



**Mental Health Services Act Extension Expenditure Plan for Capital  
Facilities And Technology Needs**

**Approved April 24, 2018**

## **INTRODUCTION**

Per the Department of Health Care Services' (DHCS) MHSUDS Information Notice 17-059, Kings County (Kings County Behavioral Health) has created the following plan to request an extension for expending its Capital Facilities and Technology Needs (CFTN) funds in accordance with Welfare and Institutions Code 5892.1 (1).

Through this plan, Kings County shall seek a formal extension for expending \$693,398 of CFTN (2) funds received in Fiscal Year 2007/08 to a new date of July 1, 2020. Without this plan and extension, the current funds would be subject to reversion back to the State on July 1, 2018.

## **BACKGROUND**

Kings County received an allocation of \$693,398 via the CFTN funds in FY 2007/08. These funds were to be used in subsequent Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) 3 Year Plans for capital projects.

In the 2014-17 MHSA Three Year Plan(3), Kings County sought to use some of its CFTN funds for possible one-stops as an avenue to increase access to services in some of its rural and underserved communities.

Throughout the 2014-17 MHSA plan years, the County explored options for one-stops. Several needs assessments and community focus groups identified Avenal as the primary location for a one-stop based on distance to services, transportation challenges, and limited resources at the time.

Kings County Behavioral Health explored the possible co-location of some services at a county owned building where Public Health (PH) provides some part-time services, and the costs for renovations to allow for some Behavioral Health services to be rendered. Behavioral Health also explored a possible space in Avenal with the Kings County Human Services Agency (HSA) for co-location of services in 2016. That existing space was not feasible or cost effective.

The community of Avenal has limited existing buildings and office space where services can be located. Also, the parameters for CFTN funds eliminated some options and limited others as well.

Avenal is a geographically and culturally isolated rural community in Kings County, which has an estimated population of 13,159 (California Department of Finance). This One-Stop would also serve the neighboring community of Kettleman City with its population of 1,439 (United State Census 2010). Avenal is approximately 40 miles from the County seat of Hanford and where most services are currently available. Kettleman City is 35 miles from the County seat. With a One-Stop in Avenal, the residents of Kettleman City could access services which are just 18 miles away, versus Hanford that is twice the distance.

CFTN funds have been allocated for the development of one-stop center again in the current MHSA Three Year Plan 2017-2020(4). The current MHSA Three Year Plan specifically calls for the creation of a One Stop Service Center in the City of Avenal as a CFTN project.

Kings County, however, has to expend the noted allocation by July 1, 2018 or seek an extension for expending the funds. If not spent or an extension obtained, the funds are subject to reversion to the State on July 1, 2018. As the County has an existing plan for the funds, and the County's extension shall ensure that the County can retain the funds to be used for the project already identified in the current MHSA Three Year Plan.

## **PLAN**

Kings County Behavioral Health, in collaboration with Kings County Human Services Agency, Kings County Public Health and the County Administration, has begun the process to build a 5,000 sq./ft. One-Stop building on county owned property in the City of Avenal. As of January 2018 agreements to proceed have been made between the three departments and a planning process is in place to build a One Stop facility on that county property in Avenal, CA.

The current MHSA Three Year Plan has allocated \$693,398 CFTN funds for the establishment of a County One-Stop in Avenal. This plan was developed and approved by stakeholders (including the Kings County Behavioral Health Advisory Board), the MHSA Three Year Planning Steering Committee, as well as the Kings County Board of Supervisors and was submitted to the Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission.

The Avenal One-Stop will address transportation and geographical challenges regarding access to care for this underserved community, and will also increase the coordination of care by establishing a consistent presence by several county agencies and co-locating services. The One-Stop shall create the foundation of expansion of county services and allow for the development of additional services such as tele-psych, prevention program, community trainings and outreach.

While the plan for the Avenal One-Stop Service Center moves forward, it is unlikely that this effort which includes construction projects will be completed by June 30, 2018 or that the funds for the program can be expended before the end of the current fiscal year. With capital facilities projects, there are delays from planning, permits, and construction challenges and, thus, seeking an extension to July 1, 2020 shall ensure that the funds for the completion of the project will be available and can be expended.

The MHSA CFTN funds are not the sole funding for the Avenal One-Stop, but will be the majority of project funding, and will be the initial capital for the construction project. Upon completion of the One-Stop, Behavioral Health shall utilize approximately a third of the space for an array of behavioral health services.

## **CONCLUSION**

The process to approve this per DHCS Notice Number 17-059(6) requires a plan for requesting an extension to be developed. The project for which the funding allocation extension is needed is already an existing project. The plan shall be submitted for a 30 day public comment beginning March 13, 2018. Kings County shall then submit the plan to the Kings County Behavioral Health Advisory Board and then the Kings County Board of Supervisors for approval before the end of April, 2018. Upon approval, this

plan will be submitted to DHCS as a formal request for an extension of the funds to June 30, 2020 to support the completion of a County One-Stop Service Center in the City of Avenal.

The Kings County Board of Supervisors formally approved the CFTN Expenditure Extension Plan on April 24, 2018.

#### REFERENCES

1. [Welfare & Institutions Code 5829.1 -6\(h\)\(1\).](#)
2. [Capital Facilities and Technology Needs \(CFTN\)](#)
3. [Kings County MHSA Three Plan \(2014-2017\)](#)
4. [Kings County MHSA Three Year Plan \(2017-2020\)](#)
5. [Behavioral Health Well-Being And Access To Services Among Adults In Avenal, CA.](#)
6. [Department of Health Care Services Information Notice.: 17-059](#)

All documents in the attached annual update are true and correct.

**Lisa Lewis, PhD**

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Kings County Behavioral Health Director

 9/25/18  
Signature Date



# COUNTY OF KINGS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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Catherine Venturella, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

## AGENDA ITEM

April 24, 2018

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**SUBMITTED BY:** Behavioral Health –Lisa Lewis/Ahmad Bahrami

**SUBJECT:** CAPITAL FACILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY NEEDS EXPENDITURE  
EXTENSION PLAN

**SUMMARY:**

**Overview:**

Behavioral Health (BH) is seeking for an approval for its extension plan for expending its Capital Facilities and Technology Needs (CFTN) funds under the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) from June 30, 2018 to June 30, 2020.

**Recommendation:**

**Approve the Capital Facilities and Technology Needs Expenditure Extension Plan in order to complete the County One-Stop Service Center in the City of Avenal.**

**Fiscal Impact:**

There is no additional cost to the County General Fund. The expenditure on the extension plan shall ensure that the County's \$693,398 of CFTN funds does not revert back to the California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) if unspent by June 30, 2018 and, instead, allows the County an extension to retain the funds until June 30, 2020. The extension provides for the funds to be used in a project already identified in the County's MHSA Three Year Plan. The CFTN funds for Fiscal Year 2017/2018 are found in County Budget Unit #422200 titled Mental Health Services Act.

**BACKGROUND:**

Assembly Bill 114 (Chapter 38, Statute of 2017) which took effect July 20, 2017, amended certain aspects of the Welfare and Institutions Code Sections related to the reversion of unspent MHSA funds.

DHCS notified counties under Information Notice 17-059 that counties that had unspent MHSA funds would be subject to reversion to the State after June 30, 2018, unless they obtained an extension.

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**BOARD ACTION:**

APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED: ☒ OTHER: ☐

**ROLL CALL: VERBOON, VALLE, NEVES, PEDERSEN - AYE  
FAGUNDES - ABSENT**

I hereby certify that the above order was passed and adopted  
on 4/24/2018.

CATHERINE VENTURELLA, Clerk to the Board

By Melanie Guter, Deputy.

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The extensions will allow counties to expend the funds by June 30, 2020. The funds have to be expended in accordance with MHSA planned activities through the MHSA Three Year Plans and stakeholder processes and regulations of the category of funding.

In its 2014-2017 and 2017-2020 MHSA Three Year Plans, Kings County and its stakeholders identified establishing a One-Stop Service Center in the city of Avenal, which would allow for expansion of services to Avenal and Kettleman City which would be accessible and timely.

Kings County Behavioral Health, in collaboration with Kings County Human Services Agency, Kings County Public Health and the County Administration, has begun the process to build a 5,000 sq./ft. One-Stop building on County-owned property in the City of Avenal. In the current MHSA 3 Year Plan (2017-2020), approved by the stakeholders and your Board on January 23, 2018, these funds have already been identified and allocated for the creation of a County One-Stop Service Center in Avenal.

As plans for the funds were already part of an existing plan, the DHCS requirement for BH is to demonstrate an existing plan for the funds in question (which it has through its 2017-2020 MHSA Three Year Plan's CFTN component), conduct a 30-Day Public Comment period and, then, have the plan approved by the Board of Supervisors. Once the plan is approved by your Board, the final approved plan will be submitted to DHCS.

In accordance with DHCS instructions, BH initiated a 30-Day Public Comment period, which began on March 12, 2018 and concluded on April 11, 2018. The BH Advisory Board held a public hearing on April 9, 2018 to receive further public comment and no comments were received.

The extension will ensure that the \$693,398 of CFTN funds that are subject to reversion remain with the County until June 30, 2020, allowing for the completion of the County One-Stop Service Center in Avenal.

A copy of the MHSA Plan is on file with the Clerk to the Board and can also be reviewed on the Behavioral Health Website: <http://www.kcbh.org/uploads/2/6/2/9/26293851/kingsmhsa3yrplan2017-2020final.pdf>.

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I certify (or declare) under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true  
and correct.

Dated at Kings County, California

This Day 20th of MARCH, 2018.  
Signature MARIL BAKER

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**Public Notice**

To all interested stakeholders, Kings County Behavioral Health (KCBH), in accordance with the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) and the Department of Healthcare Services (DHCS), is publishing this Notice of 30-Day Public Comment Period and Notice of Public Hearing regarding the Mental Health Services Act Plan for Capital Facilities and Technology Needs Expenditure Plan Extension.

THE PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT PERIOD begins Tuesday, March 13, 2018 and ends at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday April 12, 2018. Interested persons may provide written comments during this public comment period. Written comments and/or questions should be addressed to KCBH, Attn: Ahmad Bahrami, MHSA Coordinator, 460 Kings County, Suite 101, Hanford, CA 93230 or emailed to [ahmadreza.bahrami@co.kings.ca.us](mailto:ahmadreza.bahrami@co.kings.ca.us).

A PUBLIC HEARING will be held by the Kings County Behavioral Health Advisory Board on Monday, March 26, 2018 at 12:00 noon, in the Hope Room located at 460 Kings County Drive, Suite 101, Hanford, CA, for the purpose of receiving further public comment on the MHSA Capital Facilities and Technology Needs Expenditure Extension Plan.

To review the MHSA Capital Facilities and Technology Needs Expenditure Extension Plan, visit the KCBH website at <http://www.kcbh.org/public-notices>. Printed copies of the MHSA Capital Facilities and Technology Needs Expenditure Extension Plan are available to read at the circulation desk of County Branch Libraries and in the public waiting area of KCBH at 460 Kings County Drive, Suite 101, Hanford. To obtain copies by mail, or to request an accommodation or translation of the document into other languages or formats, call the MHSA Coordinator at (559) 852-2437 by Friday, March 23, 2018.

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