

**Santa Clara County Mental Health Department – Mental Health Services Act (MHSA)
FY09-10 Annual Update to Community Services and Supports Plan (CSS)**

HOUSING OPTIONS INITIATIVE

CSS Work Plan HO-01	Ongoing MHSA Funds: \$2,448,332	One-Time MHSA Funds: \$656,050				
WORK PLAN DESCRIPTION & PROGRESS	POPULATION TO BE SERVED					
<p>Initially, this work plan was supported with one-time funds and focused primarily on developing permanent affordable housing and improving MHD's capacity for addressing consumers' housing needs. However, in FY09-10 this work plan was expanded to help MHD and the County directly address the housing needs of consumers through housing development, services and interagency collaboration.</p> <p>The Office of Housing and Homeless Support Services (OHHSS) was created to oversee MHD's housing development, programs and services for consumers who are homeless or at-risk of homelessness. In addition, using County General Funds, the OHHSS supports the County's effort to address homelessness throughout the County. The goals and strategies of this work plan intersect and are coordinated with those of agencies addressing homelessness throughout Santa Clara County, including Destination Home and the County Collaborative on Housing and Homelessness.</p>	<p>This work plan addresses the housing needs of unserved and underserved consumers of all age groups and their families, particularly those who are homeless or are at-risk of homelessness, have co-occurring disorders, suffer from abuse or are involved in the criminal justice system.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="905 545 1974 927"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="905 545 1478 581">Focal Populations:</th> <th data-bbox="1478 545 1974 581">Estimated Number of Clients Served:</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="905 581 1478 927"> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ SMI Homeless and At-Risk of Homelessness </td> <td data-bbox="1478 581 1974 927"> <p>Total Unduplicated: 617</p> </td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		Focal Populations:	Estimated Number of Clients Served:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ SMI Homeless and At-Risk of Homelessness 	<p>Total Unduplicated: 617</p>
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CRITICAL CONCERNS	STRATEGIES / GOALS					
<p>(Listed as part of all "cross-cutting" initiatives and may have to be revised based on new work plans)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Inadequate housing ○ Benefits, employment and education ○ Health care needs ○ Family help and ethnic and cultural engagement 	<p>(Listed as part of all "cross-cutting" initiatives and may have to be revised based on new work plans)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Community & family outreach ○ Behavioral health and primary care partnership ○ Education, employment, self-sufficiency ○ Survivors of torture needs assessment ○ Housing options 					

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KEY INITIATIVES, PROGRAMS & ACTIVITIES

- **Housing Development.** The OHHSS oversees the development of permanent affordable housing for consumers and their families who are homeless or at-risk of homelessness. Initially, these developments were made possible by the Housing Plus Fund (HPF). This fund of \$4 million (\$2 million MHSA and \$2 million matching County funds) was established as part of the County's original CSS plan and resulted in the development of 42 units of permanent affordable housing. In FY09-10 the HPF was redirected to support direct services to homeless consumers because the County was able to access the MHSA Housing Program. The MHSA Housing Program is a discrete program that is administered by the California Housing Finance Agency (CalHFA). The County's full allocation for this program is \$19.2 million. To date, 55 units of permanent affordable housing are under development or are pending approval. Only about half of the County's allocation has been encumbered.
- **Programs and Services for Consumers who are Homeless or At-Risk of Homelessness.** In addition to overseeing housing development, the OHHSS oversees various programs that either provide direct services to consumers or connect consumers to services through outreach and engagement. Key programs supported by CSS funds include:
 - CBO-operated **FSP Program** for up to 40 homeless consumers.
 - **Housing First Program** for up to 100 chronically homeless consumers. This program is currently under developed and will leverage approximately \$1.2 million in rental subsidies from the City of San Jose.
 - **Housing for the Homeless Addicted to Alcohol (HHAA)** is a program that provides permanent housing, treatment and services for 42 dual diagnosed consumers.