulations, title 4, section 7319 of the CY Grant Program's regulations by two analysts and reviewed by a grant review committee that consisted of Authority 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 Allocation<sup>1</sup> letters.

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<sup>1</sup> Initial allocation is defined in California Code of Regulations, title 4, section 7313(y) as, "the Grant amount the Authority staff recommends the Authority approve for Final Allocation ..." and final allocation is defined in California Code of Regulations, title 4, section 7313(q) as "the Grant amount approved by the Authority ..."

Five out of the ten applicants (Humboldt, Kern, Los Angeles, San Benito, and Santa Cruz Counties) received Initial Allocations for a total of \$10,878,486.88 in one-time capital funding and \$192,737.00 in annual MCST personnel funding for up to five years. Annual personnel funding grant amounts subsequent to the initial amount granted are subject to the availability of ongoing annual budget appropriations by the Legislature.

Three of the ten applicants (Riverside, Shasta, and Sutter Counties) did not receive an Initial Allocation because the applications did not meet the minimum score required by the CY Grant Program. The remaining two applicants are non-profit organizations, which are not eligible entities in accordance with the CY Grant Program regulations. None of the applicants appealed their Initial Allocations to the Authority's Executive Director.

If approved, the new projects would expand children and youth mental health crisis services in five counties (Humboldt, Kern, Los Angeles, San Benito, and Santa Cruz), for the benefit of eight counties and indigenous tribes<sup>2</sup>, by developing/expanding three CRT facilities with a combined total of 11 beds, four CSU facilities with a combined total of 23 beds, and four MCSTs consisting of four vehicles and two full-time equivalent personnel. 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.

### **Staff Recommendation**

Staff recommends the Authority approve a total of \$11,071,223.88 in Final Allocations. Further information on the fifth funding round Initial Allocations is provided in the attached Exhibit A "Fifth Funding Round - Summary of Initial Allocations" and individual staff summaries and resolutions. Also, a summary of total awards made in the CY Grant Program is provided in the attached Exhibit B "Summary of Total Awards by Region."

### **Next Steps**

If the Authority approves the fifth funding round Final Allocations, no funding remains available in the CY Grant Program for subsequent funding rounds. Authority staff will continue to work closely with each county that was approved for CY Grant Program funding to ensure timely completion of projects and that all funds are disbursed before the program and funding expiration date of June 30, 2026.

### **Exhibits**

Exhibit A: Fifth Funding Round – Summary of Initial Allocations

Exhibit B: Summary of Total Awards by Region

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<sup>2</sup> The County of Humboldt's project will also serve the Counties of Del Norte and Trinity as well as neighboring tribes. The County of Santa Cruz's project will also serve the Counties of Monterey and San Benito.

**Investment in Mental Health Wellness Grant Program for Children and Youth  
Fifth Funding Round – Summary of Initial Allocations**

<b>Resolution</b>	<b>County</b>	<b>Program</b>	<b>Beds</b>	<b>Teams</b>	<b>Capital Funding</b>	<b>Mobile Crisis Personnel Funding</b>
CY 2023-01	Humboldt	Crisis Residential Treatment	3		\$ 2,509,305.40	
CY 2023-02	Kern	Crisis Residential Treatment	8		1,926,998.95	
CY 2023-03	Los Angeles	Crisis Stabilization	15		3,970,442.53	
CY 2023-04	San Benito	Mobile Crisis Support Team		4	346,740.00	\$ 192,737.00
CY 2023-05	Santa Cruz	Crisis Stabilization	8		2,125,000.00	
<b>Total</b>			<b>34</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>\$ 10,878,486.88</b>	<b>\$ 192,737.00</b>

<b>Total Recommended:</b>	<b>\$ 11,071,223.88</b>
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**Investment in Mental Health Wellness Grant Program for Children and Youth  
Summary of Total Awards<sup>3</sup> by Region**

<b>Bay Area Region</b>								
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	105,309.93		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	Monterey	CRT, CSU	1,851,546.21	8				
3	Santa Cruz	CRT	7,597,706.36	16				
5	San Benito	MCST	346,740.00		4	192,737.00	2	4
5	Santa Cruz	CSU	2,125,000.00	8				
			<b>\$ 15,442,167.06</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>\$ 1,289,268.00</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>9</b>

<b>Central Region</b>									
Round	County	Program	Capital Funding	Beds	Vehicles	Personnel Funding	Staff	Teams	
1	Sacramento	MCST	\$ 57,177.66		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	Kings	MCST	66,310.00		1	161,055.00	2	1	
3	Tulare	CSU	4,909,775.60	12					
4	Fresno	MCST	586,982.00		8	784,824.00	8	8	
			<b>\$ 8,600,179.26</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>\$ 2,002,390.00</b>	<b>22.25</b>	<b>13</b>	

<b>Superior Region</b>								
Round	County	Program	Capital Funding	Beds	Vehicles	Personnel Funding	Staff	Teams
2	Humboldt	CRT, MCST	\$ 3,536,555.00	9	1	\$ 160,160.00	2	1
5	Humboldt	CRT	2,509,305.40	3				
			<b>\$ 6,045,860.40</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>\$ 160,160.00</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>

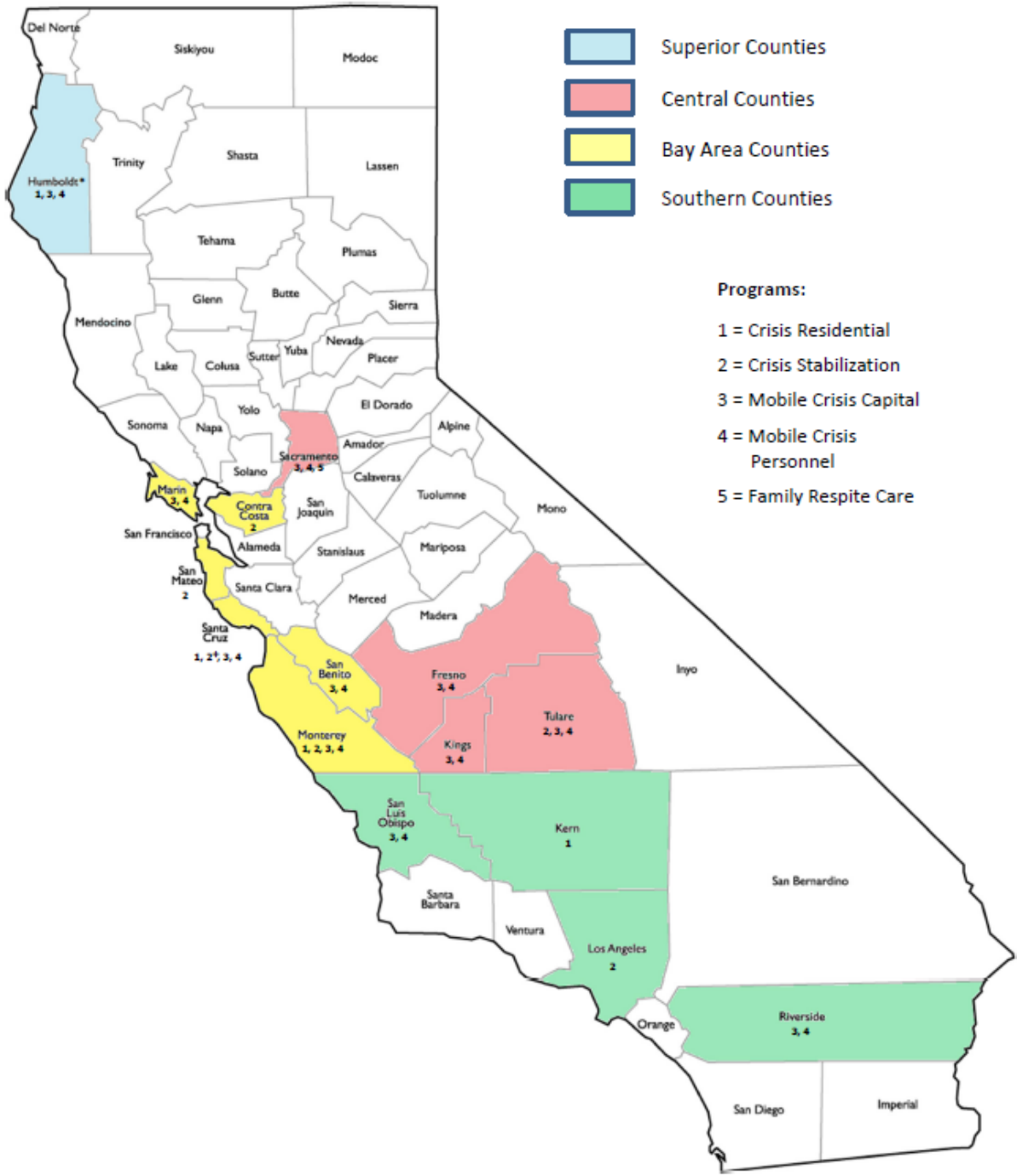
<sup>3</sup> Awarded Amounts Inclusive of Forfeitures.

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	49,649.56		2	\$ 321,647.00	4	2
2	San Luis Obispo	MCST	44,000.00		1	226,535.00	3.5	2
5	Kern	CRT	1,926,998.95	8				
5	Los Angeles	CSU	3,970,442.53	15				
			<b>\$ 8,944,938.19</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>\$ 548,182.00</b>	<b>7.5</b>	<b>4</b>

**Grand Totals** **\$ 39,033,144.91 100 25 \$ 4,000,000.00 44.75 27**

\* Fifth Funding Round information is based on approval of the Final Allocations presented at the Authority’s December 2023 board meeting. Details are subject to change based on Final Allocation results.

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 California Counties by Mental Health Regions  
 First to Fifth Funding Rounds – Allocations



\* The County of Humboldt’s project will also serve the Counties of Del Norte and Trinity as well as neighboring tribes.  
 + The County of Santa Cruz’s Crisis Stabilization project will also serve the Counties of Monterey and San Benito.