



County and Tribal Government Matching Grant Program for Crisis Intervention and Jail Diversion

WHAT IS IT?

A general fund-matching program for county and tribal government for crisis intervention and jail diversion. The goals of the County and Tribal Government Matching Grant Program are to:

- reduce reliance on Montana State Hospital (MSH) for emergency and court ordered detention and evaluation;
- support the treatment of mental illness closer to home by increasing local treatment capacity and creating better treatment outcomes;
- increase the number of intervention and jail diversion options that may provide judges, county attorneys, and law enforcement with alternatives to incarceration;
- establish and support collaboration among community stakeholders to address community needs; and
- reduce or eliminate detention center access for individuals with serious mental illness or co-occurring serious mental illness and substance use disorders so they can remain in their respective communities.

HOW DOES IT WORK?

Counties, groups of counties, community members, tribal governments, mental health advocates, health care providers and law enforcement officials collaborate on what works in their community and develop a strategic plan for crisis intervention and jail diversion services. Plans are written, budgets are developed and an application is submitted to the Addictive and Mental Disorders Division. Counties and tribal entities contribute funds and the Department of Public Health and Human Services provides matching funds based upon the county's and tribal entities' utilization rates at Montana State Hospital.

WHO SUBMITS THE APPLICATION?

County and tribal government representatives; including county attorney, county commission and county sheriff.

ESSENTIAL APPLICATION ELEMENTS:

- A two (2) year application from a county or multi-county or tribal government strategic plan addressing crisis intervention and jail diversion. Including a plan for community or regionally based emergency or court ordered detention and examination services, as well as short term inpatient treatment;
- A detailed plan for information and data collection and reporting;
- Written letters of support from all partner entities; and

- A complete budget identifying local contribution amounts, anticipated expenses, and start up or one time only costs.

HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED?

Contact your local mental health service provider, mental health Local Advisory Council, county attorney, county commission, county sheriff or tribal government. Grants for fiscal year 2017 were awarded to the following county or multi-county entities:

Beaverhead County Sheriff's Office	Lewis & Clark County
Cascade County	Missoula County
Fergus County	Park County
Gallatin County Sheriff's Office	Ravalli County
Hill County Sheriff's Office	Richland County Sheriff's Office
Lake County	Valley County

Contract for FY18-19 are currently being negotiated.

For further questions, please contact Addictive and Mental Disorders Division at 406 444 3964 or secure email: hhsamddmhspwaiver@mt.gov.