

**COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA ITEM TRANSMITTAL**

<p>(1) DEPARTMENT Behavioral Health</p>	<p>(2) MEETING DATE 12/11/2012</p>	<p>(3) CONTACT/PHONE Kimberly Miramon, Administrative Services Manager 788-2932 Raven Lopez, Accountant II 781-4783</p>	
<p>(4) SUBJECT Request to approve 1) a resolution to amend the FY 2012-13 Position Allocation List for Fund Center 166 – Behavioral Health to delete a 0.50 FTE Mental Health Nurse Practitioner position and for Fund Center 160 – Public Health to add a .50 FTE Public Health Nurse position for the Homeless Full Service Partnership program; 2) the associated budget adjustment for \$27,647 to adjust Fund Center 166 – Behavioral Health and Fund Center 160 – Public Health for said transfer.</p>			
<p>(5) RECOMMENDED ACTION It is recommended that the Board:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Approve and instruct the Chairperson to sign a resolution to amend the FY 2012-13 Position Allocation List for Fund Center (FC) 166 – Behavioral Health to delete a 0.50 FTE Mental Health Nurse Practitioner position and for Fund Center 160 – Public Health to add a .50 FTE Public Health Nurse position for the Homeless Full Service Partnership program; and 2. Approve the associated budget adjustment for \$27,647 to adjust Fund Center 166 – Behavioral Health and Fund Center 160 – Public Health for said transfer (4/5ths vote required). 			
<p>(6) FUNDING SOURCE(S) Mental Health Services Act</p>	<p>(7) CURRENT YEAR FINANCIAL IMPACT (\$2,973)</p>	<p>(8) ANNUAL FINANCIAL IMPACT (\$5,944)</p>	<p>(9) BUDGETED? Yes</p>
<p>(10) AGENDA PLACEMENT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consent <input type="checkbox"/> Presentation <input type="checkbox"/> Hearing (Time Est. _____) <input type="checkbox"/> Board Business (Time Est. _____)</p>			
<p>(11) EXECUTED DOCUMENTS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resolutions <input type="checkbox"/> Contracts <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinances <input type="checkbox"/> N/A</p>			
<p>(12) OUTLINE AGREEMENT REQUISITION NUMBER (OAR) N/A</p>		<p>(13) BUDGET ADJUSTMENT REQUIRED? BAR ID Number: 1213060 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4/5th's Vote Required <input type="checkbox"/> N/A</p>	
<p>(14) LOCATION MAP N/A</p>	<p>(15) BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT? No</p>	<p>(16) AGENDA ITEM HISTORY <input type="checkbox"/> N/A Date ____ July 17, 2012, Item 10 _____</p>	
<p>(17) ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE REVIEW Reviewed by Leslie Brown</p>			
<p>(18) SUPERVISOR DISTRICT(S) All Districts -</p>			

County of San Luis Obispo



TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Jeff Hamm, Health Agency Director
Karen Baylor, Ph.D., LMFT, Behavioral Health Services Administrator

DATE: 12/11/2012

SUBJECT: Request to approve 1) a resolution to amend the Fiscal Year 2012-13 Position Allocation List for Fund Center 166 – Behavioral Health to delete a 0.50 FTE Mental Health Nurse Practitioner position and for Fund Center 160 – Public Health to add a .50 FTE Public Health Nurse position for the Homeless Full Service Partnership program; 2) the associated budget adjustment for \$27,647 to adjust Fund Center 166 – Behavioral Health and Fund Center 160 – Public Health for said transfer.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board:

1. Approve and instruct the Chairperson to sign a resolution to amend the Fiscal Year (FY) 2012-13 Position Allocation List for Fund Center (FC) 166 – Behavioral Health to delete a 0.50 FTE Mental Health Nurse Practitioner position and for Fund Center 160 – Public Health to add a .50 FTE Public Health Nurse position for the Homeless Full Service Partnership program; and
2. Approve the associated budget adjustment for \$27,647 to adjust Fund Center 166 – Behavioral Health and Fund Center 160 – Public Health for said transfer (4/5ths vote required).

DISCUSSION

On July 17, 2012, the Board approved the addition of a .50 FTE Mental Health Nurse Practitioner and a .50 FTE Mental Health Therapist under the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Annual Update to support the Homeless Full Service Partnership (FSP) Program. The new positions will work in partnership with a 1.50 FTE Outreach Worker, 1.0 FTE Housing/Case Manager, and a .50 FTE Peer Driver/Support Worker contracted through Transitions Mental Health Association. The Homeless FSP Program provides outreach to the most severe mentally ill homeless adults that are underserved and difficult-to-reach and engages them to accept health care, mental health treatment, and housing.

The Agency is requesting to do minor restructuring of the program to better meet the needs of the homeless population by changing the position from a Mental Health Nurse Practitioner to a Public Health Nurse. In addition, the Agency determined it was necessary for the Public Health Nurse to be supervised overall by the Division Manager of Public Health Nursing rather than a Mental Health manager due to the medical nature of the position.

When the program was initially designed, the idea was to provide much needed medical component to perform medical assessments in the field and linkage to health care and other related services. The Mental Health Nurse Practitioner was the appropriate classification in Behavioral Health. However, when developing the program further, it was determined that a Public Health Nurse previously provided the medical component in the Homeless Outreach Program (HOP or also known as AB 2034) and proved to be very successful. The Mental Health Nurse Practitioner is better utilized in a clinic setting and a Public Health Nurse is better utilized, for the homeless population, in a field setting. The Mental Health Nurse Practitioner is licensed to prescribe medication, which the Agency will not provide in the field. The Public Health Nurse is a better solution in this situation to best serve the homeless population.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT/IMPACT

The Human Resources Department has reviewed and concurs that the appropriate classification for the change in the Position Allocation Lists and developed the Resolution before your Board.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

The FY 2012-13 Adopted Budget for FC 166 – Behavioral Health includes the appropriation and funding for the Mental Health Nurse Practitioner. The change in the position will result in a net savings of \$2,973 for the Agency for the remainder of the fiscal year. FC 160 – Public Health will add a .50 FTE, which will be reimbursed by FC 166 through interfund transfers in the amount of \$27,647.

RESULTS

It is anticipated that the Public Health Nurse, as a member of the Homeless FSP team, will support the outreach efforts of the team to 150 homeless individuals and provide one-to-one services to 30 homeless individuals by providing health screening and assessments, health education and counseling, and medication support for those individuals who have entered treatment.

The Homeless FSP program is one of many programs funded by MHSA that addresses service needs for underserved target populations that support the County's public mental health system, and contributes to the Board's vision of a safe, health, and livable community.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Attachment 1 - Resolution for amended Position Allocation Listing FC 160 & 166