

**COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
TUESDAY, MAY 23, 2023**

MINUTE ORDER NO. 23

SUBJECT: RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON ESTABLISHING THE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH IMPACT FUND 2.0 (DISTRICTS: ALL)

OVERVIEW

On October 11, 2022 (9), the San Diego County Board of Supervisors (Board) found that a Behavioral Health Impact Fund 2.0 (BHIF 2.0) was necessary to meet the social needs of the county’s population; established a BHIF 2.0 grant program; directed the County of San Diego (County) to return to the Board with proposed evaluation and selection criteria for the BHIF 2.0; issue request(s) for proposals for behavioral health services; administer the BHIF 2.0; and provide updates on the status of awards, including the total number of awards granted, types of projects awarded, a description of recently awarded projects, and amount of funds remaining.

Today’s action provides an update on this direction and a summary of ongoing activities that align with the goals of BHIF 2.0 to ensure funds are available to support the increase in behavioral health needs across the continuum. Additionally, today’s action requests authority to provide future updates to coincide with significant developments in lieu of time-certain reporting.

Today’s actions support the County’s vision of a just, sustainable, and resilient future for all, specifically those communities and populations in San Diego County that have been historically left behind, as well as our ongoing commitment to the regional *Live Well San Diego* vision of healthy, safe, and thriving communities. This will be accomplished by a steadfast commitment to pursue funding opportunities that will allow the County to grow behavioral health supports in alignment with community need.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

1. Receive an update on establishing the Behavioral Health Impact Fund 2.0.
2. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to sunset time-certain reporting for the Behavioral Health Impact Fund 2.0, and shift updates to coincide with significant developments.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The County of San Diego (County) Health and Human Services Agency, Behavioral Health Services (BHS) serves as the specialty behavioral health plan for Medi-Cal eligible residents within San Diego County who are experiencing serious mental illness or serious emotional disturbance, as well as the service delivery system for Medi-Cal eligible residents with substance use disorder care needs. BHS aims to provide resources and services that are equitably distributed and advance wellness across the continuum of need. Today’s item supports this vision of advancing behavioral health equity in our region.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Today’s item is an update on the pursuit of funding that will support ongoing behavioral health projects and supports Sustainability Goal #4 to protect the health and well-being of everyone in the region by exploring grant funding opportunities available at the State and federal level.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with these items. There will be no change in net General Fund costs and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Vargas, seconded by Supervisor Anderson, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended.

AYES: Vargas, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Desmond

ABSENT: (District 4 Seat Vacant)

State of California)
County of San Diego) §

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of the Original entered in the Minutes of the Board of Supervisors.

ANDREW POTTER
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors



Signed
by Andrew Potter

