



## Behavioral Health and Recovery Services

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### Substance Use Services Request for Proposal (RFP) #018-23

In accordance with Measure B's goals of providing necessary infrastructure to support and stabilize individuals with behavioral health conditions, including addiction and neurological disorders, the purpose of the RFP was to request proposal to establish or implement comprehensive treatment and recovery program services which provide a full spectrum of substance use treatment, harm reduction, and recovery services for youth and/or adults in Mendocino County. Behavioral Health and Recovery Services (BHRS) was seeking proposals for innovative continuum of care programs for youth and/or adults to help clients achieve and maintain sobriety. Successful applicants would have a whole person, client centered approach to services and providers are expected to engage in creative approaches to provide services.

On May 9, 2023, the Board of Supervisors authorized the Mental Health Treatment Act Citizens Oversight Committee and Behavioral Health Director to bring the results of the Substance Use Services RFP back to the Board for discussion and possible award.

On May 22, 2023, BHRS released a request for proposal seeking innovative continuum of care programs for youth and/or adults to help clients achieve and maintain sobriety. The RFP closed on June 19, 2023, at 5:00 PM.

An evaluation review committee was appointed that consisted of Mendocino County BHRS Treatment staff, representatives from the Mental Health Treatment Act (Measure B) Committee, and the Behavioral Health Advisory Board (BHAB). The review team consisted of Karen Lovato (BHRS), Jill Ales (BHRS), Shannon Riley (Measure B), Jo Bradley (BHAB/Measure B), Paul Murguia (BHRS), and Sherrie Ebyam (Measure B). The reviewers met twice once on August 28, 2023 and once on September 8, 2023. One member of the review team recused themselves prior to the meeting on September 8, 2023.

The RFP received two responses, following a review of the proposals, the proposal from Ford Street Project was determined to be complete and recommended for next steps.

Ford Street Project (FSP) is requesting \$4.1 M to build a 3663 sq. ft. 24-Bed Sober-living dormitory located on adjacent, unimproved property (owned by FSP), and adjoining the Ukiah recovery Center. This request represents the last phase of the Ukiah Recovery Expansion Project that began in 2017. The total projected cost of the URC Expansion Project is \$7,166,142. Partnership Health Plan provided a \$350,000 planning grant in 2017. Ford Street was awarded a \$3,042,000 for the first phase of the URC Expansion Project from the California Department of Healthcare Services, Behavioral Health Continuum Infrastructure Program (BHCIP) in November 2022. These funds will build a 3350 sq. ft. Treatment Pavilion with 2 group rooms, one-on one office spaces and a reception area.

The review team is recommending to award all or a portion of the requested funds for the Ford Street project. If the BOS approved an award, BHRS will negotiate and develop a contract with FSP for the BOS review and approval. Contracts terms will align with the State of California terms and requirements for capital facility projects.