

Dear Stakeholder,

Pursuant to WIC Section 5847(a)(7), each County is required to submit a Three-Year Program and Expenditure Plan and update that includes establishment and maintenance of a prudent reserve for the CSS (Community Services and Support) component. The prudent reserve is necessary so that the County can continue to serve children, adults and seniors during years in which revenues for the Mental Health Services Fund are insufficient. Each County should establish the prudent reserve at the local level. The prudent reserve should be funded at 50 percent of the most recent annual approved CSS funding level by July 1, 2010, unless the County would have to reduce MHSA services below the level funded in FY 2007-08 (including services funded with the FY 2007-08 CSS augmentation and CSS administration) in order to reach the 50 percent prudent reserve.

As a result Kings County is proposing to dedicate \$1,235,250 of approved CSS funds to its local Prudent Reserve. This is the maximum required amount for satisfying this requirement. Kings must dedicate a total of \$1,235,250 to the Prudent Reserve by July 1, 2010.

Kings County plans to post this request on our website www.countyofkings.com/mhsa for a 30-day comment period. If you would like to provide feedback on this request you may e-mail the MHSA Coordinator at: Ronda.Braithwaite@co.kings.ca.us or phone comments to 559-582-3211 ext. 2434. We also will accept comment by regular mail at: 450 Kings County Drive, Suite 104, Hanford, CA 93230 (attention MHSA Coordinator).