



Grants Report

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The Grants Report is a condensed list of grant requests by County agencies/departments that allows the Board of Supervisors to discuss and approve grant submittals in one motion at a Board meeting. County policy dictates that the Board of Supervisors must approve all grant applications prior to submittal to the grantor. This applies to grants of all amounts, as well as to new grants and those that have been received by the County for many years as part of an ongoing grant. Receipt of grants under \$50,000 is delegated to the County Executive Officer. This report allows for better tracking of county grant requests, the success rate of our grants, and monitoring of County's grants activities. It also serves to inform Orange County's Sacramento and Washington, D.C. advocates of county grant activities involving the state or federal governments.

On December 16, 2008, the Board of Supervisors will consider the following actions:

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS

New Grant Applications

1. Approve– Health Care Agency- Mental Health Services Act: Community Services and Supports Component (\$52,212,700)
2. Approve- OC Community Resources- Routine Funding Applications for New and Recurring OC Community Resources Grants (\$50,841,856)
3. Receive and File Grants Report

Receive Grant Awards

None

ACTION ITEMS

Approve– Health Care Agency- Mental Health Services Act: Community Services and Supports Component

Requester: Health Care Agency

Program: Mental Health Services Act: Community Services and Supports Component

Amount Requested: \$52,212,700
Match/Cost: \$ 0
Application Due Date:
Grantor: Mental Health Services Act

Under the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA), the Health Care Agency receives funding for Community Services and Supports (CSS). For FY2008-09, the CSS allocation for Orange County is \$52,212,700, which includes \$15,909,560 in "Growth Funds". The FY2008-09 CSS funding will be used to support existing Mental Health and Supportive Services programs, as well as to add three new programs to the continuum of care: a Recovery Center Program, a Peer Mentoring Program for Adults, and a Peer Mentoring Program for Older Adults. The State Department of Mental Health is expected to take approximately 60 days to review and approve this Request for Funding.

The purpose of the grant is to fund activities that fall within the scope of the MHSA CSS component and are aimed at developing a transformed mental health system that is culturally competent, client-centered, wellness and recovery-focused, integrated, and includes community collaboration. The activities funded in the grant were developed through an open, participatory community stakeholder process followed with approval by the MHSA Steering Committee (composed of 62 community representatives), and a public comment period of 30 days.

The grant-funded services will be provided by a combination of HCA staff and community-based organizations. Existing HCA positions will be assigned to MHSA in addition to new positions approved through the First Quarterly Budget Report on November 25, 2008. There is no county match required for this grant.

A number of County Agencies/Departments are represented on the MHSA Steering Committee, including the Social Services Agency, Probation, the Children and Families Commission, the Orange County Sheriff's Department, the Department of Education, Public Health Services, the District Attorney's Office, and Orange County Community Services.

Approve- OC Community Resources- Routine Funding Applications for New and Recurring OC Community Resources Grants

Requester: OC Community Resources
Program: Various New and Recurrent Grants
Amount Requested: \$\$50,841,856
Match/Cost: \$ 0
Application Due Date: Will Vary throughout 2009, due to Sponsoring Organizations
Grantor: U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development; U.S. Department of Labor; U.S. Department of Justice; California Department of Aging; California Department of Health & Human Services; State of California Employment Development Department; Governor's Office of Emergency Services; National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA); California Department of Education; California State Library; Institute of Museum & Library Services; National Endowment for Humanities; Coast Community College District; California Community College; Robert W. Johnson Foundation; Orange County United Way; Mitsubishi Electronic America Foundation; and Target Corporation.

OC Community Resources is seeking funds from 8 new grant resources and 31 recurrent sources. The purpose of these grant funds are to assist OC Community Resources in providing much needed services and programs to our community. Funds received from these grants will be used to create and retain jobs for OC's workers; job training; job assistance and training for veterans and disabled workers; job training for persons displaced due to significant situation (e.g., fire); expand existing employment and advancement opportunities; temporary and long term housing assistance for homeless individuals and families, and victims of domestic violence; promote reading and literacy program; assist library staff in seeking library degrees; support English language and civics education programs; and provide artwork that portrays American history and culture.

A majority (27 out 39) of the grant opportunities listed contain a match component. Due to the variety of Sponsoring Organizations and application deadlines a specific dollar figure is not available at this time. Depending on the funding source, most of the grant opportunities listed allow for in-kind services in place of monetary match requirements. OC Community Resources does not anticipate, but cannot be certain, if any of the new grants will require County General fund match. In the event that County General Funds are necessary, the Department will return to the Board prior to submission of the application.

If you or your staff have any questions or require additional information on any of the items in this Report, please contact Kelly Channing at 714.834.3832 or Donna Grubaugh at 714.834.7218.