

**INYO COUNTY  
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH**  
Mental Health Services



Mental Health Services Act

**CAPITAL FACILITIES and TECHNOLOGICAL  
NEEDS COMPONENT PROPOSAL**

**POSTED**

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This MHSA Proposal is available for public review and comment through October 7, 2010. We welcome your feedback!

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*Thank you!*

**Capital Facilities and Technological Needs Face Sheet**

**MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ACT (MHSA)  
THREE-YEAR PROGRAM and EXPENDITURE PLAN  
CAPITAL FACILITIES and TECHNOLOGICAL NEEDS  
COMPONENT PROPOSAL**

County: **INYO**

Date: **September 7, 2010**

**County Mental Health Director**

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**COUNTY CERTIFICATION**

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**I hereby certify that I am the official responsible for the administration of Community Mental Health Services in and for Inyo County and that the following are true and correct:**

This Component Proposal is consistent with the Mental Health Services Act.

This Capital Facilities and Technological Needs Component Proposal is consistent with and supportive of the standards set forth in Title 9, California Code of Regulations (CCR) Section 3320.

The County certifies that if proposing technological needs project(s), the Technological Needs Assessment, including the Roadmap for moving toward an Integrated Information Systems Infrastructure, will be submitted with the first Technological Needs Project Proposal.

This Component Proposal has been developed with the participation of stakeholders, in accordance with Title 9, CCR Sections 3300, 3310, and 3315, and with the participation of the public and our contract service providers. The draft local Capital Facilities and Technological Needs Component Proposal was circulated for 30 days to stakeholders for review and comment. All input has been considered, with adjustments made, as appropriate.

Mental Health Services Act funds are and will be used in compliance with Title 9, CCR Section 3410, Non-Supplant.

All documents in the attached Component Proposal for Capital Facilities and Technological Needs are true and correct.

Signature: <to be signed prior to submission to State>  
Local Mental Health Director

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Executed at: **Bishop, CA**

**COMPONENT PROPOSAL NARRATIVE**

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**1. Framework and Goal Support**

*Briefly describe: 1) how the County plans to use Capital Facilities and/or Technological Needs Component funds to support the programs, services, and goals implemented through the MHSA, and 2) how you derived the proposed distribution of funds below.*

**Proposed distribution of funds:**

Total Available Funding:	<b>\$788,500</b>
Capital Facilities:	<b>\$117,990</b>
Technological Needs:	<b>\$670,510</b>

The Capital Facilities funding will provide the opportunity to develop a new facility, or renovate an existing building, to better serve our clients. Currently, we are still exploring options for a Capital Facilities project in Inyo County. We are working to determine the most effective way to meet the needs of our clients, staff, and community. Key factors in the development of this project include usage needs, stakeholder input, property location and availability, and space requirements. We will ensure that the proposed Capital Facilities Project will fully support our MHSA goals and objectives to improve access for unserved and underserved clients; make services more welcoming to promote wellness and recovery; and achieve optimal client outcomes.

The Technological Needs funding will be used to upgrade and maintain the Behavioral Health IT system, including the purchase of system hardware, clinical software licensing and maintenance, and funding for an information systems analyst and data analysis staff. These upgrades and features will expedite staff entry of and access to client information and share critical information for high-risk clients (e.g., allergies, drug sensitivities, recent crisis information, as appropriate). An Electronic Health Record (EHR) will streamline assessments, document services, enhance medication management, and track outcomes over time. This system will monitor due dates for charting, client service plans, and other utilization review activities. The new equipment will also ensure the security and privacy of protected health information. This Technological Needs Project supports our MSHA activities by creating a secure network which ensures client confidentiality and creates the capacity for an electronic clinical record. This project will minimize paperwork and maximize staff time for service delivery to our clients, promoting resiliency, wellness, and recovery so that clients achieve positive outcomes.

The proposed distribution of funds is 15% for Capital Facilities and 85% for Technological Needs. This distribution was determined by reviewing the input from our stakeholder survey, holding a stakeholder focus group, examining the priorities of our MHSA program, and outlining the costs of each component. The final determination was made to ensure the development of projects that maximize the limited resources for this remote county.

## 2. Stakeholder Involvement

*Provide a description of stakeholder involvement in identification of the County's Capital Facilities and/or Technological Needs Component priorities along with a short summary of the Community Program Planning Process and any substantive recommendations and/or changes as a result of the stakeholder process.*

The Inyo County Capital Facilities and Technological Needs (CFTN) planning process continued the comprehensive work of our earlier MHSa planning efforts by utilizing our excellent partnership with consumers, family members, staff, and community stakeholders. Input on the CFTN component was obtained through a variety of sources, including two CFTN surveys and several stakeholder focus group. Input was received from traditionally unserved and underserved populations, including Latinos, Native Americans, consumers, and family members.

We developed two surveys that provided staff, volunteers, and consumers the opportunity to give feedback on capital facilities and technology needs. One survey focused on Capital Facilities issues; the other addressed Technological Needs. The surveys were distributed to persons throughout the county and a total of 70 surveys were completed (35 Capital Facilities surveys and 35 Technological Needs surveys). Survey results indicate that stakeholders support the use of Capital Facility funds for developing a community wellness center, traditional mental health clinic, and/or administrative office space. Survey results support the use of Technological Needs funds for improving the clinical computer system; training staff and consumers on using the new system; and purchasing video-conferencing equipment for telepsychiatry.

The MHSa Leadership Committee, comprised of consumers, family members, staff, and other stakeholders, reviewed and discussed the results of the two CFTN surveys. The Committee used these tools and additional input from key stakeholders to determine the highest priorities for Capital Facilities and Technology Projects. Input from these planning activities were compiled and developed into the core components of the Capital Facilities and Technological Needs Component Proposal.

Public Review and Comment Period: A draft of the CFTN Component Proposal has been posted on our website for 30 days from September 7, 2010 through October 7, 2010. The CFTN Component Proposal is available on the Inyo County website. The Proposal has also been distributed across the county and placed with allied agencies and at branches of the public library.

Public Hearing: A public hearing is not required for this Component Proposal.

Input on the CFTN Component Proposal will be reviewed and incorporated into the final document, as appropriate, prior to submission to DMH for approval.

**COMPONENT PROPOSAL: CAPITAL FACILITIES NEEDS LISTING**

*Please list Capital Facility needs (ex: types and numbers of facilities needed, possible County locations for needed facilities, MHSA programs and services to be provided, target populations to be served, etc.).*

Type of Facility	Number of Facilities Needed	County Location of Needed Facility	MHSA Programs & Services to be provided	Target Populations to be served
Direct service; wellness center facilities; meeting rooms for groups; office space	1	Bishop	MHSA services and support; wellness and recovery activities	Children; TAY; adults; older adults; Native Americans
Direct service; wellness center facilities; meeting rooms for groups; office space	1	Tecopa	MHSA services and support; wellness and recovery activities	Children; TAY; adults; older adults; Native Americans
Direct service; wellness center facilities; meeting rooms for groups; office space	1	Lone Pine	MHSA services and support; wellness and recovery activities	Children; TAY; adults; older adults; Native Americans

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## COMPONENT PROPOSAL: TECHNOLOGICAL NEEDS

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Please check-off one or more of the technological needs which meet your goals of modernization/transformation or client/family empowerment as your county moves toward an Integrated Information Systems Infrastructure.

- **Electronic Health Record (EHR) System Projects (check all that apply)**
  - Infrastructure, Security, Privacy
  - Practice Management
  - Clinical Data Management
  - Computerized Provider Order Entry
  - Full EHR with Interoperability Components (for example, standard data exchanges with other counties, contract providers, labs, pharmacies)
  
- **Client and Family Empowerment Projects**
  - Client/Family Access to Computing Resources Projects
  - Personal Health Record (PHR) System Projects
  - Online Information Resource Projects (Expansion / Leveraging information sharing services)
  
- **Other Technology Projects That Support MHSA Operations**
  - Telemedicine and other rural/underserved service access methods
  - Pilot projects to monitor new programs and service outcome improvement
  - Data Warehousing Projects / Decision Support
  - Imaging / Paper Conversion Projects
  - Other (Briefly Describe): N/A