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**NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
Board Agenda Memo**

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**MEETING DATE:** January 25, 2022

**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** **Phebe Bell**

**SUBJECT:** Resolution approving execution of Amendment 1 to the Nevada County Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Annual Plan Update for FY 21/22 to increase the annual estimated plan budget to \$7,985,661 and expand proposed programming to provide mental health services and supports. (RES 21-183)

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**RECOMMENDATION:** Approve the attached Resolution.

**FUNDING:** The estimated program expenditures for implementing the FY 21/22 Annual Plan Update are \$7,985,661. MHSA funds may only be used to establish or expand services for approved plan components and may not be used to supplant funding for programs existing prior to the enactment of MHSA. The Proposed Plan does not require any county match or county general fund dollars and is planned for within the Department's existing budget.

**BACKGROUND:** The Mental Health Services Act (Proposition 63) adopted by the California electorate on November 2, 2004, increased overall State funding for the community mental health system by imposing a 1% income tax on California residents with more than \$1 million per year in income. The stated intention of the proposition was to "transform" local mental health service delivery systems from a "fail first" model to one promoting intervention, treatment and recovery from mental illness. A key strategy in the act was the prioritization of prevention and early intervention services to reduce the long-term adverse impacts of untreated, serious mental illness on individuals, families and state and local budgets. On June 8, 2021, the Board approved the Nevada County Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) FY 21/22 Annual Plan Update to the FY 2020/21 through FY 2022/23 Three-Year Program and Expenditure Plan per Resolution RES 21-183.

Due to higher than anticipated MHSA revenues in Fiscal Year 2020/21, Nevada County is proposing an amendment to its FY 21/22 Annual Plan Update. Due to the volatility of MHSA funding, priorities were one-time investments that aligned with community needs and the existing Three-Year Plan activities. Major changes included in this amendment include:

- One-time and strategic increases for currently funded PEI and CSS Providers to cover one-time capital costs and certain programmatic increases
- New PEI Programs: LGBTQ+ support in high schools and Community Crisis Response
- Set-aside for Project Based Housing: lease and/or purchase of permanent supportive housing for individuals with serious mental illness

Amendment #1 to the Nevada County Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) FY 21/22 Annual Plan Update was shared with numerous stakeholders and community members including the MHSA Steering Committee, Mental Health Board, and our e-mail subscribers, consisting of over 150 interested individuals ranging from family members, consumers/program participants, and community based organizations to staff from various county departments. A community meeting was held explaining the proposed amendment on November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021. A Notice of Public Comment Period was posted from December 6, 2021 through January 6, 2022, and the proposed Amendment has been available on the County website for review and comments. The final public hearing was held at our local Mental Health and Substance Use Advisory Board meeting on January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

It is recommended that the Board approve this Amendment as it allows for expanded mental health services and supports for Nevada County residents.

**Item Initiated and Approved by:** Phebe Bell, MSW, Director of Behavioral Health