

DEPARTMENT: Human Services/BHRS

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RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION:

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BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

See Attached

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

See Attached

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|---|---------------------|---------------------------|
| Financial Impact? () Yes () No | Current FY Cost: \$ | Annual Recurring Cost: \$ |
| Budgeted In Current FY? () Yes () No () Partially Funded | | |
| Amount in Budget: \$ | | Page 1-2 - BOS Memo |
| Additional Funding Needed: \$ | | Pages 3-46 PEI Plan |
| Source: | | |
| Internal Transfer | | |
| Unanticipated Revenue | 4/5's vote | |
| Transfer Between Funds | 4/5's vote | |
| Contingency | 4/5's vote | |
| () General () Other | | |

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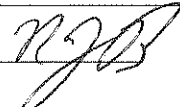
Res. No.: 09-24 Ord. No. _____
 Vote - Ayes: 5 Noes: _____
 Absent: _____
 Approved
 () Minute Order Attached () No Action Necessary

The foregoing instrument is a correct copy of the original on file in this office.

Date: _____
 Attest: MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board
 County of Mariposa, State of California
 By: _____
 Deputy

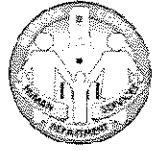
COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER:

Requested Action Recommended
 No Opinion
 Comments:

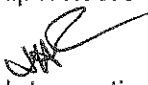
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January 20, 2009

TO: Members; Board of Supervisors
Rick Benson, CAO
FROM: James Rydingsword 
RE: Prevention and Early Intervention Funds

Recommendation

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Background/Current Situation

This is the latest component of the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA). This Act, previously known as Proposition 63, was passed in 2004 as a one-percent (1%) tax on millionaires. Every dollar an individual earns over one million (\$1,000,000) dollars is taxed and the proceeds are divided among California counties for the purpose of sustaining existing MHSA programs and for creating new Mental Health programs.

This latest component of the MHSA is a collaborative effort between Mariposa County Behavioral Health and the Mariposa County Unified School District. The grant proposes that we, Mariposa County Behavioral Health, work with the school district, to create a Prevention and Early Intervention Program. This program will have two (2) components. The first component is called the SMILE Program. The acronym stands for, Step, Mentoring, Individual, Leadership and Enrichment. It is designed to assist Behavioral Health in identifying grade school students who are showing early signs of mental health issues. The initial program will target two grade schools, one in Mariposa and one on the North Side. This component will be staffed by a Children's System of Care staff person who will be responsible for implementation of the program. This individual will recruit and train high school mentors and adult mentors to assist him/her in working with these students. The staff person will train the high school and adult mentors in basic listening and respect skills and in the principles of the Project Respect program (the second component of the program). These staff and volunteers will work with the identified students to help them remain stable at school and in their homes. The staff will assist students and parents in an effort to keep the students out of more serious forms of treatment later on.

The second component of the Prevention and Early Intervention Program will involve Mariposa County Behavioral Health contracting with the Mariposa County Domestic Violence Coordinating Counsel to continue implementation of the Project Respect program. This project is designed to train all teachers, parents and students in learning and practicing positive socialization skills through the Project Respect curricula. This program will be taught at the two pilot schools where the SMILE team will be created.

The funds set aside for the Mariposa County Prevention and Early Intervention Program are in the amount of; FY07-08 \$75,000 (\$75,000 initial planning money received June 08 for a total of \$150,000 for FY 07-08) and for FY 08-09 \$125,000. Total requested \$200,000. In addition to current year funding we have also received a planning estimate of \$225,000 for FY09-10.

Financial

There is no impact on County General Fund dollars. There is no local match requirement.