



**September 2021**

## **Measure B Current Projects and Status**

**Crisis Residential Treatment Facility** - Progress continues with the construction of the building. Interior finishing, including cabinets, trim, fixtures, blinds and touch-up paint are the current activities. The scheduled completion date is November 1, 2021 (see photos on page 2).

**Mobile Crisis Response Team Pilot** - One Mental Health Rehabilitation Specialist has been hired, trained, and responds to crises in partnership with Mendocino County Sheriff's Office. One new Mental Health Rehabilitation Specialist is being transferred to the team, and the Sheriff's Office and Behavioral Health and Recovery Services are working together on innovative ways to recruit additional staff. To-date the MHRS has responded to 20 calls with the Sheriff's department and 30 calls with either Redwood Community Services Crisis, Mobile Outreach and Prevention Services, or Homeless Outreach Team.

**Community Education, Awareness, and Support** - The contract with NAMI Mendocino has been approved. NAMI Mendocino has opened a recruitment for an Executive Director. NAMI Mendocino will now begin the work to reduce stigma and discrimination, reduce reluctance to seek help or treatment, increase engagement, advocacy, and leadership skills and conduct a public education campaign.

**Behavioral Health Regional Training Center** - There are still a few minor items left to finalize. Staff are ironing out the training facility reservation process.

**Psychiatric Health Facility** - Behavioral Health and Recovery Services is working on a draft Memorandum of Understanding between Behavioral Health and Recovery Services and Telecare Corporation for the development and operation of the psychiatric facility. Nacht & Lewis have been working with the County and Telecare as they complete their feasibility study of the facility on Whitmore Lane.

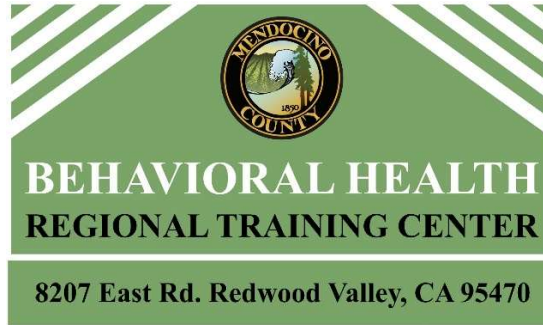
**Crisis Assessment and Psychiatric Hospitalization Aftercare** – Redwood Community Crisis Center started providing crisis assessment and psychiatric hospitalization aftercare to the community on July 1, 2021. These services are provided to individuals within the community that do not have Medi-Cal as their health insurance provider.

**Mental Health Treatment Act Audit** - An auditor has been selected to examine management's assertion that the entity complied with the expenditure restrictions as described in Chapter 5.180 of the Mendocino County Code entitled the "Mental Health Treatment Act" during each of the periods July 1, 2019, to June 30, 2020, July 1, 2020, to June 30, 2021, and July 1, 2021, to June 30. Total contract cost \$6,000.



## Mental Health Treatment Act Citizens Oversight Committee Behavioral Health Director's Report

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**The Behavioral Health Regional Training Center** in Redwood Valley nears completion. Education will be geared toward equipping first responders, law enforcement, mental health professionals, and other individuals vested in mental health with skills to detect and handle mental illness more efficiently.



**The Crisis Residential Treatment Facility** will provide a less restrictive but structured program as an alternative to hospitalization for individuals experiencing an acute psychiatric episode or crises who require 24-hour support to return to community living.