



December 16, 2025

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# Budget and Fiscal Advisory Committee

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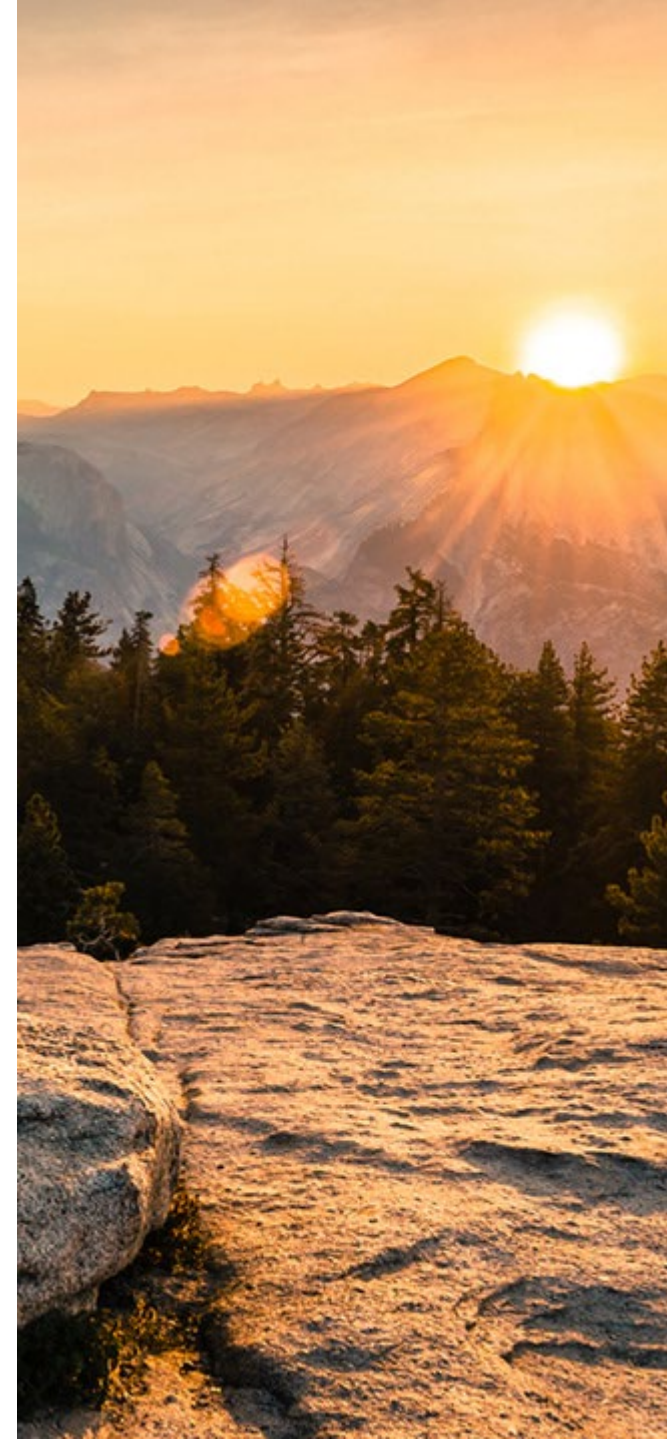




# **Announcements and Updates**

# Announcements

Agreement Number	Vendor	Amount	Scope of Work
Interagency Agreement (IAA) #25-01101	California Military Department	\$50,580	Independent Security Assessment (ISA) required by Government Code Section 11549.3 as amended by AB 670 on October 6, 2015.
CS0105027	S & P Technology Solutions	\$48,677	Acquire and deploy Learning Management Software (Cornerstone) for Commissioners and staff training.
25BHSOAC005	One Mind at Work	\$65,000	Plan, conduct, and report on a statewide convening of leaders from across California to shape a comprehensive program focused on supporting Workforce Mental Health (WMH).
TBD	California School-Based Health Alliance (CSHA)	\$25,000	Fund scholarships for the 2026 CSHA Annual School Health & Behavioral Health Conference.
TBD	University of California, San Francisco	\$175,000	Interagency Agreement for Full Service Partnership Evaluation work.
TBD	Leading Resources Inc.	\$96,250	Facilitate an update to the Commission's strategic plan.



# Grants and Contract Expenditure List

The updated list, current as of November 25, 2025, can be found in the meeting packet and on the Commission's [website](#).



# General Public Comments



# Meeting Minutes

# Motion

- ✓ The Budget and Fiscal Advisory Committee approves August 21, 2025, meeting minutes.

# Motion

- ✓ The Budget and Fiscal Advisory Committee approves September 18, 2025, meeting minutes.





# Expenditure Authorization

**Lauren Quintero**, *Acting Deputy Director of Administration and Performance Management*  
December 16, 2025

# Request for Expenditure Authorization

The Budget and Fiscal Advisory (BFA) Committee is requested to review and approve the following contract.

## Administration and Performance Management

- \$245,720 to amend Contract 23MHSOAC020 with iBridge, extending it for 12 months to continue hosting and maintaining the Commission's data center infrastructure. This data center is essential to Commission operations, as it supports all Commission data assets, including:
  - State partner data
  - Statistical Analysis Systems (SAS) - analytics environments
  - Tableau servers and dashboards

# Request for Expenditure Authorization

## Background & Procurement Summary

- Competitively bid in 2022
- Selection Criteria: Cost, qualifications, added support
- Performance of iBridge: Reliable, consistent, cost-effective
- Cost History: \$255K–\$307K annually; current request reflects reduced storage costs
- Ongoing Need: Annual recurring cost for essential infrastructure
- Budget Availability: This cost was accounted for in the FY 2025-26 budget that the Commission approved at the August 28, 2025, Commission meeting.

# Request for Expenditure Authorization

## Why This Contract Is Critical

iBridge hosts and maintains the Commission's data center infrastructure, which supports all core data operations, including:

- Storage and analysis of data from grantees and state partners (e.g., BHSSA, Triage, FSP Pilot)
- Hosting of SAS analytics environments and Tableau dashboards
- Compliance with CJIS security standards required by state partners

# Request for Expenditure Authorization

## Risks if Not Approved

- Permanent loss of all state partner data and historical project data
- Transparency Suite Dashboards will go offline
- Disruption to legislatively mandated reports (e.g., FSP, BHSSA)
- Loss of partner trust and future data-sharing agreements
- Significant costs to rebuild infrastructure and regain compliance
- Up to 6 months of downtime for procurement, setup, and certification
- Potential inability to recover deleted data if partners decline to reshare

This contract is foundational - like our building, it cannot lapse without major operational and financial consequences.

# Request for Expenditure Authorization

## Research, Evaluation, and Programs

- Amend Contract 24MHSOAC061 with the Center for Applied Research Solutions (CARS) to add up to \$1,500,000 in funding. This additional funding, allocated from the Behavioral Health Student Services Act (BHSSA) administrative funds, will support the development of culturally responsive, trauma-informed online suicide prevention training modules. These modules will be designed for teachers and staff, parents, and students, and will focus on identifying risk factors, recognizing warning signs, and responding appropriately when a student is in crisis or at risk.
- CARS would work with state and local agencies to support dissemination and identify additional needs for suicide prevention capacity building and training with Commission's partners.

# Request for Expenditure Authorization

## Research, Evaluation, and Programs

### BFA Role

- Authorize the expenditure of available BHSSA administrative funds
- Programmatic details were reviewed and discussed at the Program Advisory Committee (PAC) meeting on December 15, 2025

### Commission Funding Availability

- \$5.1 million in BHSSA administrative funds remain unallocated and must be encumbered by June 30, 2026
- This is an allowable use of BHSSA administrative funds
- The proposal aligns with Commission priorities

# Motion

- ✓ The Budget and Fiscal Advisory (BFA) Committee recommends that the full Commission approve the 23MHSOAC020 - iBridge contract amendment in the amount of \$245,720.



# Motion

- ✓ The Budget and Fiscal Advisory (BFA) Committee recommends that the full Commission approve 24MHSOAC061 Center for Applied Research Solutions (CARS) contract amendment in the amount of \$1,500,000.



# Current Contracts and Grants Tableau Dashboard

**Lauren Quintero**, *Acting Deputy Director of Administration and Performance Management*

December 16, 2025

# Contracts and Grants Tableau Dashboard

## BHSOAC Projects Financial Overview

- A Tableau Dashboard of all current Commission Projects and Initiatives is now available on the Commission website [here](#).
- This is the first iteration. Staff from multiple Commission teams are actively collaborating to expand and enhance the information provided.
- If you have suggestions, questions, or would like a copy of a contract, please email [budget@bhsoac.ca.gov](mailto:budget@bhsoac.ca.gov) or [bhsoac@bhsoac.ca.gov](mailto:bhsoac@bhsoac.ca.gov)

# Thank you.



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# Commission Funding Allocations

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# BFA Committee “Funding 101” Recap

## Presentations

- MHWA presentation at the July 17, 2025, BFA meeting
- BHSSA presented at the August 21, 2025, BFA meeting.
- Community Advocacy, Full Service Partnership and Proposition 1 Implementation – *today's focus.*

# CBH Fiscal Year 2025-26 Funding Allocations

The Commission currently receives funding through the following Mental Health Services Act (transitioning to Behavioral Health Services Act) allocations:

Operation Costs	
Personnel	\$8,556,529
Operations Expenses & Equipment	\$3,832,526
Programs	
Mental Health Wellness Act <sup>1</sup>	\$20,000,000
Behavioral Health Student Services Act <sup>2</sup>	\$7,606,000
Community Advocacy <sup>3</sup>	\$6,700,000
Full Service Partnership <sup>3</sup>	\$400,000
Proposition 1 Implementation <sup>3,4</sup>	\$100,000

<sup>1</sup> Presented to the BFA Committee on July 17, 2025.

<sup>2</sup> Presented to the BFA Committee on August 21, 2025.

<sup>3</sup> Presented to the BFA Committee at today's meeting.

<sup>4</sup> One-time funding of \$100,000 per year for three fiscal years (FY 2024–25 through FY 2026–27).

# Other Funding Allocations

Prior Years' Active Allocations	
Mental Health Wellness Act <sup>1</sup>	\$20,000,000
Older Adults Reappropriation <sup>2</sup>	\$995,301
Behavioral Health Student Services Act Administration <sup>3</sup>	\$25,000,000
Behavioral Health Student Services Act Evaluation <sup>4</sup>	\$16,646,000
Upcoming Allocations	
Innovation Partnership Fund <sup>5</sup>	\$20,000,000

<sup>1</sup> Mental Health Wellness Act Fiscal Year 2024/25 allocation. Funding allocations include \$8.5 million for Substance Use Disorder services, \$6.5 million for early childhood (ages 0–5), and \$5 million is earmarked for peer respite programs.

<sup>2</sup> At its March 26, 2025, meeting, the Commission approved the distribution of reappropriated funds to support additional PEARLS and Age Wise grantees.

<sup>3</sup> Approximately \$5.1 million is available for encumbrance until June 30, 2026. The allocation for these remaining funds is being discussed by the Program Advisory Committee.

<sup>4</sup> Approximately \$9.2 million is available for encumbrance until June 30, 2026. The allocation for these remaining funds is being discussed by the Program Advisory Committee.

<sup>5</sup> Innovation Partnership Funds will be available annually for five years starting on July 1, 2026.





# Overview of Community Advocacy Agreements at the Commission

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December 16, 2025

# Community Advocacy Goals

## Overarching Goal

Ensure Behavioral Health Services Act (BHSA) priority populations have authentic, community-led representation that shapes behavioral health systems through sustainable leadership and ownership.

### Community Advocacy

Support the population to identify their priorities, build strategies, and engage directly with decision makers.

### Training and Education

Build knowledge of behavioral health systems; foster confidence, networks, and abilities to organize; educate peers; and participate in local and state decision-making.

### Outreach and Engagement

Engage and build trust with the widest possible reach of vulnerable individuals; expand participation, foster connection, and reach new voices.

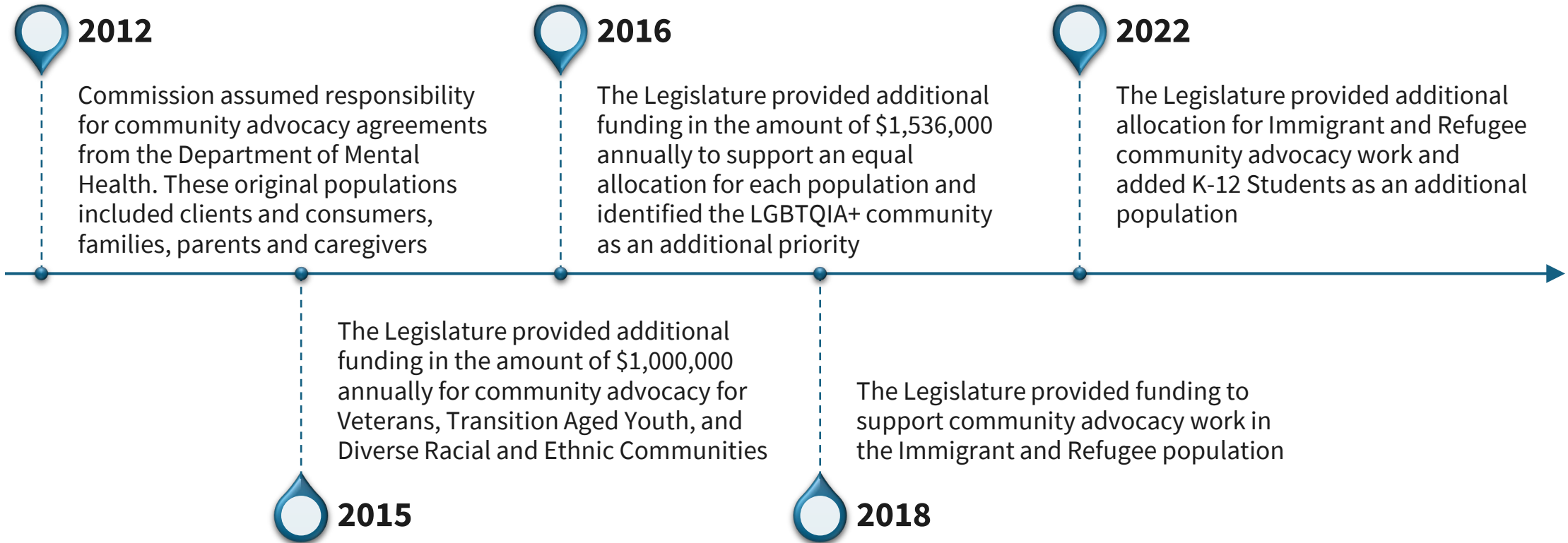
# History of Community Advocacy at CBH

**The Commission's Community Advocacy Agreements originated from the Mental Health Services Act, which prioritized:**

- Transparent and collaborative processes to determine the mental health needs, priorities, and services for consumers and their families
- Promoting community advocate engagement with the goal of informing local and state level policies
- Focus on providing support in advocacy, training and education, and outreach and engagement



# Community Advocacy Populations Timeline



# Current Community Advocacy Agreements

Population	Contractor/Grantee	Contract Terms*
California Youth Empowerment Network	Transition Aged Youth	April 2023-April 30, 2026
Asian Americans for Community Involvement; Boat People SOS; Center for Empowering Refugees and Immigrants; El Sol Neighborhood Education Center; Health Education Council; International Rescue Committee; Refugee Enrichment and Development Association	Immigrant and Refugees (Local)	June 2025-June 30, 2028
California Pan Ethnic Health Network	Immigrant and Refugees (Statewide)	December 2025-November 2028 (Proposed)
Youth Leadership Institute	K-12 Students	June 2025-December 31, 2028
Jakara Movement	K-12 Students (Convenings)	June 2024-May 15, 2026
California Veterans Services Association	Veterans	March 2024-May 31, 2027
Mental Health America California	LGBTQIA+	March 2024-May 31, 2027
National Institute Mental Illness	Families	March 2024-May 31, 2027
United Parents	Parents and Caregivers	March 2024-May 31, 2027
Cal Voices	Consumers	March 2024-May 31, 2027
California Pan Ethnic Health Network	Diverse Racial and Ethnic Groups	March 2024-May 31, 2027

\*Total Award for each three-year term agreement is \$2,010,000, with the exception of Jakara Movement, which is a two-year term agreement for \$970,000.



# Behavioral Health Services Act (BHSA) and the Priority Populations

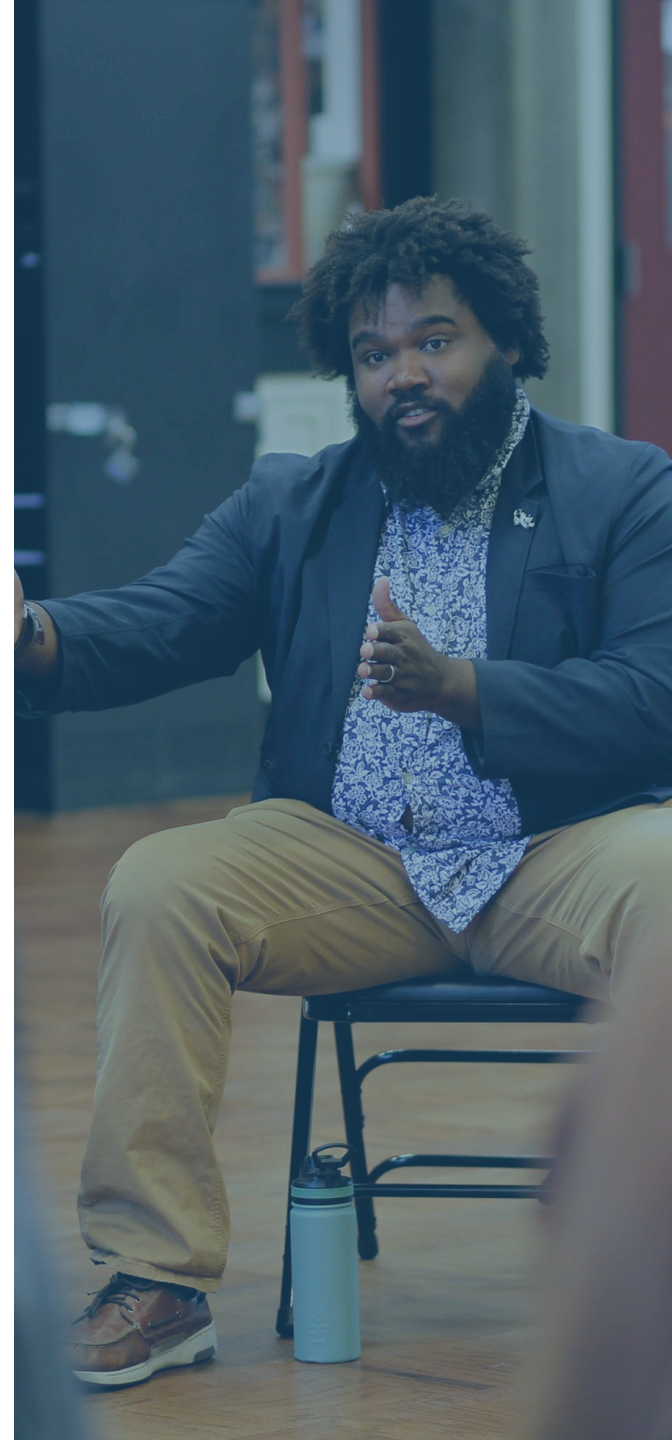
- ▶ Agreements to include BHSA Priority Populations
- ▶ Amendments for in-progress contractors

Those with a serious mental illness (SMI), substance use disorder (SUD), and/or co-occurring SUD/SMI, and

- serious emotional disturbances (SED) for children and youth
- chronically homeless or at risk of homelessness
- involved in or at risk of entering the criminal justice system
- re-entering the community from prison or jail in the child welfare system
- at risk of conservatorship
- at risk of institutionalization.

# Next Steps

- Immigrant and Refugees Statewide Grantee RFP was awarded 11/20/25
- Winter 2025 - TAY RFP
- 2026 - RFPs for
  - Families
  - Parents and Caregivers
  - LGBTQIA+
  - Consumers
  - Veterans
  - Diverse Racial and Ethnic Groups





# Additional Allocations

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# Full Service Partnership

## \$400,000 Annual Allocation

- SB 465 (2021) mandates evaluation of Full Service Partnership (FSP) outcomes.
  - Full Service Partnership (FSP) means the collaborative relationship between a County and the consumer, and when appropriate the consumer's family, to provide the full spectrum of a county's Community Services and Supports. FSPs represent comprehensive and intensive mental health programs for adults with severe and persistent mental illness. FSPs utilize a “whatever it takes” field-based approach using innovative interventions to help adults reach their recovery goals.
  - The Commission is responsible for reporting on FSP effectiveness and outcomes.
- In January 2022, the Commission submitted a Budget Change Proposal (BCP) to implement SB 465.
- Approved as part of the Fiscal Year 2022–23 Budget, the BCP secured \$400,000 in ongoing annual funding to support both internal and external staffing for data analysis, reporting, and community engagement related to Full Service Partnerships (FSPs).

# Full Service Partnership

## Expenditures to Date

- Third Sector Capital Partners – Contract 22MHSOAC050 - \$405,000
  - Evaluate the effectiveness of Full Service Partnerships and make recommendations on strengthening program outcomes.
- Third Sector Capital Partners – Contract 23MHSOAC057 - \$250,000
  - Develop a best-practice toolkit for FSP programs across California
- Healthy Brains Global Initiative (HGBI) - Contract 23MHSAOC052 - \$150,000
  - Complete a pilot study to develop performance packs, produce quarterly performance summaries, and contribute findings to a final report with project-wide recommendations.
- University of California, San Francisco – Contract 21MHSOAC023 A.2 - \$400,000
  - Support the Commission’s evaluation of Child FSPs through data analysis, system linkages, and community engagement, using the Data Warehouse to develop indicators on utilization, accountability, and outcomes for child-serving programs.

# Proposition 1 Implementation

## \$100,000 Annual Allocation for Three Years

- March 2024: Voters passed Proposition 1, enacting the Behavioral Health Services Act (BHSA).
- Key Changes Under Prop 1
  - Expanded focus to include substance use disorders.
  - Increased fiscal accountability and guaranteed funding for workforce and housing.
  - Renamed the Commission to the Behavioral Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission.
  - Expanded the Commission from 16 to 27 members.
  - Broadened the Commission's administrative, reporting, and consulting responsibilities.

# Proposition 1 Implementation Support

## Resource Request

- Commission submitted a BCP in spring 2025 to support the Commission's expanded responsibilities under the Behavioral Health Services Act (BHSA) following the passage of Proposition 1.
- Requested Resources: \$100,000 annually for 3 years (starting FY 2024–25) for communications and outreach to engage the public, policymakers, and community partners; legal and legislative support to manage increased workload from BHSA mandates; and staff training on contracts, legal research, and compliance.
- The funding aims to strengthen public awareness and reduce stigma, enhance accountability and transparency, and support effective implementation of the new BHSA requirements.

## Expenditures to Date

- FY 2024-25 Program 11 – Contract 23MHSOAC021 A.2 - \$100,000
  - Deliver a refreshed brand strategy for the Commission to align with the transition to the Behavioral Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission under Proposition 1.
- FY 2025-26 Program 11 – Contract 23MHSOAC021 A.3 - \$95,000
  - Support the creation of the BHSA Community Planning Process (CPP) Stakeholder Toolkit.

# Next Steps

- Is there any additional fiscal-related information or topics you would like the BFA Committee to discuss during Calendar Year 2026 meetings?
- What benchmarks or performance indicators should we monitor to evaluate whether budget allocations are achieving their intended outcomes?
- Are there specific funding areas or programs you would like the Committee to review more closely this year?
- Are there any emerging priorities we should proactively address in upcoming meetings?
- Any other/additional input?



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