

**BOARD LETTER – SUMMARY SHEET
HEALTH AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES CLUSTER**

AGENDA REVIEW	03/16/16
BOARD MEETING	03/29/16
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT	All
DEPARTMENT	Department of Mental Health (DMH)
SUBJECT	APPROVAL TO EXECUTE AGREEMENTS WITH TWO VENDORS FOR FACILITY USAGE AND CATERING SERVICES FOR THE FIFTEENTH ANNUAL MENTAL HEALTH AND SPIRITUALITY CONFERENCE: "LOOKING OVER THE HORIZON"
PROGRAM	Office of the Director – Community and Government Relations
DEADLINES	May 26, 2016
COST & FUNDING	<p>The maximum total estimated cost of the two agreements with LACC and Levy is \$48,000 and is fully funded by State MHSA revenue included in the FY 2015-16 DMH Final Adopted Budget. The final confirmed cost may be less than the estimated \$48,000 as it will be determined by a number of factors, including: (1) the actual number of participants, which may be less than the estimated 550 people allowed; (2) revenue offsets from registration costs paid by participants without scholarships; and (3) a potential \$4,000 credit from LACC based on the amount of catering services used.</p> <p>Funding for future years, at an estimated cost of \$50,000 per year, will be requested through DMH's annual budget process.</p> <p>There is no net County cost associated with these recommended actions.</p>
PURPOSE OF REQUEST	Board approval of the recommended actions will allow DMH to host the Fifteenth Annual Conference on Mental Health & Spirituality: "Looking Over The Horizon", which is to be held on May 26, 2016, at the LACC.
SUMMARY/ ISSUES (Briefly summarize program and potential issues or concerns. Identify changes, if any, to level of funding or staffing; how funding will be utilized and why best use; prior accomplishments; and for BLs involving contracts, also note changes to the contract term.)	<p>The Mental Health and Spirituality Conference began in 2002 when DMH held an annual one-day educational event to increase awareness among faith leaders about mental illness, its impact on families, and the supporting role faith communities can play in helping with recovery. Since then, DMH continues to host this conference with the intent to continue collaboration with local faith leaders in underserved and unserved communities. The conference has served to reduce barriers for people seeking mental health care.</p> <p>In FY 2014-15, the conference hosted an estimated 445 attendees which included members of the clergy, consumers, and family members. The conference is open to persons of all faiths and racial and ethnic backgrounds. Due to the popularity of this conference, the number of attendees for Fiscal Year 2015-16 is an estimated 550 participants. Scholarships will be provided for up to 100 clergy, consumers and/or family members.</p>
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