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Board Report

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Adopt the Monterey County Mental Health Services Act Fiscal Year 2021-22 Annual Update.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors:

Adopt the Monterey County Mental Health Services Act Fiscal Year 2021-22 Annual Update.

SUMMARY:

The Mental Health Services Act (“MHSA”), formerly known as Proposition 63, requires each county to develop a Three-Year Program and Expenditure Plan (“MHSA Plan”). The current FY21-23 MHSA Plan for Monterey County was adopted by the Board of Supervisors on June 30, 2020. In the second and third years of each MHSA Plan period, counties are required to prepare Annual Updates to their adopted MHSA Plan. The purpose of the Annual Update is to update budget information, and if needed, make changes to programs. Local stakeholder input and other data are used in the development of each draft MHSA Plan and Annual Update documents. After a public review and comment process, which culminates with a Public Hearing conducted by the Behavioral Health Commission, the document is finalized for adoption by the Board of Supervisors before being forwarded to the State Department of Health Care Services and Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission.

DISCUSSION:

The MHSA FY 2021-22 Annual Update (“Annual Update”) has been informed by local stakeholder input gathered during the community program planning process. It reflects the identified priority needs and system improvements to serve residents with mental health challenges and their families, with an intentional focus on increased access for unserved and underserved cultural populations in Monterey County. The Annual Update also includes a Community Needs Assessment Report and FY 2019-20 data on the following MHSA components: Community Services & Supports, Prevention & Early Intervention, Innovation and Workforce Education & Training. The Annual Update includes the necessary fiscal adjustments to align the revenue and expenditure plan with the Health Department Behavioral Health Bureau’s Adopted Budget for FY 2021-22.

As required by MHSA regulations, the draft Annual Update was circulated and posted for a thirty-day public comment period beginning May 25 and concluding June 23, 2021. On June 24, the Monterey County Behavioral Health Commission (“Commission”) conducted a Public Hearing via ZOOM on the draft Annual Update, which included a presentation, a summary of comments received, and the staff response to those comments. The Commission received additional comments from those attending the Public Hearing before voting to approve the MHSA FY 2021-22 Annual Update to include the public comments, staff responses, and the Commission Meeting Minutes, and to forward the final document to the Board of Supervisors for adoption.

This work supports the following Monterey County Health Department 2018-2022 Strategic Plan Initiatives: 2. Enhance community health and safety by emphasizing prevention; and 3. Ensure access to culturally and linguistically appropriate, customer-friendly, quality health services. It also supports one or more of the ten essential public health services, specifically: 3. Inform, educate, and empower people about health issues.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

The MHSA FY 2021-22 Annual Update document has been reviewed and approved by the Monterey County Behavioral Health Commission and is recommended for adoption by the Board of Supervisors.

FINANCING:

There are no impacts on the County General Fund associated with this recommended action.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS STRATEGIC INITIATIVES:

Check the related Board of Supervisors Strategic Initiatives:

Economic Development:

- Through collaboration, strengthen economic development to ensure a diversified and healthy economy.

Administration:

- Promote an organization that practices efficient and effective resource management and is recognized for responsiveness, strong customer orientation, accountability and transparency.

Health & Human Services:

- Improve health and quality of life through County supported policies, programs, and services; promoting access to equitable opportunities for healthy choices and healthy environments in collaboration with communities.

Infrastructure:

- Plan and develop a sustainable, physical infrastructure that improves the quality of life for County residents and supports economic development results.

Public Safety:

- Create a safe environment for people to achieve their potential, leading businesses and communities to thrive and grow by reducing violent crimes as well as crimes in general.

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Attachments:

MHSA Annual Update FY 2021-22

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