



# MULTNOMAH COUNTY AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST NOTICE OF INTENT

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APPROVED: MULTNOMAH COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA # R-5 DATE 4/3/14  
MARINA BAKER, ASST BOARD CLERK

## Board Clerk Use Only

Meeting Date: 4/3/14  
Agenda Item #: R.5  
Est. Start Time: 10:10 am  
Date Submitted: 3/17/14

**NOTICE OF INTENT to apply for a \$348,142 grant through the Substance and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), for Mental Health Treatment Court Expansion.**

Requested Meeting Date: April 3 2014 Time Needed: 10 minutes  
Department: County Human Services Division: MHASD  
Contact(s): Teri Beemer, Neal Rotman  
Phone: 503-988-4909 Ext.          I/O Address:           
Presenter Name(s) & Title(s): Teri Beemer - Assistant Director MHASD, Neal Rotman - CMHP Manager

## General Information

### 1. What action are you requesting from the Board?

The Department of County Human Services - Mental Health and Addiction Services Division requests permission to apply for federal funding up to \$348,142 for one year, from the Substance Abuse & Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA). The grant is for a Behavioral Health Treatment Court Collaborative (BHTCC) program to expand current Diversion Court programming for people involved with the Multnomah County Criminal Justice system that suffer from Severe Mental Illness (SMI), Substance Abuse issue, or a Co-Occurring Disorder.

### 2. Please provide sufficient background information for the Board and the public to understand this issue. Please note which Program Offer this action affects and how it impacts the results.

The SAMHSA Behavioral Health Treatment Court Collaborative (BHTCC) program is designed to promote and improve public health and safety by supporting the treatment and recovery support for people with mental health conditions and/or addictions involved in the criminal justice system. In addition, the program prioritizes the behavioral health needs of Veterans, Military Members and people of color who become involved in the criminal justice system.

The Department of County Human Services – Mental Health & Addition Services Division plans to partner with the local courts, criminal justice, and the treatment provider system to create an integrated, systems-wide approach to reduce recidivism for people with severe mental illness, substance abuse issues, and co-occurring disorders (emphasis on veterans, military service members and people of color).

The program will focus on strengthening collaboration and planning, increase training in substance disorders and trauma informed care, early identification through screening, and linking to appropriate treatment services. The program will assure all services are client-centered, recovery focused and quality driven.

The program will include the following aspects:

- (1) creation of a Behavioral Health Court Collaborative Council that will design a unified, integrated system of support for the targeted population of individuals with behavioral health issues involved in the criminal justice system;
- (2) development of a coordinated referral system that includes a universal assessment tool to ensure people with behavioral health issues within the criminal justice system are rapidly identified and enable to access important services and recovery plans;
- (3) decrease current disparities experienced by people of color, as well as Veterans/Military Service Members with behavioral health issues involved in the criminal justice system;
- (4) increase diversion, and alternatives to criminal justice involvement for the targeted population.

Completion of these important goals will ensure that vulnerable people involved in the criminal justice system are supported by a network of collaborating partners, and linked to important services to increase their chance at recovery success, positive reintegration into the community, and overall quality of life.

**3. Explain the fiscal impact (current year and ongoing).**

Federal funding from SAMHSA under this grant will provide the Department of County Human Services – Mental Health & Addiction Services Division with up to \$348,142 for one year, with the option to apply for an additional three years (cumulative four year-project period total: \$1,392,568). Program Offer #: 25088 Coordinated Diversion for Persons with Mental Illness. WBS: MA AD CO DIVERT, MA SC CO DIVERT.

**4. Explain any legal and/or policy issues involved.**

There are no-known legal issues within this grant. The program will utilize the Equity and Empowerment Lens during program design.

**5. Explain any citizen and/or other government participation that has or will take place.**

The project will partner with Municipal Judges, District Attorney, Department of Community Justice, Multnomah County Health Department, system partners and, mental health and addictions service providers.

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**Grant Application/Notice of Intent**

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If the request is a Grant Application or Notice of Intent, please answer all of the following in detail:

- Who is the granting agency?

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CSAT) and Center for Mental Health Services (CMHS). SAMHSA sits within the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services.

- **Specify grant (matching, reporting and other) requirements and goals.**

Matching: No cost matching is required.

Reporting: An Annual Progress Report, as well as Quarterly Data & Performance Reports will be required as part of the grantees non-competing continuation application. Grantees are additionally required to submit quarterly, annual, and final Federal Financial Reports.

- **Explain grant funding detail – is this a one-time only or long term commitment?**

This grant application will be for one year, up to \$348,142, with the option of applying for the next three years for a grand total of \$1,392,568 for four years.

- **What are the estimated filing timelines?**

The application is due April 18, 2014 via electronic submission.

- **If a grant, what period does the grant cover?**

SAMHSA outlines the full project period as September 30, 2014 to September 29<sup>th</sup>, 2018. SAMHSA was unable to define the initial year project timeline further.

- **When the grant expires, what are funding plans?**

If the Division is awarded year one of the grant, we will seek approval from the Board of Commissioners to approve application for an additional three years. Ultimately, the program is to be financially self sustaining. The Division will seek to cover the costs through State General Fund and/or County General Fund.

- **Is 100% of the central and departmental indirect recovered? If not, please explain why.**

The grant will cover 100% of the central and departmental indirect.

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## Required Signatures

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Elected Official  
or Department/  
Agency Director:

Susan Myers /s/

3/14/14

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Budget Analyst: Jennifer Unruh /s/

Date: 3/14/14

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