

## SAN FRANCISCO MENTAL HEALTH BOARD

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## MEETING OF THE MENTAL HEALTH BOARD

### AGENDA

Wednesday September 21, 2016  
City Hall  
One Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
2nd Floor, Room 278  
6:30 PM – 8:30 PM

### Call to Order

### Roll Call

### Agenda Changes

### Item 1.0 Report from Behavioral Health Services Director

For discussion.

1.1 Discussion regarding Behavioral Health Services Department Report, a report on the activities and operations of Behavioral Health Services, including budget, planning, policy, and programs and services.

1.2 Public Comment

## **Item 2.0 Mental Health Service Act Updates and Public Hearings**

For discussion.

The passage of Proposition 63 (now known as the [Mental Health Services Act](#) or MHSA) in November 2004, provides increased annual funding to support county mental health programs. The Act addresses a broad continuum of prevention, early intervention and service needs and the necessary infrastructure, technology and training elements that will effectively support this system. This Act imposes a 1% income tax on personal income in excess of \$1 million. One of the requirements of the Act is that the county must provide annual updates as well as hearings for changes in the way the county implements the funding.

2.1 Mental Health Services Act Updates

2.2 Public Comment

## **Item 3.0 Action Items**

For discussion and action.

3.1 Public comment

3.2 Proposed Resolution: Be it resolved that the minutes for the Mental Health Board meeting of July 20, 2016 be approved as submitted.

3.3 Proposed Resolution: (MHB -- 2016-5): Be it resolved that the Mental Health Board commends the Street Violence Intervention Program for its exceptional work with youth.

3.4 Proposed Resolution: (MHB -- 2016-6) Be It Resolved the Mental Health Board advocates funding for five Wellness Mobile vehicles with sufficient staffing for FY 2017-2018, to provide underserved neighborhoods with safe walk-in spaces for people in crisis or in need of walk-in behavioral health services.

## **Item 4.0 Presentation: : Challenges for People Who Are Homeless in Accessing Behavioral Health Services, Cassandra Perkins, Tom Waddell Clinic**

4.1 Presentation: Challenges for People Who Are Homeless in Accessing Behavioral Health Services, Cassandra Perkins, Tom Waddell Clinic

4.2 Public Comment

## **Item 5.0 Reports**

For discussion

5.1 Report from the Executive Director of the Mental Health Board.

Discussion regarding upcoming events, conferences, or activities that may be of interest to board members; Mental Health Board budget issues and update on staff work on board projects.

5.2 Report from Chair of the Board and the Executive Committee.

Discussion regarding Chair's meetings with Behavioral Health Services staff, meetings with members of the Board of Supervisors and community meetings about mental health or substance abuse.

5.3 People or Issues Highlighted by MHB: Suggestions of people and/or programs that the board believes should be acknowledged or highlighted by the Mental Health Board.

5.4 Report by members of the Board on their activities on behalf of the Board.

5.5 New business - Suggestions for future agenda items to be referred to the Executive Committee.

5.6 Public comment.

## **6.0 Public Comment**

## **Adjournment**

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## **PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

### **RESOLUTION (MHB-2016-05): THAT THE MENTAL HEALTH BOARD COMMENDS THE STREET VIOLENCE INTERVENTION PROGRAM FOR ITS EXCEPTIONAL WORK WITH YOUTH.**

**WHEREAS**, the exceptional staff, led by Program Director, Arturo Carrillo, of the Street Violence Intervention Program are dedicated to reducing and intervening in youth related violence for the City and County of San Francisco, and;

**WHEREAS**, they serve four neighborhoods, Bayview/Hunters Point/Protrero, Mission/Excelsior, Visitacion Valley/Lakeview/Alemany and Western Addition/Tenderloin/South of Market, and;

**WHEREAS**, they serve San Francisco children, adolescents, transitional age youth and youth adults, ages 10 – 30, with a mission to reduce negative behaviors that can lead to street violence, and;

**WHEREAS**, the Street Violence Intervention Program provides intense mentoring for 170 youth but makes over a 1,000 interventions in the streets, and;

**WHEREAS**, the Street Violence Intervention Program believes that services must include, respect, integrity, compassion, humility and recognize and be sensitive to cultural diversity; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Street Violence Intervention Program believes that everyone deserves the opportunity to thrive and grow within the San Francisco community; and,

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mental Health Board of San Francisco believes that Street Violence Intervention Program is meeting its mission to reduce street violence in the City and County of San Francisco

## PROPOSED RESOLUTION

**RESOLUTION (MHB 2016-06):** Be It Resolved the Mental Health Board advocates funding for five Wellness Mobile vehicles with sufficient staffing for FY 2017-2018, to provide underserved neighborhoods with safe walk-in spaces for people in crisis or in need of walk-in behavioral health services.

Whereas, it is the vision of the Department of Public Health to promote and to protect the health and well-being of all San Franciscans, and;

Whereas, the Department has been striving for development of more comprehensive, innovative, culturally responsive services to individuals and families with behavioral health challenges, and;

Whereas, according to interviews with mental health professionals at Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital (SFGH), Psychiatric Emergency Services (PES), a significant percentage of patients who self-admit are only seeking a temporary quiet and safe space to de-escalate and just talk to someone, and;

Whereas, the current demand for psychiatric crisis services at SFGH PES often results in the hospital reaching capacity and thus diverting patients to other hospitals, and;

Whereas, hospitalizing someone who really just needs a few hours away from the street to calm down is expensive and takes acute psychiatric beds from others in greater need, and;

Whereas, Wellness Mobile vehicles with appropriate and adequate staffing can deliver crisis de-escalation, mental health services and substance abuse referrals to neighborhoods which would otherwise be unable to access such services, and;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mental Health Board of San Francisco urges the Department of Public Health to allocate funds for five Wellness Mobile vehicles with appropriate and adequate staffing in FY 2017 -2018.