

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES - DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH

F A C T S H E E T

**APPROVAL OF 40 NEW BASIC LIVING SUPPORT SERVICES AGREEMENTS
FOR FISCAL YEARS 2006-2007, 2007-2008, AND 2008-2009
AND
AMENDMENT TO EXISTING BASIC SUPPORT SERVICES
AGREEMENT WITH PARENTS OF WATTS WORKING
WITH YOUTH AND ADULTS FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION
FOR FISCAL YEAR 2006-2007
(ALL SUPERVISORAL DISTRICTS)**

REQUEST

1. Approve and instruct the Director of Mental Health or his designee to prepare, sign, and execute 40 new Basic Living Support Services Agreements, in accordance with the Attachment, for the provision of temporary shelter and basic living support services to homeless adults with mental illness and their families.

The term of each Agreement will be effective July 1, 2006, or upon the date of execution, whichever is later, through June 30, 2007, with a provision for two (2) automatic one-year renewal periods. The contracts will be financed using \$825,000 in Sales Tax Realignment funds and \$112,000 in Intrafund Transfer from the Department of Health Services-Alcohol and Drug Program Administration (DHS-ADPA) which are included in the Department of Mental Health's (DMH) Fiscal Year (FY) 2006-2007 Proposed Budget.

2. Delegate authority to the Director of Mental Health or his designee to prepare, sign, and execute future agreements to the Specialized Shelter Bed Program with eligible, qualified agencies, provided that: 1) the additional services meet an identified need; and 2) no additional funds are required. These future additional agreements will be effective upon the date of execution.
3. Approve and instruct the Director of Mental Health or his designee to prepare, sign, and execute an Amendment to the existing Basic Living Support Services Agreement with Parents of Watts Working with Youth & Adults to allow a three-month contract extension, effective July 1, 2006, to ensure that temporary shelter services to clients presently living in the facility are not disrupted. Parents of Watts Working with Youth & Adults has submitted a response to the Request for Information (RFI) that is being evaluated for consideration for a future Agreement.

4. Delegate authority to the Director of Mental Health or his designee to prepare, sign, and execute future amendments to the Basic Living Support Services Agreements.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION

Current Basic Living Support Services Agreements expire on June 30, 2006. Approval of the recommended actions ensures continuation of temporary shelter beds and basic living support services for homeless adults with mental illness and their families and will allow DMH to expand shelter bed services countywide.

Los Angeles County has identified an influx of homeless adults with mental illness and their families in need of temporary emergency shelter. The Basic Living Support Services Agreements allow qualified Specialized Shelter Bed Program providers to provide food, clothing, temporary emergency shelter, and other support services to mentally ill homeless adults and their families. These services are provided on a 24-hour basis, seven days per week, in a contractor's residential facility for up to 30 days, and not to exceed a maximum stay of 180 continuous days. The County reimburses providers at the current board and care rates established by the California Department of Social Services. The Agreements do not contain a maximum contract dollar amount.

The 40 agencies listed in Attachment I met the minimum qualifications and successfully responded to the Specialized Shelter Bed Program Request for Information (RFI).

To meet additional temporary shelter beds as needed, Board approval is requested to delegate authority to the Director of Mental Health or his designee to enter into future new agreements with additional qualified Specialized Shelter Bed Program providers when an additional need is identified.

Board approval is also required to extend for three months the term of an existing Basic Living Support Services Agreement with Parents of Watts Working with Youth & Adults, a contractor whose RFI Questionnaire is currently being evaluated, so that temporary shelter services may continue to be rendered to clients with minimal disruption.

This Board letter does not comply with the Board's policy requiring timely submission of contracts to the Board for approval. Late submission is the result of other critical department priorities within DMH.

BACKGROUND

Los Angeles County and the community-at-large have long identified an influx of homeless adults with mental illness and their families in need of temporary emergency shelter. Many of these individuals have a substantial history of being chronically mentally ill and substance abusers with no other means of temporary emergency housing. Without accessible shelters as a refuge, many of these individuals end up in emergency rooms, hospitals, and jails.

On November 23, 2001, DMH issued a RFI for the provision of temporary shelters for homeless adults with mental illness and their families. Nine (9) contractors initially responded, and DMH recommended contracts with those providers. DMH entered into contracts with additional qualified providers and, at present, has contracts with 15 qualified providers. Amendments to these contracts synchronized the expiration dates, which is June 30, 2006, and provided time for DMH to issue a RFI to recruit additional qualified providers.

On January 17, 2006, DMH issued a RFI to establish a pool of providers qualified to provide temporary shelter for homeless adults with mental illness and their families. As a result of that process, DMH identified 40 qualified agencies and is recommending contracts with each of them. Of the 40 prospective contractors, 29 are new agencies and 11 are existing contractors.

The effective date of these new contracts will be July 1, 2006, or upon the date of execution, whichever is later, and contingent upon the submission of all requisite contract documents and meeting all contracting requirements.

Additionally, DMH staff are evaluating the RFI Questionnaire of an existing contractor, Parents of Watts Working with Youth & Adults. DMH is requesting the Board's approval of an Amendment to their existing Agreement for a three-month contract extension to allow temporary shelter services to be provided with minimal disruption to clients currently residing in that shelter facility, pending the outcome of the RFI evaluation.

The County will not guarantee a contractor a specific or minimum number of referrals or funding amount, as referrals will be based on current client needs and the geographic desirability of the location. The Basic Living Support Services Agreement will allow each contractor to provide food, clothing, temporary emergency shelter, and other support services to homeless adults with mental illness and their families. These services are provided on a 24-hour basis, seven days per week, in a contractor's residential facility for up to 30 days, and not to exceed a maximum stay of 180

continuous days.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

DMH utilized the RFI process to recruit qualified providers. On January 17, 2006, DMH issued a RFI by mass mailing to over 700 agencies and service providers and by website postings to identify eligible and qualified shelters/residential facilities that were interested in providing temporary shelter beds to homeless adults with mental illness and their families who reside throughout Los Angeles County. A total of 44 discrete agencies responded to the RFI. DMH is recommending contracting with 40 agencies identified in the Attachment and extending an existing contract for three (3) months.

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Attachment

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Contracts Development and Administration Division**

**BASIC LIVING SUPPORT SERVICES CONTRACTORS
FISCAL YEARS 2006-2007, 2007-2008, AND 2008-2009**

Item No.	Contractor	Sup. District (HQ)	Site Address	Sup. Dist. (Site)
1.	1736 Family Crisis Center 2116 Arlington Avenue, Ste. 2001 Los Angeles, CA 90018	2	Unpublished-kept confidential Long Beach, CA Torrance, CA Los Angeles, CA (USC Area)	2, 4
2.	Akila Concepts, Inc. 542 E. Carson Street Carson, CA 90745	2	542 E. Carson Street Carson, CA 90745	2
3.	American Philanthropy Assn. 2930 W. Imperial Hwy, Ste. 336 Inglewood, CA 90303	2	8770 S. Broadway Los Angeles, CA 90003	2
4.	Another Chance Ministry, Inc. 439 W. Compton Boulevard Compton, CA 90220	2	1015 Compton Boulevard Compton, CA 90221	2
5.	Astoria Terrace 14060 Astoria Street Sylmar, CA 91342	3	14060 Astoria Street Sylmar, CA 91342	3
6.	Atlantic Recovery Services 944 Pacific Avenue Long Beach, CA 90813	4	1) 644 W. 5 th Street Long Beach, CA 90802 2) 1565 Linden Avenue Long Beach, CA 90804	4
7.	AV Domestic Violence Council P.O. Box 2980 Lancaster, CA 93539	5	Unpublished-kept confidential Lancaster, CA 93539	5
8.	Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church 7900 S. Western Avenue Los Angeles, CA 90047	2	4801 2 nd Avenue Los Angeles, CA 90043	2
9.	California Care Center dba The Manor 1905 Pico Boulevard Santa Monica, CA 90405	3	1905 Pico Boulevard Santa Monica, CA 90405	3
10.	Canon Human Services Centers, Inc. 9705 Holmes Avenue Los Angeles, CA 90002	2	1015 Compton Boulevard Compton, CA 90221	2
11.	Casa De Rosas 2600 S. Hoover Street Los Angeles, CA 90007	1	2600 S. Hoover Street Los Angeles, CA 90007	1

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12.	Catholic Charities of Los Angeles, Inc. 1531 James M. Wood Avenue Los Angeles, CA 90015	1	44611 Yucca Avenue Lancaster, CA 93534	5
13.	Clare Foundation, Inc. 1871 Ninth Street Santa Monica, CA 90404	3	907 Pico Boulevard Santa Monica, CA 90404	3
14.	Covenant House of California 1325 N. Western Avenue Hollywood, CA 90027	2	1325 N. Western Avenue Hollywood, CA 90027	2
15.	Creative Neighbors Always Sharing 8224 S. Broadway Los Angeles, CA 90003	2	1) 8224 S. Broadway Los Angeles, CA 90003 2) 3847-3849 S. Western Avenue Los Angeles, CA 90059	2
16.	Downtown Women's Center 325 S. Los Angeles Street Los Angeles, CA 90013	1	333 S. Los Angeles Street Los Angeles, CA 90013	1
17.	Eimago c/o Union Rescue Mission 545 S. San Pedro Street Los Angeles, CA 90013	1	545 S. San Pedro Street Los Angeles, CA 90013	1
18.	Filipino American Services 135 N. Park View Street Los Angeles, CA 90026	1	135 N. Park View Street Los Angeles, CA 90026	1
19.	Grandview Foundation 1230 N. Marengo Avenue Pasadena, CA 91105	5	1) 1510 N. Marengo Avenue Pasadena, CA 91104 2) 1230 N. Marengo Avenue Pasadena, CA 91105	5
20.	Harbour Area Halfway Houses, Inc. 940 Dawson Avenue Long Beach, CA 90804	4	940 Dawson Avenue Long Beach, CA 90804	4
21.	Health View, Inc. dba Harbour View House 921 S. Beacon Street San Pedro, CA 90731	4	921 S. Beacon Street San Pedro, CA 90731	4
22.	Higher Goals 10510 S. Vermont Avenue Los Angeles, CA 90044	2	10510 S. Vermont Avenue Los Angeles, CA 90044	2

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23.	Jewish Family Services 6505 Wilshire Boulevard, Ste. 500 Los Angeles, CA 90048	2	827 S. Gramercy Place Los Angeles, CA 90014	2
24.	LA Family Housing 7843 Lankershim Boulevard North Hollywood, CA 91605	3	7843 Lankershim Boulevard North Hollywood, CA 91605 (Adult) 7817 Lankershim Boulevard North Hollywood, CA 91605 (Family)	3
25.	LAMP Community 527 S. Crocker Street Los Angeles, CA 90013	1	527 S. Crocker Street Los Angeles, CA 90013 627 S. San Julian Street Los Angeles, CA 90014	1
26.	Midnight Mission 601 S. San Pedro Street Los Angeles, CA 90014	1	601 S. San Pedro Street Los Angeles, CA 90014	1
27.	Mid-Valley Recovery Services P.O. Box 5453 El Monte, CA 91732	1	1) 3416 Cogswell Road 2) 3436 Cogswell Road El Monte CA 91732	1
28.	New Directions 11303 Wilshire Boulevard VA Building 116 Los Angeles, CA 90073	2	1) 12536 Mitchell Avenue 2) 11301 Wilshire Boulevard VA Building 257 3) 11303 Wilshire Boulevard VA Building 116 Los Angeles, CA 90066	2
29.	Ocean Park Community Center 1453 16th Street Santa Monica, CA 90404	2	1) 1447 16 th Street Santa Monica, CA 90404 2) 505 Olympic Boulevard Santa Monica, CA 90401	2
30.	PATH Regional Homeless Center 340 N. Madison Avenue Los Angeles, CA 90004	3	1) 340 N. Madison Avenue Los Angeles, CA 90004 2) 5627 Fernwood Avenue Hollywood, CA 90028	2, 3
31.	People in Progress 672 S. La Fayette Park Place, Suite 16 Los Angeles, CA 90057	2	672 S. La Fayette Park Place, Suite 16 Los Angeles, CA 90057	2
32.	The Salvation Army 900 W. James M. Wood Boulevard Los Angeles, CA 90015	1	1) 832 W. James M. Wood Blvd. Los Angeles, CA 90015 2) 5600 Rickenbacker Road Bell, CA 90201	1

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33.	Skid Row Development Corp. 434 S. San Pedro Street, #601 Los Angeles, CA 90013	1	543 S. Crocker Street Los Angeles, CA 90013	1
34.	SRO Housing Corporation 354 S. Spring Street Los Angeles, CA 90013	1	1) 517 S. San Julian Street Los Angeles, CA 90013 2) 403 E. 5 th Street Los Angeles, CA 90013	1
35.	Substance Abuse Foundation 1041 Redondo Avenue Long Beach, CA 90804	4	1) 1085 Obispo Avenue Long Beach, CA 90804 2) 3116 7 th Street Long Beach, CA 90804	4
36.	Tarzana Treatment Center, Inc. 18646 Oxnard Street Tarzana, CA 91356	5	18317 Arminta Street Reseda, CA 91335	3
37.	Union Station Foundation 825 E. Orange Grove Boulevard Pasadena, CA 91104	2	412 S. Raymond Pasadena, CA 91105 825 E. Orange Grove Boulevard Pasadena, CA 91104	2
38.	United Women in Transition 5001 S. Budlong Avenue Los Angeles, CA 90037	2	5001 S. Budlong Avenue Los Angeles, CA 90037	5
39.	Volunteers of America 3600 Wilshire Blvd., Ste. 1500 Los Angeles, CA 90010	1	543 S. Crocker Street Los Angeles, CA 90013	1
40.	Weingart Center Association 566 S. San Pedro Street Los Angeles, CA 90013	1	566 S. San Pedro Street Los Angeles, CA 90013	1