

California State Treasurer Fiona Ma, CPA

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Treasurer Fiona Ma Announces \$15.7 Million in Grant Awards for the Expansion of Mental Health Crisis Services for Children and Youth

Sacramento – California State Treasurer Fiona Ma announced that over \$15 million in grants have been awarded to nine California counties under the Investment in Mental Health Wellness Grant Program for Children and Youth (CY Grant Program). This competitive grant program funds facility acquisition, construction and renovation costs, furnishings and equipment acquisition, information technology costs and applicable program startup or expansion costs for crisis residential treatment facilities, crisis stabilization facilities, mobile crisis support teams, and family respite care programs.

Chapter 30, Statutes of 2016 (SB 833), Section 20, expanded the Investment in Mental Health Wellness Act of 2013 to specifically address a continuum of crisis services for children and youth, 21 years of age and under. "There has been a great need for mental health crisis services for children and youth throughout the state of California," said Treasurer Ma. "This need has grown even more so now due to the COVID-19 pandemic."

The California Health Facilities Financing Authority's (CHFFA) board, which is chaired by Treasurer Ma, awarded approximately \$15.7 million in grant funds to nine California counties (Contra Costa, Humboldt, Los Angeles, Riverside, Sacramento, San Luis Obispo, San Mateo, Santa Cruz, and Tulare) to add nine crisis residential treatment beds, 24 crisis stabilization beds, eight mobile crisis support teams and a family respite care program for the benefit of eleven counties (the Counties of Del Norte and Trinity are expected to benefit from the project in the County of Humboldt). Details on county awards are illustrated in the table below:

County	Program	Total Amount
Contra Costa	Crisis Stabilization	\$ 2,322,571.56
Humboldt	Crisis Stabilization	1,407,606.00
	Crisis Residential Treatment	3,474,155.00
	Mobile Crisis Support Team	222,560.00
Los Angeles	Crisis Stabilization	2,953,847.15
Riverside	Mobile Crisis Support Team	394,807.00
Sacramento	Family Respite Care	2,950,000.00
San Luis Obispo	Mobile Crisis Support Team	270,535.00
San Mateo	Crisis Stabilization	618,915.00
Santa Cruz	Mobile Crisis Support Team	578,973.00
Tulare	Mobile Crisis Support Team	494,785.00
Total		\$ 15,688,754.71

The remaining CY Grant Program funding of over \$22 million will be available for a third funding round that will open in May 2021 and close on October 29, 2021. "I look forward to even more awards in the near future with another \$22 million available to be awarded in a third funding round to ensure that more children and youth receive much needed mental health crisis services," Treasurer Ma said.

For more information regarding the CY Grant Program, or other grant funding opportunities, please visit <u>CHFFA's website</u>.

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Fiona Ma is California's 34th State Treasurer. She was elected on November 6, 2018 with more votes (7,825,587) than any other candidate for treasurer in the state's history. She is the first woman of color and the first woman Certified Public Accountant (CPA) elected to the position. The State Treasurer's Office was created in the California Constitution in 1849. It provides financing for schools, roads, housing, recycling and waste management, hospitals, public facilities, and other crucial infrastructure projects that better the lives of residents. California is the world's fifth-largest economy and Treasurer Ma is the state's primary banker. Her office processes more than \$2 trillion in payments within a typical year. She provides transparency and oversight for the government's investment portfolio and accounts, as well as for the state's surplus funds. Treasurer Ma oversees an investment portfolio of about \$126.7 billion, \$34.5 billion of which are local government funds. She serves as agent for sale for all State bonds, and is trustee on outstanding debt of \$93 billion.

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