

## **Butte County Mental Health Services Act**

### **Request to Dedicate Funds to Butte County's Prudent Reserve**

Pursuant to Welfare and Institutions Code Section 5847(a)(7), each County receiving Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) funding must establish and maintain a prudent reserve for the Community Services and Supports (CSS) component of the MHSA. Butte County currently has 4 programs in operation. The prudent reserve is necessary so that the county can continue to serve children, adults and families during years in which revenues for the Mental Health Services Fund are insufficient. Counties are required to fund a local prudent reserve with a level equal to 50% of the most recent annual approved CSS funding level by July 1, 2010. Butte County's most recent approved CSS funding for Fiscal Year 2008-09 is \$2,942,600; thus, we need to establish a prudent reserve in the amount of \$1,471,300 by July 1, 2010. If there is an increase in Butte County's CSS funding prior to July 1, 2010, the amount needed in our prudent reserve will increase.

Each county must submit a form entitled "Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Request to Dedicate Funds to the Community Services and Supports (CSS) Local Prudent Reserve" to the Department of Mental Health (DMH) in order to request funds for the prudent reserve. This form also serves to update the existing Three-Year Program and Expenditure Plan and to modify the county's existing MHSA Agreement.

Butte County has \$729,226 in Approved Unspent C&SS funding and \$575,439 of Unapproved Funds from Fiscal Year 2005-06 and \$166,635 of Unapproved Funds from Fiscal Year 2006 – 2007 for a total of \$1,471,300. This funding must be spent by June 30, 2008 or it will revert back to DMH for redistribution. Butte County would like to request that these funds be approved by DMH and deposited into our local prudent reserve. This will prevent these funds from reverting back to DMH and will fund our prudent reserve at the level currently required.

In accordance with the California Code of Regulations, this Request is being posted for a 30-day public comment period prior to submission to DMH. The posting period will be from March 21, 2008 to April 21, 2008. Copies of the Request may be downloaded from this site in Adobe PDF® format or may be requested on CD-ROM or in hardcopy format by calling the Wellness & Recovery Office at (530) 891-2730 or by emailing [tott@buttecounty.net](mailto:tott@buttecounty.net), or writing to:

Wellness & Recovery Office  
500 Cohasset Road # 27  
Chico, CA 95926

Comments should be sent to the address above or emailed to [tott@buttecounty.net](mailto:tott@buttecounty.net)

**Mental Health Services Act (MHSA)  
Request to Dedicate Funds to the  
Community Services and Supports (CSS)  
Local Prudent Reserve**

City/County: Butte County

Date: February 14, 2008

<b>Approved CSS Component Amount</b>	
CSS Plan Component Amount	\$2,942,600
Maximum Prudent Reserve (50%)	\$1,471,300
<b>Prudent Reserve</b>	
Prudent Reserve Balance from Prior Approvals	
Amount Requested to Dedicate to Prudent Reserve	
Approved Unspent Funds	\$729,226
Unapproved Funds in Planning Estimate 06/07	\$166,635
Unapproved Funds in Planning Estimate 05/06	\$575,439
Total Request	\$1,471,300
Prudent Reserve Balance	\$1,471,300

I HEREBY request that the above amounts be dedicated to a local Prudent Reserve in accordance with Welfare and Institutions Code Section 5847(a)(7). Funds dedicated to the Prudent Reserve may not be accessed unless approved by the Department of Mental Health through an update to the Three-Year Program and Expenditure Plan. I certify that the County has complied with Title 9, California Code of Regulations Sections 3300 and 3315(b).

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Name and Title \_\_\_\_\_