

**County of San Luis Obispo  
Behavioral Health Department  
Mental Health Services Act**

MHSA (MAC) Advisory Meeting:

This document is proof of stakeholder involvement in decision making priorities and practices for the County of San Luis Obispo Mental Health Services Act MHSA programs.

The MHSA Advisory Committee asserts that they have fully understood and made a decision regarding the changes for the following program/service:

<b>TMHA – Suicide Prevention Coordinator</b>	
<b>Current Program/Service</b>	<b>New Changes/Updates to Program/Services</b> Suicide Prevention Coordinator Position
<b>Current Total Amount:</b> \$0	<b>New Total Amount:</b> \$ \$33,000 for FY 22-23 (6 months) \$66,000 for FY 23-24 ongoing
<b>Justification:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The START grant is currently funded by SAMHSA grant funding, but ends in December 2022. The funding has been used to hire a full time Program Coordinator to support the Central Coast Hotline. With this fulltime position filled, CCH has been able to significantly increase the number of outreach events, offer more educational workshops on suicide prevention to the community and partner agencies, train an additional QPR instructor, offer an ongoing weekly support group for individuals who have survived a suicide attempt, and launch texting services on the CCH.</li> <li>• Additional funding will be needed to continue this work and to launch robust marketing regarding text support in our youth communities.</li> <li>• We do not have other funding to continue this position and would discontinue the support groups for survivors of suicide attempts (an element of the SLO County Suicide Prevention Plan), our monthly offerings of QPR and outreach would decrease, and there would be less support for marketing and outreach for texting as well as general suicide prevention work in the community.</li> <li>• With MHSA funding we would continue to employ the full time Program Coordinator for the Central Coast Hotline. This staff would continue their work and the START outcomes would move to our MHSA contract.</li> </ul> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Offering ongoing support groups for survivors of suicide attempts,</li> <li>• Completing a minimum of one outreach or educational class each month, supporting the training, implementation, and oversight of the texting component of CCH</li> <li>• Instrumental staff person scheduling student and community presentations to market suicide preventions supports and services and specifically the availability of text support via CCH</li> </ul>	

On Wednesday, January 25th, 2023: **Add additional funding support to add a Suicide Prevention Coordinator – TMHA MHSA Funding.**

SLOBHD Staff recommends approval by the MAC Stakeholder Group as specified above.

SLOBHD Staff does not recommend approval by the MAC Stakeholder Group as specified above.

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