CALIFORNIA HEALTH FACILITIES FINANCING AUTHORITY
Investment in Mental Health Wellness Grant Program
STAFF SUMMARY

Designated Lead Grantee:	County of Monterey Behavioral Health Bureau 1270 Natividad Road Salinas, CA 93906	**Application Number:** **Authority Meeting Date:** **Resolution Number:** **Total Recommended Amount:**	MH-03-43-011 June 26, 2014 MH 2014-10 $193,615.80

Counties to be Served: Monterey

Project Title: Mobile Crisis Intervention Services for Monterey County

☐ **Crisis Residential Treatment Program:**
☐ **Crisis Stabilization Treatment Program:**
☒ **Mobile Crisis Support Team:** 5 new vehicles and 0 new staff

Summary of Program:

The County of Monterey ("Monterey") will acquire and deploy five Mobile Crisis Support vehicles that will be staffed by three county-funded and newly created crisis intervention specialist positions, as well as existing crisis supervisors and staff. Monterey's new Mobile Crisis Support program is designed to serve children, adults and families experiencing a psychiatric crisis who are at risk of hospital, emergency room, or law enforcement intervention. The program will increase access and capacity for community based mental health crisis services. Monterey's current continuum of crisis care does not include mobile services. At present, Monterey sends crisis responders only to the county-operated medical center's emergency departments to assess people experiencing a mental health crisis. Monterey operates a 15-bed crisis residential program and its medical center has a 22-bed inpatient psychiatric unit. A private community hospital operates an 18-bed inpatient psychiatric unit in the county, too. With this new mobile program, Monterey estimates there will be a reduction in hospital utilization rates, and a reduction in law enforcement resources spent on mental health crises. The project is expected to begin services by October 1, 2014. Authority grant funds will be used to purchase and equip five vehicles, to purchase seven radios and to finance three months of startup costs. Monterey's original proposal to the Authority requested funding for six new grant-funded staff positions, but no funding for personnel was available after higher scoring applications were funded. Subsequently, Monterey developed an alternative staffing plan. Monterey approved three new staff positions for the program to be funded by realignment and Medi-Cal federal financial participation. In addition, Monterey will devote existing crisis staff to support this five mobile vehicle crisis response endeavor. Monterey's proposed Mobile Crisis Support program provides a good example of a county leveraging grant dollars through the use of existing resources to make a program happen. Staff has evaluated the plan and determined it is likely both feasible and sustainable.

Summary of Amounts:

Program	Amounts Requested	Eligible Amounts	Initial Allocation	Expected Federal Financial Participation[1]
Mobile Crisis Capital	$ 446,672.00	$ 231,692.00[2]	$ 193,615.80[3]	
Mobile Crisis Personnel	$ 1,757,346.00	$ 467,576.18[4]	$ 0.00[5]	$ 324,925.82
Total	$ 2,204,018.00	$ 699,268.18	$ 193,615.80	

Staff Recommendation:

Staff recommends the Authority approve a Final Allocation not to exceed the recommended amounts in this report for the County.

1 Senate Bill 82 suggests that each county may seek through California Department of Health Care Services to recover 41% of total annual operating costs for its Mobile Crisis Support Team from Medi-Cal Federal Financial Participation.
2 The Authority deemed some costs ineligible.
3 This amount reflects the totality of remaining funding for the region after higher-scoring applications were funded.
4 Based on 12 months of personnel funding at 59% of total annual operating costs.
5 Although the required minimum score was achieved, no funding is available because higher scoring applications in the region have exhausted the regional maximum.

(JD)

RESOLUTION NO. MH 2014-10

A RESOLUTION OF THE CALIFORNIA HEALTH FACILITIES FINANCING AUTHORITY APPROVING EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF GRANT FUNDING UNDER THE INVESTMENT IN MENTAL HEALTH WELLNESS GRANT PROGRAM TO THE COUNTY OF MONTEREY

WHEREAS, The California Health Facilities Financing Authority (the "Authority"), a public instrumentality of the State of California, is authorized by the Investment in Mental Health Wellness Act of 2013 (Welfare and Institutions Code Section 5848.5, "Act") and implementing regulations (California Code of Regulations Title 4, Division 10, Chapter 5 (commencing with Section 7113)) to award grants for capital funding and personnel funding to finance eligible projects; and

WHEREAS, Authority staff reviewed the application submitted by County of Monterey ("Grantee") against the eligibility requirements of the Act and implementing regulations and, pursuant to the Act and implementing regulations, recommends approval of a grant in an amount not to exceed $193,615.80 for the eligible project (the "Project"), which consists of no more than $193,615.80 for mobile crisis capital costs;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the California Health Facilities Financing Authority, as follows:

Section 1. The Authority hereby approves a grant in a total amount not to exceed $193,615.80 to complete the Project as described in the Grantee's application and as more particularly described in Exhibit A to this Resolution (Exhibit A is hereby incorporated by reference) within a project period that ends on June 30, 2015.

Section 2. The Executive Director is hereby authorized for and on behalf of the Authority to approve any minor, non-material changes in the Project described in the application submitted to the Authority and extend the project period completion date identified in Section 1 as authorized under the Act and implementing regulations. Nothing in this Resolution shall be construed to require the Authority to provide any additional funding, even if more grants are approved than there is available funding. Any notice to the Grantee shall indicate that the Authority shall not be liable to the Grantee in any manner whatsoever should such funding not be completed for any reason whatsoever.

Section 3. The Executive Director is hereby authorized and directed, for and on behalf of the Authority, to disburse funds not to exceed those amounts approved by the Authority for the Grantee. The Executive Director is further authorized and directed, for and on behalf of the Authority, to execute and deliver to the Grantee any and all documents necessary to complete the disbursement of funds that are consistent with the Act and implementing regulations.

Section 4. The Executive Director of the Authority is hereby authorized and directed to do any and all things and to execute and deliver any and all documents which the Executive Director deems necessary or advisable in order to effectuate the purposes of this Resolution and the transactions contemplated hereby.

Section 5. This Resolution expires June 30, 2015.

Date Approved: _____

EXHIBIT A

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The proceeds of the grant will be used by the County of Monterey as follows:

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Summary of Amount:

Program	**Approved Grant Amount**
Mobile Crisis Capital	$ 193,615.80