



SECTION E

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Health and Human Services Administration (CC4120)

Sarah Eberhardt-Rios, Director

Executive Summary					
Fund:	FD0012 - Health				
Cost Center Name:	Human Services Administration			Cost Center: CC4120	
	2023-24 Actuals	2024-25 Actuals YTD	2024-25 Adopted Budget	2025-26 CAO Recommended Budget	% Change
Expenditures					
Salaries and Employee Benefits	3,187,051	2,893,648	3,718,483	4,021,671	8.15%
Services and Supplies	247,027	138,615	470,688	449,877	-4.42%
Other Charges	379,766	29,253	320,390	521,594	62.80%
Intrafund Transfers	-324,646	0	-374,690	-510,118	36.14%
Transfers Out (Nonreciprocal)	3,004	0	22,505	19,128	-15.01%
Total Expenditures	3,492,201	3,061,516	4,157,376	4,502,152	8.29%
Revenues					
Revenue from Investment and Property	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Intergovernmental Revenues	729,320	0	822,162	1,020,398	24.11%
Charges for Services	2,649,269	50	3,335,214	3,481,754	4.39%
Miscellaneous Revenues	0	45	0	0	0.00%
Budgetary - Revenue	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Total Revenues	3,378,589	95	4,157,376	4,502,152	8.29%
Unreimbursed Costs	113,613	3,061,421	0	0	0.00%
Allocated Positions	19.00	0.00	21.00	24.00	14.29%

Budget detail can be found on page SE-1 of the Schedules Section.

Mission Statement/ Program Description

The Sutter County Health and Human Services Department promotes health, safety, economic stability, and quality of life for the community.

This budget funds the Director, two Assistant Directors, two Branch Directors, and support staff that provides leadership, financial, and administrative support functions for the Department of Health and Human Services.

The Health and Human Services (HHS) Administration office oversees the Administration and Finance branch as well as the five service branches of the Health and Human Services Department including Adult's, Children's, Acute Psychiatric Services, Employment and Eligibility, and Public Health. Oversight of the Children and Families Commission budget is provided through this cost center. Continual changes at the State and Federal level will likely require ongoing adjustments in the Department's operations.

Accomplishments & Goals

Major Accomplishments / Initiatives:

- Completed and released HHS Strategic Plan
- Increased fiscal education and trainings offered to HHS staff at multiple levels to include an emphasis on strengthening technical accounting skills
- Heavily participated in workday enterprise resource system testing and implementation activities to ensure a smooth transition for HHS programs and staff
- In partnership with General Services, completed several office refreshes with new paint, carpet and cubicles, significantly improving staff morale and customer service experience
- Hosted and participated in several Board of Supervisor connected town halls, increased HHS's presence on social media and hosted several community education sessions related to vaping/tobacco cessation, behavioral health, Alzheimer's disease and diabetes management

Three-Year Department-Wide Goals and Objectives (2022 through 2025):

- Continued development and implementation of the HHS Fiscal Sustainability Plan to include efforts to increase fund balance as possible
- Implement performance measures for HHS programs and contracts using results-based accountability, as connected to available technology platforms such as Workday
- Enhance communications with the Sutter County Board of Supervisors, Behavioral Health Advisory Board, and the community through continued leadership and staff presentations
- Continue to implement incremental facilities improvements for HHS sites

Major Budget Changes

Salaries & Benefits

- \$169,347 Increase due to the addition of 2.0 FTE during FY 2024-25 for the Children's and Families Commission (CFC), 1.0 FTE Health Program Specialist and 1.0 FTE Office Assistant II funded by additional CFC grants
- \$133,841 Addition of 1.0 FTE Staff Services Manager position primarily focused on HHS-wide contracts management, auditing and contract performance reviews, program evaluation and outcomes reporting, supervision of staff analysts, to include clerical and secretarial support throughout the HHS structure, tracking of HHS public phone numbers, test calls, customer service performance and improvements

Services and Supplies

- (\$33,111) Decrease due to rent for HHS Admin facility being appropriated in Other Charges (Lease – Structure and Improvement) instead of Services and Supplies

Other Charges

- \$92,030 Increase in Interfund OH Cost Plan allocation based on County Cost Plan
- \$84,060 Increase in Interfund Other Department for the expense transfer to the Auditor-Controller's Office for the addition of an HHS dedicated Account Technician I/II added in FY 2024-25
- \$33,111 Increase due to rent for HHS Admin facility being appropriated in Other Charges (Lease – Structure and Improvement) instead of Services and Supplies

Intrafund Transfer

- (\$135,428) Decrease in Intrafund Admin Services transfer-in from County Health

Revenues

- \$332,476 Increase in Charges for Services revenue from other HHS cost centers/programs due to program growth, increased overhead/ISF charges, and staffing of fiscal and contracts management positions

Recommended Budget

Total appropriations are recommended at \$4,502,152, an increase of \$344,776 (8.29%) from the FY 2024-25 Adopted Budget. This cost center allocates all its expenses to other HHS cost centers/programs and agencies that are under its support and administration. There is no Net County Cost in this cost center.

The following positions are recommended as of July 1, 2025:

- Addition of 1.0 FTE Staff Services Manager position

Use of Fund Balance

This cost center is within the Health Fund. The budget does not include the use of any specific fund balance.

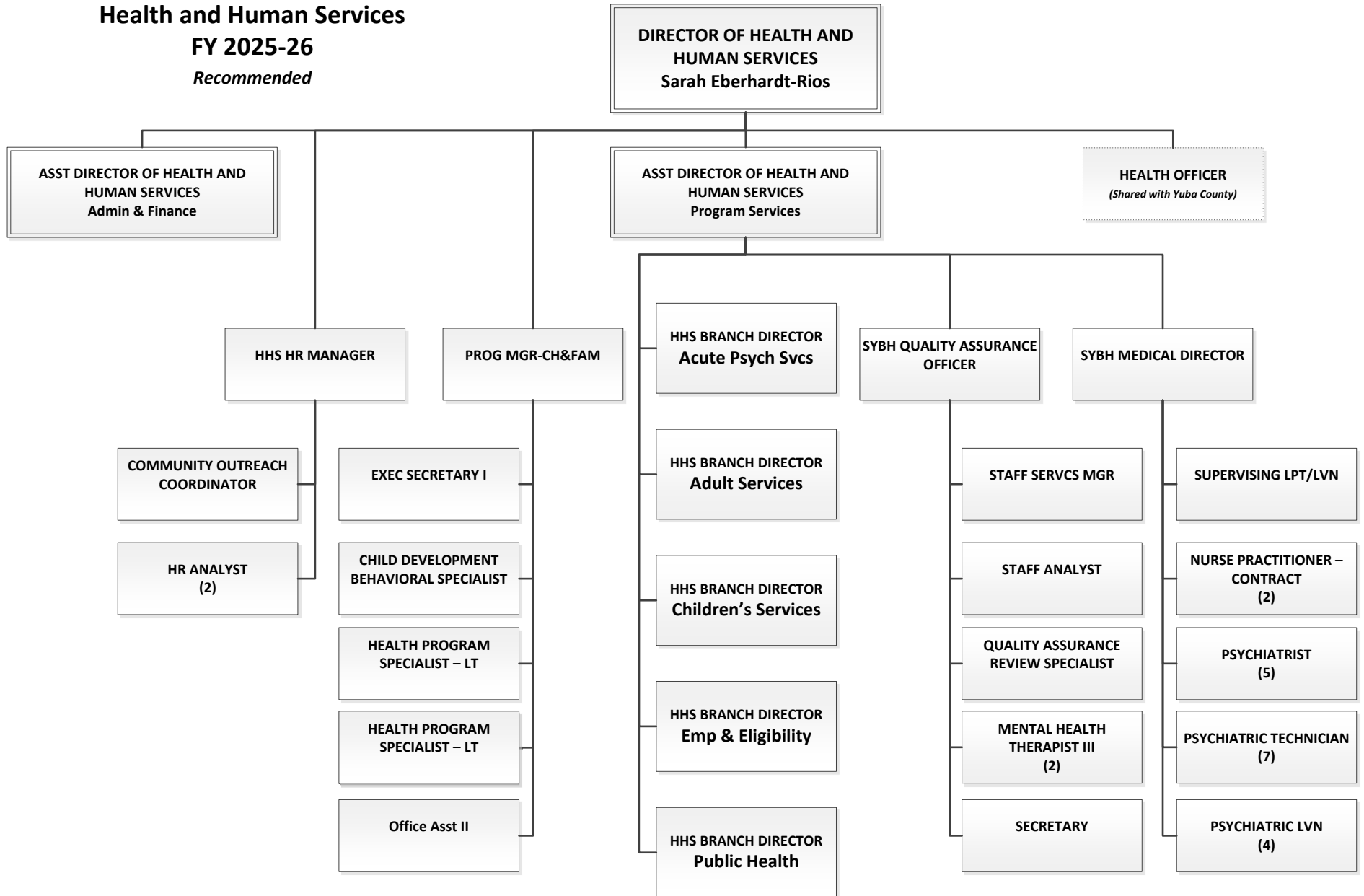
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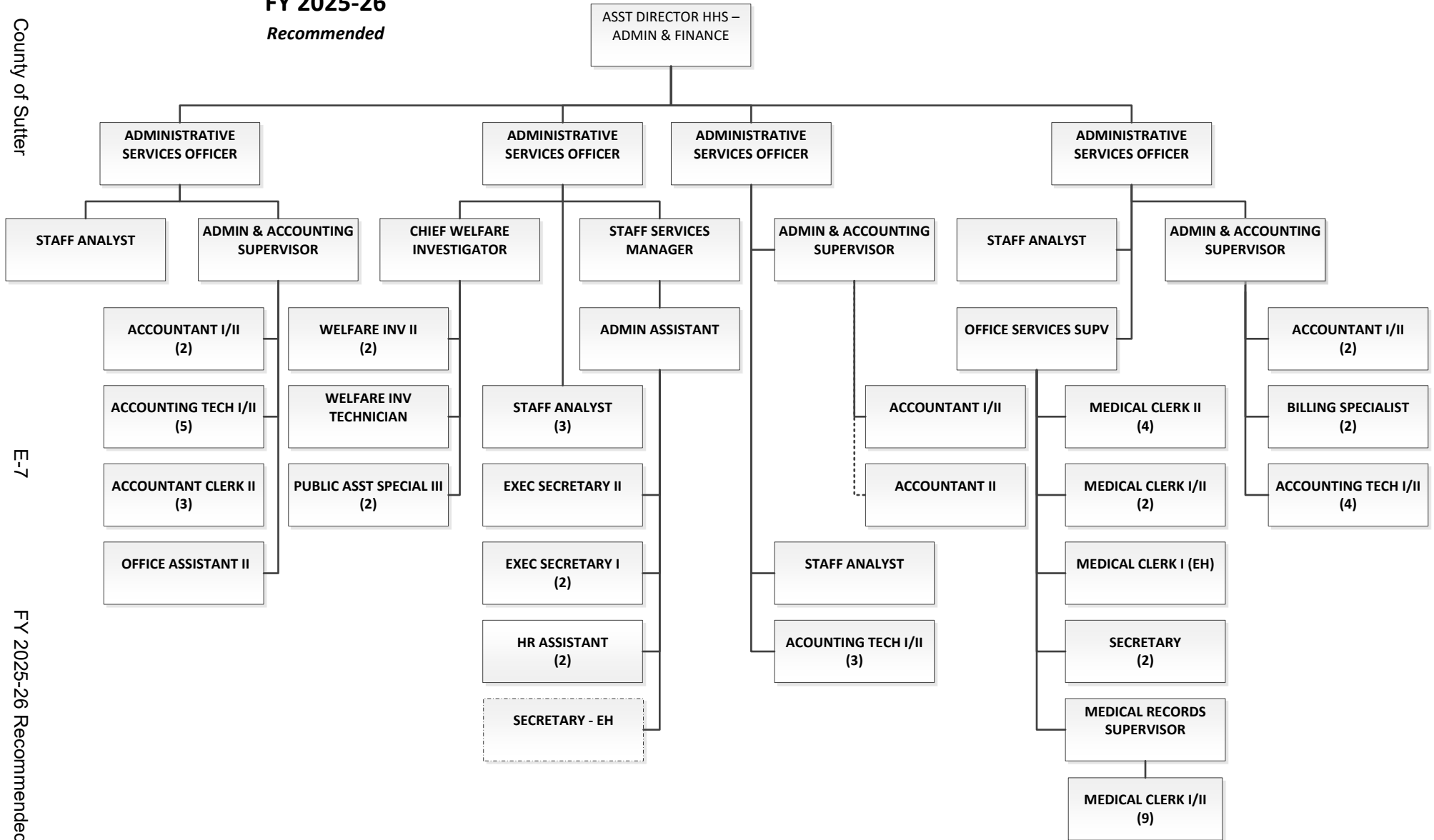
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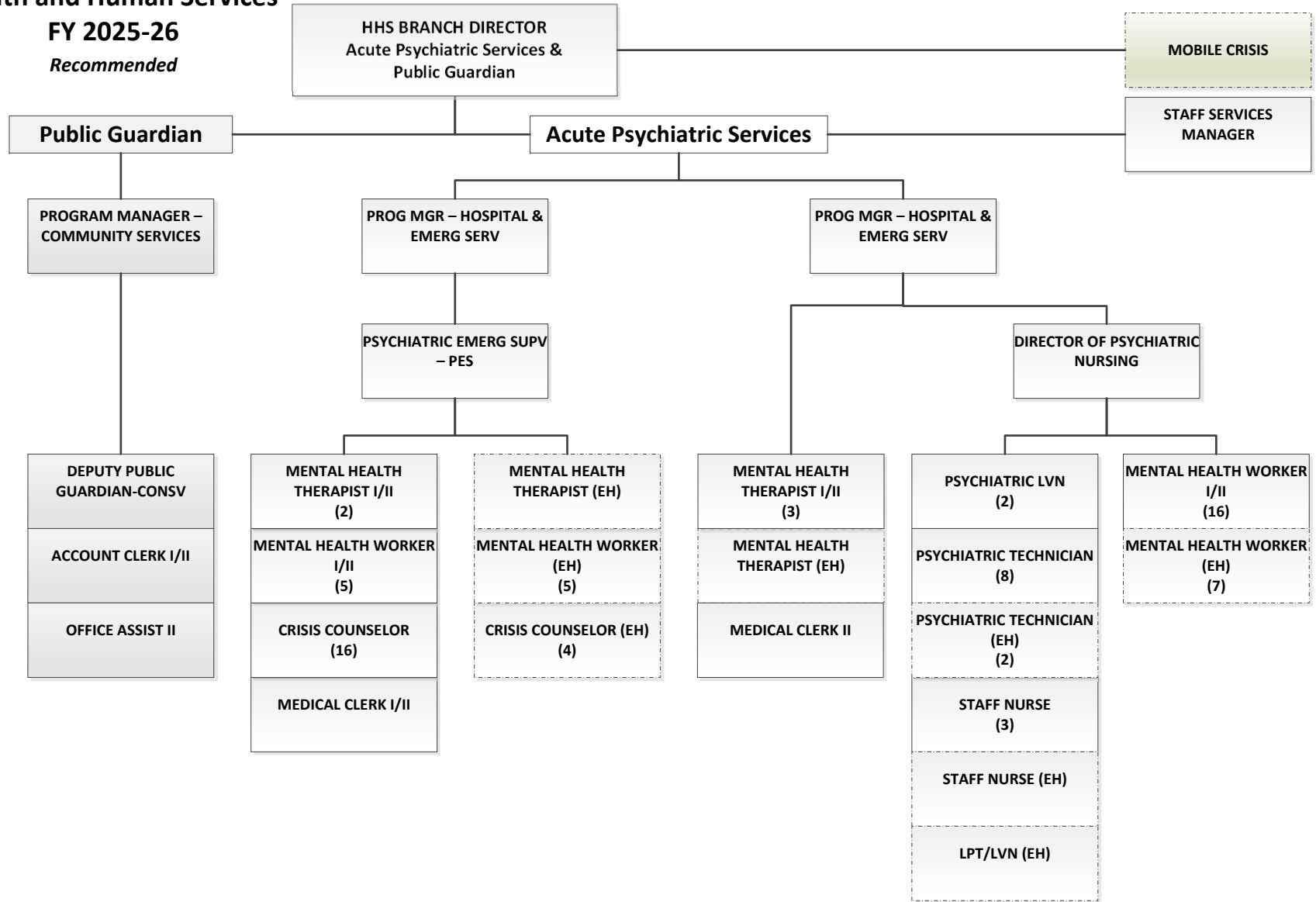
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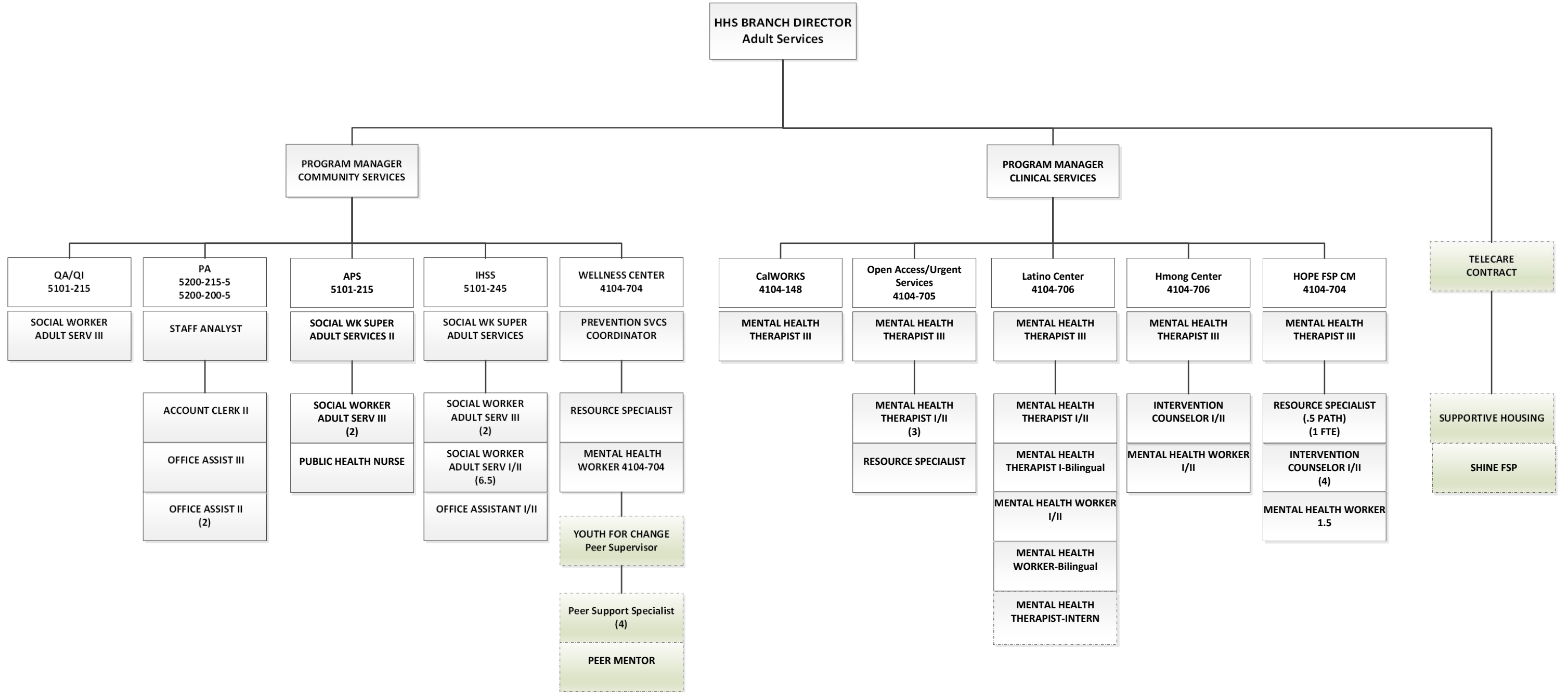
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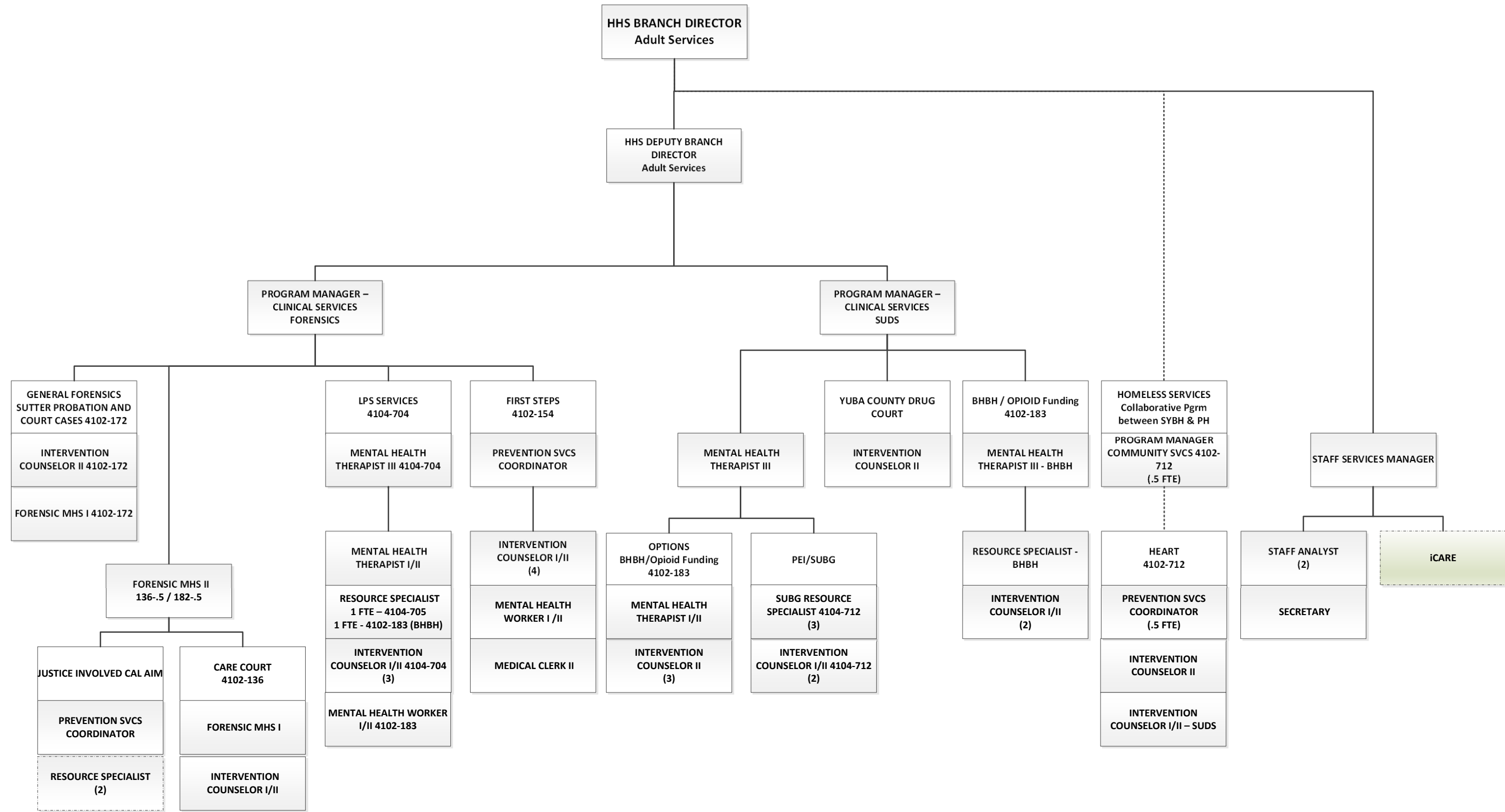
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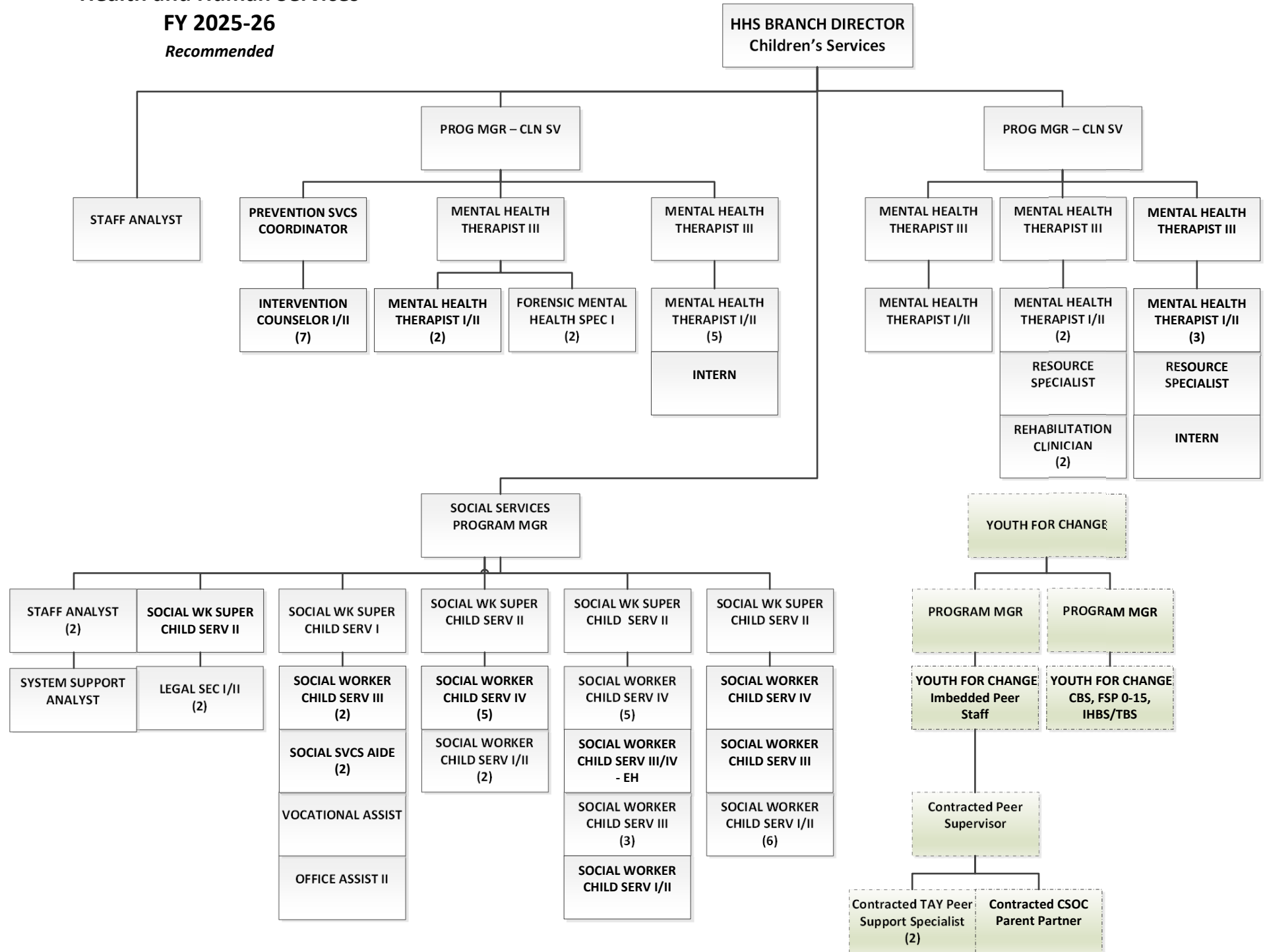
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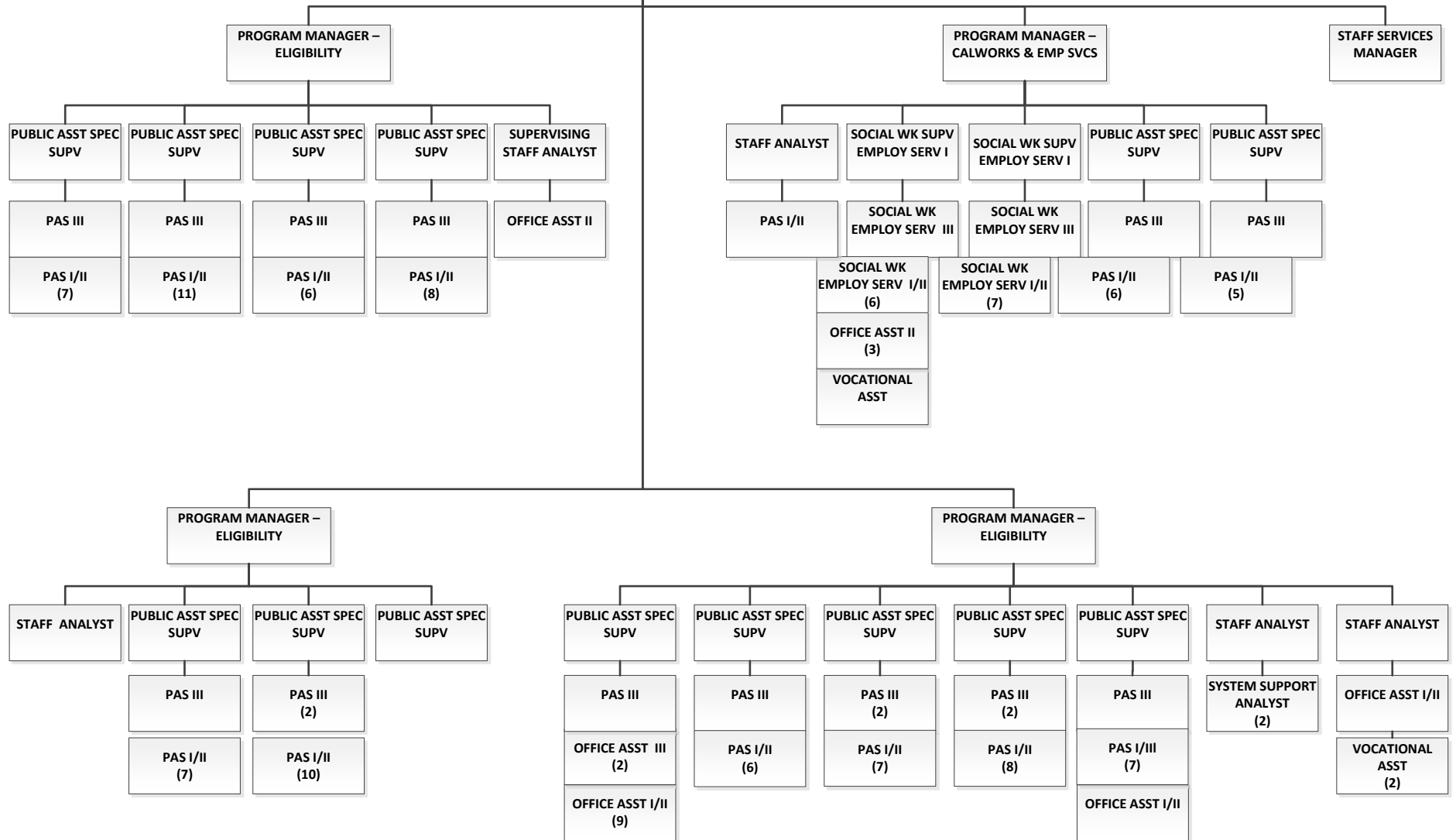
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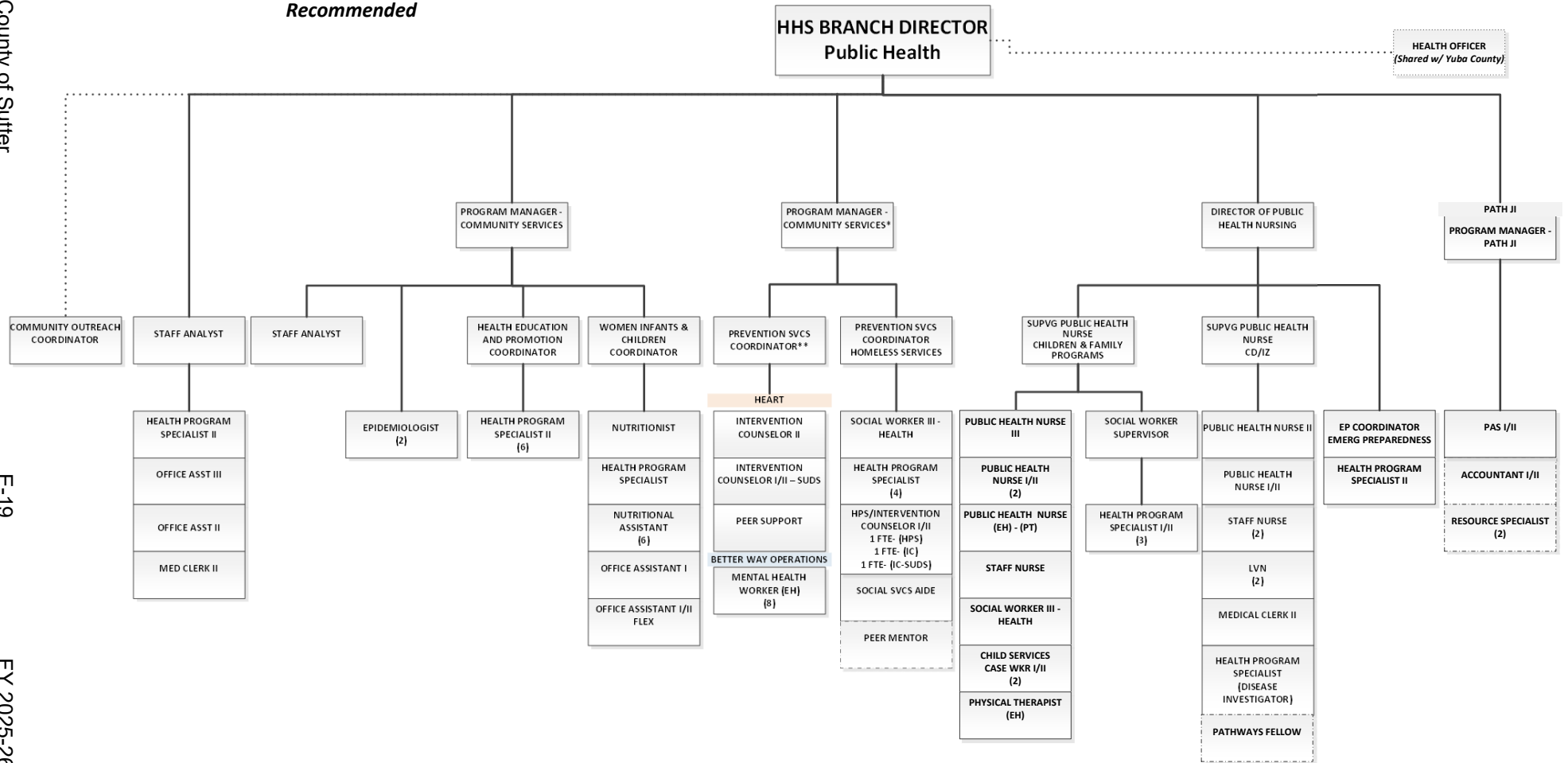
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Health and Human Services Behavioral Health (CC4102)

Sarah Eberhardt-Rios, Director

Executive Summary					
Fund: FD0007 - Bi County Behavioral Health					
Cost Center Name: Behavioral Health			Cost Center: CC4102		
	2023-24 Actuals	2024-25 Actuals YTD	2024-25 Adopted Budget	2025-26 CAO Recommended Budget	% Change
Expenditures					
Salaries and Employee Benefits	19,738,787	17,010,276	23,119,395	22,290,755	-3.58%
Services and Supplies	8,572,142	9,672,253	11,924,985	19,088,245	60.07%
Other Charges	10,357,108	9,283,669	8,561,161	7,614,040	-11.06%
Capital Assets - Expenditures	32,732	80,001	100,420	26,700	-73.41%
Transfers Out (Nonreciprocal)	1,345,573	69,438	408,038	412,787	1.16%
Total Expenditures	40,046,342	36,115,636	44,113,999	49,432,527	12.06%
Revenues					
Fines, Forfeitures, and Penalties	50	0	0	0	0.00%
Revenue from Investment and Property	285,618	46	28,000	0	-100.00%
Intergovernmental Revenues	14,580,533	5,578,004	18,540,506	7,030,321	-62.08%
Charges for Services	4,879,854	235,052	1,198,600	730,995	-39.01%
Miscellaneous Revenues	266,614	6,860,353	156,720	110,000	-29.81%
Sale of Capital Assets	0	3,731	0	0	0.00%
Transfers In (Nonreciprocal)	18,268,808	6,851,852	22,248,678	39,886,406	79.28%
Budgetary - Revenue	0	0	1,941,495	1,674,805	-13.74%
Total Revenues	38,281,476	19,529,038	44,113,999	49,432,527	12.06%
Unreimbursed Costs	1,764,866	16,586,598	0	0	0.00%
Allocated Positions	166.47	0.00	173.97	177.80	2.20%

Budget detail can be found on page SE-4 of the Schedules Section.

Mission / Program Description

Sutter-Yuba Behavioral Health (SYBH), established through a 1969 Joint Powers Agreement between Sutter and Yuba Counties, provides specialty mental health and substance use disorder services to eligible Sutter and Yuba County Medi-Cal beneficiaries. This includes the provision of crisis services for all Sutter and Yuba County residents regardless of payer status and providing a comprehensive system of care for the seriously mentally ill, to the extent resources are available.

Behavioral Health also funds substance use activities, consisting of prevention and treatment for Sutter and Yuba County residents. Examples of substance use treatment includes Outpatient Drug-Free programs and Intensive Outpatient Treatment programs (IOT), including a perinatal IOT program for women and children (First Steps).

Accomplishments & Goals

FY 2024-2025 Accomplishments

- Provided high quality behavioral health services to 4,957 community members (2,657 Sutter County and 2,300 Yuba County) in FY 2023-24
- Implemented and launched a 24/7 mobile crisis response program and secured a new provider to the area, Psych Crisis, through the RFP process
- Implemented the Community Assistance, Recovery, and Empowerment (CARE) Act with partners from both counties, including the Public Defender, District Attorney, County Counsel, and Courts
- Continued ongoing implementation of billing processes in alignment with DHCS's July 2023 Payment Reform
- Ensured that Transitional Age Youth (TAY) and Adult Services Peer Staff were certified and able to provide billable peer services as of July 1, 2025
- In conjunction with the Sheriff and Probation Departments in both Sutter and Yuba Counties, prepared for the California Advancing and Innovating Medi-Cal Justice Involved Initiative (CalAIM-JI), which allows for the billing of medical services prior to inmate release potentially saving thousands of dollars in jail medical costs in both counties
- Secured Children and Youth Behavioral Health Initiative (CYBHI) round 2 funding and made arrangements for 10 Youth and Family clinicians to be trained in the evidence-based model of Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (TF-CBT)

FY 2025-26 Goals

- Successfully fill a seat on the Behavioral Health Advisory Board (BHAB) with a transition-age youth member
- Prepare for expected increases in Lanterman-Petris-Short Act (LPS) conservatorships as a result of SB43, which expands the definition of grave disability
- Implement revised structure and implement training of the LPS Full-Service Partnership (FSP), Hope FSP, and the contracted SHINE FSP programs to enhance service quality and align them with upcoming Behavioral Health Services Act (BHSA) billing requirements from DHCS
- Implement a Medi-Cal billing dashboard to track and enhance data-driven decision making to maximize Medi-Cal reimbursement under the Behavioral Health payment reform model

Major Budget Changes

Salaries & Benefits

- (\$828,640) Decrease in staffing costs due to increased salary saving factor as a result of historical vacancies and freezing approximately 13 vacant positions for one year as a budget strategy to observe how payment reform reflects revenues for one entire year

Services & Supplies

- (\$999,310) Decrease in software license and maintenance costs is due to Workday implementation and the change of expense categories to professional specialized services

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- \$7,731,206 Increase in professional specialized services due to a new contract with Psych Crisis, increased number of LPS Conservatees and costs, and the implementation of Workday
- \$254,549 Increase of education and training due to leadership teams attending CSAC trainings, NACO leadership trainings, and various conferences related to program and state updates
- \$176,815 Increase in Special Department Expense-Services, Utilities, Transportation and Travel expenses

Other Charges

- \$830,723 Increase in Support and Care of Persons due to the implementation of Workday new expense codes which have been created in Professional Specialized Services
- (\$3,041,840) Decrease in Contribution to Other Agencies due to the implementation of Workday and new expense codes being created in Professional/Specialized Services
- \$985,354 Increase in Interfund Expenditures for Professional Specialized Services due to the implementation of Workday, which includes Health and Human Services Administration allocation, Conservator services for Yuba County, audit expenses, and the overhead cost plan
- \$327,120 Increase in State Offset to Managed Care revenues due to higher Fee-for-Service (FFS) inpatient care costs and an increase in State Hospital expenditures

Revenues

- (\$1,471,013) Decrease in state Miscellaneous Revenues due to the completion of several grants in FY 2024-25, including BHCIP, CCMU, and CYBHI
- (\$9,975,191) Decrease in Federal Miscellaneous Revenues due to the implementation of payment reform and how Medi-Cal revenue is received and recognized
- (\$467,605) Decrease in Charges for Services due to inpatient and outpatient revenue and position reductions
- \$17,637,728 Increase in Operating Transfer In due to the implementation of payment reform and how Medi-Cal revenue is received and recognized and the increased use of multiple special revenue funds

Other Financing Sources

- (\$266,690) Decrease in Cancellation of Fund Balance

Recommended Budget

Total appropriations are recommended at \$49,432,527, an increase of \$5,318,528 (12.1%) compared to the FY 2024-25 Adopted Budget. 1991 realignment and 2011 realignment funds approximately \$17,976,190 (36.4%) of total funding, while Medi-Cal revenue contributes \$18,361,981 (37.1%), supporting essential behavioral health services. Behavioral Health is supported by a variety of grants and funding sources, contributing a total of \$9,919,551 (20.1%) of the overall budget. An additional \$1,500,000 (3%) is provided through a proposed Social Services Realignment Transfer. The remaining \$1,674,805 (3.4%) represents the total budgeted

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use of fund balance for FY 2025–26.

It is important to note that the Behavioral Health Fund is not supported by the County General Fund in either Sutter or Yuba Counties.

The following Capital Assets are recommended to be effective July 1, 2025:

- \$20,000 increase for Capital Assets – Structure and Improvement to create office space for new programs including Care Court and Behavioral Health Bridge Housing employees
- \$6,700 increase for Capital Assets – Equipment for Wi-Fi to be installed at 545 Garden Hwy Suite A Holly Oak Center for First Steps

The following position changes are recommended to be effective July 1, 2025:

- Addition of 1.0 FTE Accountant II
- Deletion of 1.0 FTE Accounting Technician I
- Addition of 1.0 FTE Intervention Counselor II
- Addition of 0.50 FTE Intervention Counselor transferred from Mental Health Services (CC4104)
- Addition of 0.50 FTE Resource Specialist transferred from Mental Health Services (CC4104)
- Addition of 0.20 FTE Program Manager-Clinical Services transferred from Mental Health Services (CC4104)
- Deletion of 0.25 FTE Prevention Services transferred to Homeless Services (CC4121)
- Deletion of 0.12 FTE Program Manager Community Services transferred to Homeless Services (CC4121)

Use of Fund Balance

The Behavioral Health Fund includes an estimated Restricted Fund Balance in the amount of \$4,574,560 as of July 1, 2024. It is estimated that this balance will be \$6,669,929 as of July 1, 2025. This projected balance represents a restricted fund reserve of 13.5% of Sutter Yuba Behavioral Health recommended FY 2025-26 operating expenses. A decrease of \$1,674,805 in the restricted fund balance is recommended for FY 2025-26.

Funding for this cost center includes a proposed transfer of \$1,500,000 from Sutter County Social Services realignment to Sutter-Yuba Behavioral Health. As Behavioral Health service costs to both counties continue to rise, staff is actively collaborating with Yuba County to ensure equitable funding and service distribution.

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Mental Health Services Act (CC4104)

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Executive Summary					
Fund:	FD0008 - Mental Health Services Act				
Cost Center Name:	Mental Health Services Act - MHSA			Cost Center: CC4104	
	2023-24 Actuals	2024-25 Actuals YTD	2024-25 Adopted Budget	2025-26 CAO Recommended Budget	% Change
Expenditures					
Salaries and Employee Benefits	5,647,415	5,115,757	7,172,680	6,225,181	-13.21%
Services and Supplies	7,105,070	4,979,120	8,696,321	7,071,240	-18.69%
Other Charges	6,947,373	188,144	2,963,760	2,843,901	-4.04%
Capital Assets - Expenditures	151,589	36,342	395,700	367,500	-7.13%
Transfers Out (Nonreciprocal)	3,191	28,064	66,951	35,144	-47.51%
Total Expenditures	19,854,639	10,347,427	19,295,412	16,542,966	-14.26%
Revenues					
Revenue from Investment and Property	432,980	0	90,000	0	-100.00%
Intergovernmental Revenues	18,028,919	16,382,173	15,761,406	13,306,222	-15.58%
Charges for Services	106,920	3,204	127,385	73,500	-42.30%
Miscellaneous Revenues	11,833	6,359	0	0	0.00%
Long-Term Debt Proceeds	99,026	0	0	0	0.00%
Transfers In (Nonreciprocal)	1,432,332	0	8,550	2,555,750	29,791.81%
Budgetary - Revenue	0	0	3,308,071	607,494	-81.64%
Total Revenues	20,112,011	16,391,736	19,295,412	16,542,966	-14.26%
Unreimbursed Costs	-257,372	-6,044,309	0	00	0.00%
Allocated Positions	60.78	0.00	60.78	56.45	-7.12%

Budget detail can be found on page SE-10 of the Schedules Section.

Program Description

The Mental Health Services Act (MHSA), also known as Proposition 63, was passed by voters in November 2004, and updated and renamed to Behavioral Health Services Act (BHSA) by Proposition 1 approved by voters in March of 2024. Since Sutter County operates a bi-county behavioral health system, funds for Sutter and Yuba Counties are allocated to SYBH.

Prior to Proposition 1 being passed, MHSA had five components:

- Community Services and Support
- Prevention & Early Intervention
- Innovation
- Capital Facilities and Technological Needs
- Workforce Education and Training

Beginning in FY 2022-23 Behavioral Health services were accounted for in two separate cost centers with traditional mental health services in CC4102 and MHSA specific services in the MHSA CC4104. In FY 2018-19, both funding streams (Realignment & MHSA) were combined

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into the Behavioral Health (CC4102). The bifurcation of these two cost centers allows for operational efficiencies and mitigates the potential for comingling of restricted funds.

Proposition 1 will make substantial changes to the funding streams from MHSA, redirecting funding to new populations, redefining funding categories, and including treatment for individuals with standalone substance use disorders (SUDs). This initiative, promoted by the governor and state legislators, diverts significant funds from local uses to the state and to housing. County allocations (90% of total BHSA funds) are required to be spent in the following priorities:

- 30% for Housing Interventions
- 35% for Full-Service Partnership (FSP) programs
- 35% for Behavioral Health Services and Supports

This change will result in reduced BHSA revenues, and as a result, local services, in current and future years. In anticipation of these funding decreases, SYBH began making reductions to program and contracts that were known to be at risk in FY 2024-25. This will continue in FY 2025-26 in preparation of full implementation of the BHSA budget in FY 2026-27.

Accomplishments and Goals

FY 2024-25 Accomplishments

- Provided high quality mental health services to 4,957 community members (2,657 Sutter County and 2,300 Yuba County) in FY 2023-24
- Developed a bi-county school suicide postvention workgroup in collaboration with Sutter County Superintendent of Schools and Yuba County Office of Education
- Hosted second annual Bridging Hope, SYBH's suicide awareness and prevention walk with 300+ registered participants and 62 high school volunteers
- Completed implementation of Adult Services branch Full-Service Partnership (FSP) redesign
- The FSP programs joined the Third Sector County Collaborative in order to increase the quality of their services and ensure that they will align with new BHSA requirements
- The iCARE evaluation was in process this year with final report expected by the end of FY 2024-25. This will include a newly developed evidenced-based consumer satisfaction tool
- Continued ongoing implementation of billing processes in alignment with DHCS's July 2023 payment reform
- Continue WRAP training for consumers and staff members as part of the effort to increase and strengthen a recovery culture amongst both consumers and staff

FY 2025-26 Goals

- Develop a new three-year plan which reflects BHSA required changes. Identify and implement new BHSA outcome data and other data requirements.
- Implement a Medi-Cal billing dashboard to allow for ongoing tracking and data driven decision making to maximize Medi-Cal reimbursement under the Behavioral Health payment reform model
- Implement training recommendations from Third Sector to ensure that FSP programs are providing services in line with BHSA requirements

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- Ensure that all peer partners are certified and increase billing for Wellness Center and Youth FSP services which use peer partners as part of the service delivery system

Major Budget Changes

Salaries & Benefits

- (947,499) Decrease in staffing costs due to increased salary savings factor as a result of historical vacancies and the freezing of approximately 8 positions for one full year as a budget strategy while the impacts of Proposition 1 (BHSA) implementation are assessed

Services and Supplies

- (\$350,396) Decrease in Software License and Maintenance costs due to Workday implementation and the change of expense categories to Professional/Specialized Services
- (\$250,500) Decrease in Building Maintenance and Improvement costs due to the completion of Psychiatric Health Facility (PHF) improvements in FY 2024-25
- (\$615,841) Decrease in Professional/Specialized services due to the cancellation or budget reduction of multiple contracted services in preparation for the implementation of BHSA
- (\$395,503) Decrease in Special Department Expenses due to the cancellation of multiple contracts including CalMHSA Mini grants, Sutter County Museum exhibit completion and other associated programs

Other Charges

- (\$119,859) Decrease in Interfund Transfer of Behavioral Health Admin costs to MHSA programs

Revenues

- (\$90,000) Decrease in Investment Earnings due to uncertainty of revenue
- (\$88,434) Decrease in State – Health Programs-Aid for Mental Health based on BHSA projections on state tax collections
- (\$2,328,750) Decrease in Federal Misc. Revenue due to the implementation of payment reform and how Medi-Cal revenue is received and recognized as a transfer in
- (\$103,885) Decrease in Charges for Services due to inpatient and outpatient revenue and position reductions
- \$2,547,200 Increase in Operating Transfer in due to the implementation of payment reform and how Medi-Cal revenue is received and recognized

Other Financing Sources

- (\$2,700,577) Decrease in Cancellation of Obligated Fund Balance

Recommended Budget

Total appropriations are recommended at \$16,542,966, a decrease of \$2,752,446 (-14.3%) compared to the FY 2024-25 Adopted Budget. MHSA funds account for approximately \$13,306,222 (80.4%) of total funding, while Medi-Cal revenue contributes \$2,555,750 (15.5%), supporting essential mental health services. The remaining \$680,994 (4.1%) of revenue comes from various funding sources, including insurance and medical fee payments, rollover Evidence-Based Practice and Community-Defined Evidence Practice (EDP-CDEP) grant funds.

It is important to note that the Mental Health Services Act Fund is not supported by the County General Fund in either Sutter or Yuba Counties.

The following Capital Assets are recommended to be effective July 1, 2025:

- \$354,000 to reallocate renovation and enhancement of county occupied building to improve the overall experience for both clients and employees. This renovation includes remediation, fresh paint, new flooring, IT connections, and furniture to create a functional and modern office space at 807/809 Plumas St.
- \$13,500 to create office space for new programs including Care Court and Behavioral Health Bridge Housing Employees at 1965 Live Oak Blvd.

The following positions changes are recommended to be effective July 1, 2025:

- Deletion of 1.00 FTE Prevention Services Coordinator transferred to Jail Medical (CC4134)
- Deletion of 0.50 FTE Intervention Counselor transferred to Behavioral Health (CC4102)
- Deletion of 0.50 FTE Resource Specialist transferred to Behavioral Health (CC4102)
- Deletion of 0.25 FTE Prevention Services transferred to Homeless Services (CC4121)
- Deletion of 0.20 FTE Program Manager Clinical Services transferred to Behavioral Health (CC4102)
- Deletion of 0.13 FTE Program Manager Community Services transferred to Homeless Services (CC4121)

Use of Fund Balance

The Mental Health Services Act Fund includes an estimated Restricted Fund Balance in the amount of \$7,068,252 as of July 1, 2024. This amount includes the statutorily required Prudent Reserve amount of \$521,836 that allows counties to “smooth” the effects of year-over-year variations in revenues. It is estimated that this balance will be \$7,472,231 as of July 1, 2025. A decrease of \$607,494 in the restricted fund balance is recommended for FY 2025-26.

Health and Human Services Drug Medi-Cal IGT (CC4122)

Sarah Eberhardt-Rios, Director

Executive Summary					
Fund: FD0007 - Bi County Behavioral Health					
Cost Center Name: Drug Medi-Cal (DMC) IGT			Cost Center: CC4122		
	2023-24 Actuals	2024-25 Actuals YTD	2024-25 Adopted Budget	2025-26 CAO Recommended Budget	% Change
Expenditures					
Transfers Out (Nonreciprocal)	0	0	0	921,150	0.00%
Budgetary - Expenditure	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Total Expenditures	0	0	0	921,150	0.00%
Revenues					
Intergovernmental Revenues	0	1,102,604	0	921,150	0.00%
Total Revenues	0	1,102,604	0	921,150	0.00%
Unreimbursed Costs	0	-1,102,604	0	0	0.00%
Allocated Positions	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%

Budget detail can be found on page SE-15 of the Schedules Section.

Purpose / Program Description

Through the California Advancing and Innovating Medi-Cal (CalAIM) Act, the state of California fundamentally changed the way County Behavioral Health services are financed. To receive Federal Financial Participation (FFP) funding under the payment reform process, counties must transfer local funds Behavioral Health Realignment and Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) to the California Department of Healthcare Services (DHCS) sufficient to cover the County Share of all approved service payments concurrent to when those service claims are approved by DHCS and the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS). This is referred to as Intergovernmental Transfer (IGT). Once DHCS reconciles claims, SYBH is reimbursed for both the local funds and the State and Federal matching funds.

Recommended Budget

Total appropriations are recommended at \$921,150. There is no comparison from the prior year due to this being the first year that this cost center is being established.

Use of Fund Balance

This cost center is within the Behavioral Health Fund. The fund balance consists of patient care revenue that will be used to support the operating costs of Behavioral Health (CC4102).

Health and Human Services Specialty Mental Health Services IGT (CC4123)

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Executive Summary					
Fund:	FD0007 - Bi County Behavioral Health				
Cost Center Name:	Specialty Mental Health Services (SMHS) IGT			Cost Center: CC4123	
	2023-24 Actuals	2024-25 Actuals YTD	2024-25 Adopted Budget	2025-26 CAO Recommended Budget	% Change
Expenditures					
Other Charges	0	1,218	0	0	0.00%
Transfers Out (Nonreciprocal)	0	0	0	19,996,581	0.00%
Total Expenditures	0	1,218	0	19,996,581	0.00%
Revenues					
Intergovernmental Revenues	0	6,857,254	0	19,996,581	0.00%
Total Revenues	0	6,857,254	0	19,996,581	0.00%
Unreimbursed Costs	0	-6,856,036	0	0	0.00%
Allocated Positions	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%

Budget detail can be found on page SE-16 of the Schedules Section.

Purpose / Program Description

Through the California Advancing and Innovating Medi-Cal (CalAIM) Act, the state of California fundamentally changed the way County Behavioral Health services are financed. To receive Federal Financial Participation (FFP) funding under the payment reform process, counties must transfer local funds Behavioral Health Realignment and Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) to the California Department of Healthcare Services (DHCS) sufficient to cover the County Share of all approved service payments concurrent to when those service claims are approved by DHCS and the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS). This is referred to as Intergovernmental Transfer (IGT). Once DHCS reconciles claims, SYBH is reimbursed for both the local funds and the State and Federal matching funds.

Recommended Budget

Total appropriations are recommended at \$19,996,581. There is no comparison from the prior year due to this being the first year that this cost center is being established.

Use of Fund Balance

This cost center is within the Behavioral Health Fund. The fund balance consists of patient care revenue that will be used to support the operating costs of Behavioral Health (CC4102) and Mental Health Services Act (CC4104).

Health and Human Services Public Health (CC4103)

Sarah Eberhardt-Rios, Director

Executive Summary					
Fund:	FD0012 - Health				
Cost Center Name:	County Health		Cost Center: CC4103		
	2023-24 Actuals	2024-25 Actuals YTD	2024-25 Adopted Budget	2025-26 CAO Recommended Budget	% Change
Expenditures					
Salaries and Employee Benefits	6,361,661	5,665,972	8,046,979	7,069,462	-12.15%
Services and Supplies	1,829,901	901,441	2,564,210	2,155,001	-15.96%
Other Charges	515,547	50	494,812	759,349	53.46%
Capital Assets - Expenditures	37,412	51,138	71,000	0	-100.00%
Intrafund Transfers	324,646	0	374,690	510,118	36.14%
Transfers Out (Nonreciprocal)	247,499	1,775	171,133	172,167	0.60%
Total Expenditures	9,316,666	6,620,376	11,722,824	10,666,097	-9.01%
Revenues					
Revenue from Investment and Property	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Intergovernmental Revenues	6,605,681	3,629,113	8,484,628	5,660,298	-33.29%
Charges for Services	94,754	43,309	120,545	119,545	-0.83%
Miscellaneous Revenues	1,613	860	0	0	0.00%
Sale of Capital Assets	648	0	0	0	0.00%
Transfers In (Nonreciprocal)	329,293	0	490,139	675,573	37.83%
Total Revenues	7,031,989	3,673,283	9,095,312	6,455,416	-29.02%
Unreimbursed Costs	2,284,677	2,947,093	2,627,512	4,210,681	60.25%
Allocated Positions	62.10	0.00	62.40	59.90	-4.01%

Budget detail can be found on page SE-17 of the Schedules Section.

Program Description

Public Health services and programs are dedicated to promoting, protecting, and improving the health of Sutter County residents. The goal of Public Health is to optimize the health and well-being of the people in Sutter County, primarily through population-based programs, strategies, and initiatives.

Historically, the top priorities of the Public Health Branch within the Health and Human Services Department have included communicable disease control and child health programs. In recent years the priorities have included the provision of a number of special programs for community and individual wellness and improvement of lifestyle, with the goal of reducing chronic disease burden and addressing the social determinants of health. This branch is also responsible for preparing for and responding to public health emergencies, including natural disasters, acts of terrorism, and pandemic diseases.

Accomplishments/Initiatives and Goals:

Major Initiatives

- Continue to expand partnerships and collaborations with other HHS Branches, County Departments and community partners
 - Provide vaccinations to the community, including flu and childhood vaccinations
 - Expand outreach and education to the community
 - Continue collaboration with community partners to accomplish objectives and strategies outlined in each of the three Sutter County Community Health Improvement Plan health priorities (addressing homelessness, building resilient communities, and reducing sexually transmitted infections)
- Accreditation
 - Measure Public Health performance against a set of nationally recognized, practice-focused and evidenced-based standards

FY 2024-25 Accomplishments

- Immunizations: 1,554 vaccine doses administered to 816 individuals
- Communicable Disease staff investigated 4,294 communicable disease cases, with 795 cases requiring case management
- Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) program served 5,149 persons, with an average of 3,426 persons served each month, representing 98% of the WIC caseload
- Health Education and Promotion programs provided direct education, outreach and services to 17,376 community members
- Public Health staff provided on-going home visiting services to 52 families

FY 2025-26 Goals

- Ensure alignment with Public Health Foundational Capabilities to achieve Pathways Recognition by the Public Health Accreditation Board, including the standardization of program data collection and the development of public health program metrics
- Continue to collaborate with community and county partners to accomplish the strategies outlined in the Sutter County Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP)
- Finalize policies and procedures for natural disaster preparedness, specifically for med/health focus areas and hold tabletop exercises to ensure public health staff readiness
- Ensure grants include appropriate administrative supports for program design requirements
- Continue to explore additional revenue options for Public Health activities, including CalAIM Enhanced Care Management and Community Services, expanded claiming under County-Based Medi-Cal administrative Activities (CMAA) Program and continuing to seek out grant funding to support Public Health activities and programs

Major Changes

Salaries & Benefits

- \$115,701 Increase due to addition of 1.0 FTE Health Program Specialist I/II flex position

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- (\$83,568) Decrease due to deletion of 1.0 FTE Medical Clerk II position
- (\$87,292) Transfer out of 0.5 FTE Staff Nurse position to Jail Medical Services (CC4134)
- (\$922,358) Decrease in overall salaries and benefits due to a decrease in grant funds available to support salaries and benefits, as well as, anticipated salary savings from vacant unfilled positions

Services & Supplies

- (\$745,324) Decrease in various Services and Supplies appropriations because of decreased funding available due to grants ending or depleting
- \$224,229 Increase in Internal Service Fund (ISF) for Services and Supplies
- \$29,157 Increase in General Supplies, Transportation and Travel due to grant funding
- \$12,000 Increase in Utilities due to rate increase
- \$18,100 Increase in Memberships for grant funded memberships
- \$33,843 Increase in Software License and Maintenance due to increased Relias licenses and Workday support
- \$11,974 Increase in Maintenance and Repairs Equipment primarily due to Med9 Equipment maintenance for emergency response

Other Charges

- \$264,537 Increase in Cost Plan charges as provided by the annual Cost Plan, as well as increases in various ISF charges for county services

Capital Assets

- (\$71,000) Decrease in Capital Assets due to fewer capitalizable projects/assets requested

Intrafund Transfers

- \$135,428 Increase in Intrafund Administration Services for HHS Administration

Revenues

- (\$223,625) Decrease in revenue from Workforce Development grant ending
- (\$275,536) Decrease in revenue from CYSHCN Cal-InSPIRE grant ending
- (\$600,000) Decrease in revenue from Healthy Brain Initiative (HBI) grant ending
- (\$135,027) Decrease in revenue from WFD Disease Intervention Specialist grant ending
- (\$20,000) Decrease in revenue from ELC Enhancing grant ending
- (\$1,056,017) Decrease in revenue from ELC Expansion grant ending
- (\$878,000) Decrease in revenue from Immunization Rounds 2-4 grants ending
- (\$75,095) Decrease in revenue from CERI Health Equity grant ending
- \$181,344 Increase in Women, Infant, Children (WIC) funding due to new contract increase
- \$219,858 Increase in HCPCFC grant funding for new admin allocation

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- \$195,434 Increase primarily due to a transfer in of CMAA/TCM (SRF 0-211) revenue to offset Public Health expenditures

Recommended Budget

Total appropriations are recommended at \$10,666,097, a decrease of \$1,056,727 (-9.0%) from the FY 2024-25 Adopted Budget. The decrease in appropriations is due to less grant funding available. The General Fund (including 1991 Health Realignment) provides \$4,069,743 approximately 38.2% of the funding for the Public Health cost center, which is an increase of \$1,741,407 (74.8%) compared to the FY 2024-25 Adopted Budget. The level of spending may fluctuate as the needs for services change, and as the availability of grant funds varies over multiple years. As additional grant funding is reviewed, expenses will be evaluated to build more savings for the General Fund.

The County has a required contribution of \$674,240 to satisfy the County's Health Realignment required match. The County's contribution is reflected in the Health Care General cost center (CC4110) and the Health-County Share cost center (CC4112). The balance of cost for the Health cost center is covered by 1991 Health Realignment revenue and grant funds.

The following position changes are recommended to be effective July 1, 2025:

- Addition of 1.0 FTE Health Program Specialist I/II Flex position
- Deletion of 1.0 FTE Medical Clerk II position
- Transfer out 0.5 FTE Staff Nurse position to Jail Medical Services (CC4134)

Use of Fund Balance

This cost center is within the Health Fund. This budget does not include the use of any specific fund balance.

Health and Human Services Jail Medical Services (CC4134)

Sarah Eberhardt-Rios, Director

Executive Summary					
Fund:	FD0012 - Health				
Cost Center Name:	Jail Medical Services			Cost Center: CC4134	
	2023-24 Actuals	2024-25 Actuals YTD	2024-25 Adopted Budget	2025-26 CAO Recommended Budget	% Change
Expenditures					
Salaries and Employee Benefits	215,455	607,065	1,088,023	1,088,393	0.03%
Services and Supplies	3,821,684	3,592,744	5,977,485	5,127,494	-14.22%
Other Charges	6,528	6,494	25,000	36,641	46.56%
Capital Assets - Expenditures	0	0	500,000	0	-100.00%
Transfers Out (Nonreciprocal)	108,046	0	1,875	4,962	164.64%
Total Expenditures	4,151,712	4,206,303	7,592,383	6,257,490	-17.58%
Revenues					
Fines, Forfeitures, and Penalties	891	93	2,000	2,000	0.00%
Revenue from Investment and Property	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Intergovernmental Revenues	21,000	0	20,512	0	-100.00%
Transfers In (Nonreciprocal)	774,497	216,158	3,958,251	2,404,895	-39.24%
Total Revenues	796,387	216,251	3,980,763	2,406,895	-39.54%
Unreimbursed Costs	3,355,325	3,990,052	3,611,620	3,850,595	6.62%
Allocated Positions	3.00	0.00	5.00	6.50	30.00%

Budget detail can be found on page SE-22 of the Schedules Section.

Program Description

The Jail Medical Services program is administered by the Sutter County Health and Human Services – Public Health Branch through oversight of a contract with Wellpath (formerly California Forensic Medical Group). Contracted services include 24/7 nursing and psychiatry coverage; sick-call coverage by Physicians and/or Mid-Level Providers; medical supplies including pharmaceuticals; referrals to emergency room care and inpatient hospital care, medical specialty providers, and dental care.

Jail medical services are provided to inmates in conformance with an Amended Settlement Agreement the County entered in 1994 with the United States District Court for the Eastern District of California, and in accordance with the minimum standards of the California Board of Corrections and Title 15 of the California Code of Regulations.

The jail census continues to be impacted by Proposition 47, AB 109, and the passage of Proposition 36 in November of 2024, all of which made significant changes to the sentencing requirements increasing the demand for jail medical services. In addition, the complexity of inmate health, mental health, and substance use disorders result in high utilization of inpatient hospital days, emergency room visits, and pharmaceutical costs. Specialty medical services such as kidney dialysis, orthopedic surgeries, and high

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medication costs associated with HIV infections, diabetes, as well as liver and kidney diseases have jointly contributed to an increase in medical supply costs and expenses related to the support and care of inmates.

In FY 2023-24, Sutter County accepted the California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) Providing Access and Transforming Health Supports (PATH) Justice-Involved Round 2 funding in the amount of \$566,110 and PATH Justice-Involved Round 3 funding in the amount of \$2,923,844 for a total of \$3,489,954.

PATH funding addresses gaps in local health care capacity and infrastructure under Medi-Cal across the state and enables local providers to scale up health care services provided to Medi-Cal beneficiaries, to include those in correctional settings. California statute (AB-133 Health; Chapter 143, Statutes 2021) mandated all counties to begin planning and implementation of pre-release Medi-Cal enrollment processes by January 1, 2023 within county jails and youth correctional facilities.

FY 2025-26 Goals

- Work in conjunction with other Health and Human Services Branches, Sheriff's Office, and Probation Department to implement the CalAIM Justice-involved initiative, including the expansion of eligible Medi-Cal billing for 90-day clinical pre-release services

Major Budget Changes

Salaries & Benefits

- \$252,025 Increase due to the transfer of 1.0 FTE Prevention Services Coordinator from Mental Health (CC4104) and 0.5 FTE Staff Nurse from Public Health (CC4103)
- (\$252,395) Decrease in Extra Hire, Special Pay, and Other Pay due to positions being transferred and no longer direct charging, as well as limited funding available

Services and Supplies

- (\$849,991) Decrease primarily within Professional/Specialized Services for PATH related/funded contracts/services as funding is anticipated to be spent over multiple years, and the appropriations are no longer needed at one time

Other Charges

- \$11,641 Increase primarily due to Overhead Cost Plan charges added

Capital Assets

- (\$500,000) Decrease in Capital Assets appropriations due to Medi-Cal Records/Billing Software that will no longer be purchased, but rather contracted for with PATH Round 3 funding

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Revenues

- (\$1,573,868) Decrease in Revenues is primarily due to Providing Access and Transforming Health Supports (PATH) Grant Round 2 and 3 funding being utilized over multiple years and not transferred at once

Recommended Budget

Total appropriations are recommended at \$6,257,490, a decrease of \$1,334,893 (-17.6%) from the FY 2024-25 Adopted Budget. Decreases are due to approximately \$1.3 million in appropriations no longer needed due to PATH Justice-involved Round 2 and 3 grants funding expected to be spent over multiple years and not at once. The Net County Cost increased by \$238,975 (6.6%) compared to the FY 2024-25 Adopted Budget.

The following positions are recommended as of July 1, 2025:

- Transfer in of 1.0 FTE Prevention Services Coordinator position from Mental Health (CC4104)
- Transfer in of 0.5 FTE Staff Nurse position from Public Health (CC4103)

Use of Fund Balance

This cost center is within the Health Fund. The budget is using a cancellation of fund balance transferred in from Special Revenue Fund Public Health (FD1005) cost centers Senate Bill 910 Medi-Cal (CC0211) in the amount of \$108,000 and Jail Medical Path (CC0235) in the amount of \$888,707.

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Executive Summary					
Fund:	FD0012 - Health				
Cost Center Name:	Non-County Providers			Cost Center: CC4201	
	2023-24 Actuals	2024-25 Actuals YTD	2024-25 Adopted Budget	2025-26 CAO Recommended Budget	% Change
Expenditures					
Services and Supplies	30,349	25,940	30,400	30,400	0.00%
Other Charges	355,437	65,098	727,734	724,501	-0.44%
Total Expenditures	385,786	91,038	758,134	754,901	-0.43%
Revenues					
Revenue from Investment and Property	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Miscellaneous Revenues	3,940	3,940	4,000	4,000	0.00%
Transfers In (Nonreciprocal)	77,608	0	77,608	77,608	0.00%
Total Revenues	81,548	3,940	81,608	81,608	0.00%
Unreimbursed Costs	304,238	87,098	676,526	673,293	-0.48%
Allocated Positions	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%

Budget detail can be found on page SE-25 of the Schedules Section.

Purpose / Program Description

Public Health Branch administers this cost center, which includes the County's share of the cost of health programs that are provided to County residents by County Departments outside of the Health Fund or by health-related non-County agencies.

Emergency Medical Services

This program appropriates Sutter County's cost for participation in the Joint Powers Agreement for the Sierra Sacramento Valley Emergency Medical Services (S-SV EMS) Agency. S-SV EMS is a ten-county Joint Powers Agency that is designated as the local EMS agency for Butte, Colusa, Glenn, Nevada, Placer, Shasta, Siskiyou, Sutter, Tehama, and Yuba Counties under the authority of the Government Code, State of California (§6500, et seq.).

Sutter County's share in the EMS Agency is based on the per capita population rate of forty-two cents (\$0.42), plus a \$10,000 base, for a total of \$52,541. The calculated cost for participation in this joint powers agreement is based on California State Department of Finance projections for the population of Sutter County. A portion of this fee is offset by the use of Emergency Medical Services Fund.

County Medical Services Program

Sutter County participates in the County Medical Services Program (CMSP) through an agreement established in 1983 between the County and Governing Board of the CMSP to fulfill the Welfare and Institutions Code §17000 requirement that counties provide healthcare to indigent adults. CMSP provides limited-term health coverage for uninsured low-income, indigent adults that are not otherwise

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eligible for other publicly funded health programs, in 35 rural and semi-rural counties. CMSP and its authority are established in California Welfare and Institutions Code §16809 et seq.

This budget contains the CMSP Participation Fee of \$188,781, an amount set by legislation for the County to participate in the CMSP. This participation fee was not eliminated with Health Realignment and AB 85. However, each year from FY 2014-15 through FY 2023-24, actual expenses decreased by \$188,781 due to a waiver of the CMSP Participation Fee. This fee will be waived in FY 2024-25, but it is unknown whether this waiver will occur in future years.

Environmental Health

In FY 1993-94, the Board of Supervisors transferred Environmental Health Services from Public Health to the Development Services Department (Community Services at that time). Since that time, the unreimbursed cost of the Environmental Health program has been reflected in the Non-County Providers cost center. Therefore, this cost center includes an amount to be transferred to the Environmental Health (CC2725) cost center, a division of the Development Services Department.

Major Budget Changes

Other Charges

- (\$3,233) Decrease in IF Environmental Health as the budgeted transfer is projected to be less in FY 2025-26, based on the decrease in actuals in recent years

Recommended Budget

Total appropriations are recommended at \$754,901, a decrease of \$3,233 (-0.43%) compared to the FY 2024-25 Adopted Budget. Net County Cost is decreased by \$3,233 (-0.48%) compared to the FY 2024-25 Adopted Budget.

The County is currently in a multi-year contract with Bi-County Ambulance Services for indigent medical transportation. The annual cost for these services is \$26,400. The County share for participation in the EMS Agency is recommended at \$52,541. The total budget is partially offset with a transfer in from the Emergency Medical Services Special Revenue (CC0252), in the amount of \$77,608. This budget continues to reflect the CMSP Participation Fee of \$188,781, asset by statute, for the County to participate in the CMSP.

Use of Fund Balance

This cost center is within the Health Fund. The budget does not include the use of any specific fund balance.

Health and Human Services California Children's Services (CC4301)

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Executive Summary					
Fund:	FD0012 - Health				
Cost Center Name:	California Children Services			Cost Center: CC4301	
	2023-24 Actuals	2024-25 Actuals YTD	2024-25 Adopted Budget	2025-26 CAO Recommended Budget	% Change
Expenditures					
Salaries and Employee Benefits	0	39	0	0	0.00%
Other Charges	22,782	43,441	200,000	175,000	-12.50%
Total Expenditures	22,782	43,480	200,000	175,000	-12.50%
Revenues					
Revenue from Investment and Property	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Intergovernmental Revenues	1,151	5,957	0	0	0.00%
Transfers In (Nonreciprocal)	141,150	0	141,150	141,150	0.00%
Total Revenues	142,301	5,957	141,150	141,150	0.00%
Unreimbursed Costs	-119,519	37,523	58,850	33,850	-42.48%
Allocated Positions	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%

Budget detail can be found on page SE-26 of the Schedules Section.

Mission / Program Description

The California Children's Services (CCS) Program is a State-mandated program under California Health and Safety Code, Sections 123800-123995, and has been in continuous operation since it was established in 1927 by the State Legislature. CCS is a statewide tax-supported program of specialized medical care and rehabilitation for eligible children. The program is administered as a partnership between county health departments and the California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS). The CCS Program provides diagnostic and treatment services, medical case management, and physical and occupational therapy services to children under the age of 21 with a CCS-eligible medical condition for which families cannot afford, wholly or in part, to pay. Examples of CCS-eligible conditions include, but are not limited to, chronic medical conditions such as cystic fibrosis, hemophilia, cerebral palsy, heart disease, cancer, traumatic injuries, and infectious diseases producing major sequelae.

DHCS, Sutter County professional medical staff, and Medi-Cal Managed Care Plans work in partnership to manage the caseload of children enrolled in this program.

CCS and Managed Care

CCS caseloads and program costs have steadily increased over time. This increase places demands both on the service delivery side and on the financing of the program. As fiscal pressures have increased on the California State Budget, the State CCS program continues to limit the state's financial participation in the program, which is further de-stabilizing the program. Overall, the

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CCS program managed an average caseload of 810 clients per month in FY 2024-25, with an average of 60 children in the Medical Therapy program per month.

Senate Bill 586 authorized DHCS to establish the Whole Child Model (WCM) program in designated counties to incorporate California Children's Services (CCS) program covered services for Medi-Cal eligible CCS children and youth into a Medi-Cal managed care plan (MCP) contract. Effective January 1, 2025, Assembly Bill 118 authorized DHCS to expand the WCM program for Medi-Cal eligible CCS children and youth enrolled in a MCP in 12 additional counties, including Sutter County.

Major Budget Changes

Other Charges

- (\$25,000) Decrease in Other Charges as the CCS program payments to DHCS have decreased in recent years

Recommended Budget

Total appropriations are recommended at \$175,000, a decrease of \$25,000 (-12.5%) from the FY 2024-25 Adopted Budget. The Net County Cost of \$33,850, also decreased by \$25,000 (-42.48%) from FY 2024-25 Adopted Budget. For several years, a \$141,150 transfer from Welfare and Social Services 1991 Realignment (CC0248) has helped offset costs, reducing the General Fund impact to 19% of this cost center. Welfare and Social Services 1991 Realignment is discussed in greater detail in the budget narrative for that fund (FD1014).

At this time, the State has not determined the amount of its contribution to the Sutter County CCS Program for FY 2025-26. As a policy item, the County has budgeted an amount in excess of the county share of cost in order to meet the potential demand for services, which can be very volatile. The budget recommendation is consistent with the Board of Supervisors past policy in this area. However, the Board could opt to reduce this budget request to the minimum county share of cost of \$154,465, to match a potential reduced State contribution. At this time, it is not known whether the State contribution would match the amount appropriated.

Use of Fund Balance

This cost center is within the Health Fund. The budget does not include the use of any specific fund balance.

Health and Human Services Homeless Services (CC4121)

Sarah Eberhardt-Rios, Director

Executive Summary					
Fund:	FD0012 - Health				
Cost Center Name:	Homeless Services		Cost Center: CC4121		
	2023-24 Actuals	2024-25 Actuals YTD	2024-25 Adopted Budget	2025-26 CAO Recommended Budget	% Change
Expenditures					
Salaries and Employee Benefits	1,114,415	1,153,760	1,882,845	1,456,234	-22.66%
Services and Supplies	651,115	575,366	2,702,875	1,981,901	-26.67%
Other Charges	264,193	137,316	1,790,459	1,576,073	-11.97%
Capital Assets - Expenditures	32,460	0	40,000	10,000	-75.00%
Transfers Out (Nonreciprocal)	463	70	8,677	13,641	57.21%
Total Expenditures	2,062,647	1,866,512	6,424,856	5,037,849	-21.59%
Revenues					
Revenue from Investment and Property	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Intergovernmental Revenues	586,557	-115,964	1,480,204	332,245	-77.55%
Transfers In (Nonreciprocal)	247,075	0	3,525,448	3,604,280	2.24%
Total Revenues	833,632	-115,964	5,005,652	3,936,525	-21.36%
Unreimbursed Costs	1,229,015	1,982,476	1,419,204	1,101,324	-22.40%
Allocated Positions	9.85	0.00	10.10	11.10	9.90%

Budget detail can be found on page SE-27 of the Schedules Section.

Mission / Program Statement

Sutter County Health and Human Services (HHS) promotes health, safety, economic stability, and quality of life for our community. The Homeless Services budget accounts for all Homelessness-related services, including operation of the Better Way Emergency Homeless Shelter. Multiple grants fund the increasingly complex Homeless operation, and each grant has unique spending and reporting requirements. A Homeless Funding Sources Special Revenue Fund (CC0260) is set up to manage the multiple funding streams for ongoing operations.

The following operational programs are included in the budget:

- Program 758 - Better Way Emergency Homeless Shelter was first operational in September 2019 as a 40-bed low-barrier, Housing First homeless shelter for Sutter County residents. Sutter County Homeless Services staff provides Case Management and Housing Navigation services to support participants in securing permanent sustainable housing.
- Program 754 - The Oak Haven project is low-income, subsidized permanent housing consisting of eight two-bedroom units within the City of Live Oak. Habitat for Humanity constructed the site, Oak Haven houses formerly homeless individuals, including those with mild to moderate mental illness. Health and Human Services funds rental subsidies for two units within the

project. The Senate Bill 2 Permanent Local Housing Allocation (SB2 PLHA) of \$689,000 over 5 years funds rental subsidies for the project.

- Program 762 - Harmony Village is a 62-unit permanent supportive housing project for low-income individuals, with priority going to veterans, disabled and the elderly. Sutter County and Habitat for Humanity jointly entered into an agreement with the State for Homekey Program funds to purchase the property and establish Harmony Village. HHS staff provide on-site case management support for individuals not receiving case management services from other providers.
- Program 759 - Homeless Tent/Camping Site at 68 Second Street is the location of a legal overnight homeless campsite.

Applicable FY 2024-25 grants that have been awarded or are in the application process include:

- Homeless Housing and Prevention (HHAP) Grant Round 4. HHAP Round 4 funding was applied for in a joint application with the Sutter Yuba Homeless Consortium (SYHC). The SYHC is the lead agency, and \$404,739 was awarded to Sutter County to support Homeless Services expenditures.
- Homeless Housing and Prevention (HHAP) Grant Round 5. HHAP Round 5 funding was applied for in a joint application with the Sutter Yuba Homeless Consortium (SYHC). The SYHC is the lead agency, and \$576,000 is anticipated to be awarded to Sutter County to support Homeless Services expenditures.
- Program 033 - County Medical Services Program Local Indigent Care Needs (CMSP LICN) funding in the amount of \$1,130,238 (includes prior year rollover funds). This funding is used to provide linkages to housing and services for formerly incarcerated/justice involved individuals and homeless/precariously housed individuals. The CMSP LICN funding components include assessment, supportive services and care coordination, and data tracking and analysis.
- Additional FY 2024-25 grants that may be used for homeless services includes \$20,000 for Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) Cares from the Sutter County Community Action Agency (SCCAA), and \$302,245 (including prior year rollover) in Housing and Disability Advocacy Program (HDAP) funding. The HDAP Program provides advocacy for disability benefits as well as housing supports for those experiencing or at risk of homelessness who are likely eligible for disability benefits.
- California Department of Social Services (CDSS) grant award of \$2,704,078 for the preservation of licensed residential adult and senior care facilities serving applicants or recipients of Supplemental Security Income/State Supplementary Payment (SSI/SSP) or Cash Assistance Program for Immigrants (CAPI), including those who are experiencing or at risk of homelessness, seniors, and persons with disabilities.

- City of Yuba City Permanent Local Housing Allocation (PLHA) funding award of \$135,000 to support the operations of the Better Way Shelter.

FY 2024-25 Accomplishments

- Better Way emergency shelter served 89 individuals and permanently housed 37 of those individuals
- Health and Human Services staff provided case management services to 25 individuals housed at Harmony Village; a Project Homekey funded permanent supportive housing community

FY 2025-26 Goals

- Continue to seek additional federal, state and local funding to support Homeless activities, including Better Way Emergency Shelter operations
- Continue to collaborate with community and County partners to accomplish the objectives and strategies outlined in the Local Homeless Action Plan administered by the Sutter – Yuba Homeless Consortium (SYHC) to address homelessness
- Explore revenue options under CalAIM, including providing Enhanced Care Management and Community Services for homeless clients as a contracted Medi-Cal provider with the Medi-Cal Managed Care Plan and determining the feasibility to bill for additional services under Medi-Cal

Budget Major Changes

Salaries and Benefits

- \$191,218 Increase due to the transfer in of net 1.0 FTE of various positions listed in the recommendation
- (\$617,829) Decrease due to decreased grant allocations available to support salaries and benefits for specific grant activities

Services and Supplies

- (\$720,974) Decrease in various Services and Supplies categories due to a reduction in available grant funds, such as CCE funds (Professional Services) and CMSP LICN grant (Better Way Shelter)

Other Charges

- (\$214,386) Decrease in Other Charges primarily due to decreased appropriations for HHAP funded Support and Care of Persons, as these funds have been appropriated under Services and Supplies to support the Better Way Shelter operations

Health and Human Services Homeless Services (CC4121)

Sarah Eberhardt-Rios, Director

Capital Assets

- (\$30,000) Decrease in Capital Assets primarily due to appropriations no longer needed for projects completed in FY 2024-25

Revenues

- (\$1,069,127) Decrease in revenue due to a reduction in available grant funds (CMSP LICN and CCE Preservation), most Homeless Services funds are received in Homeless Services (FD0260) and transferred to the Homeless Services operating budget (CC4121) to cover actual costs incurred

Recommended Budget

Total appropriations are recommended at \$5,037,849, a decrease of \$1,387,007 (-21.6%) from the FY 2024-25 Adopted Budget based on the reduction of planned one-time expenses due to the reduction of grant funding. Net County Cost decreased by \$317,880 (-22.4%) compared to the FY 2024-25 Adopted Budget. The level of spending may fluctuate as the needs for services change, and as the availability of grant funds varies over multiple years. As additional grant funding is reviewed, expenses will be evaluated to build more savings for the general fund.

The following Capital Asset are recommended as of July 1, 2025:

- \$10,000 new Better Way Shade Structure funded by CMSP LICN Grant

The following positions are recommended as of July 1, 2025:

- 0.25 FTE Health Program Specialist II position transferred from Welfare Administration (CC5101)
- 0.25 FTE Prevention Services Coordinator position transferred from Mental Health Services Act (CC4104)
- 0.25 FTE Prevention Services Coordinator position transferred from Behavioral Health (CC4102)
- 0.13 FTE Program Manager-Community Services position transferred from Mental Health Services Act (CC4104)
- 0.12 FTE Program Manager-Community Services position transferred from Behavioral Health (CC4102)

Use of Fund Balance

This cost center is within the Health Fund. The budget does not include the use of any specific fund balance within the Health Fund.

Health and Human Services Welfare Administration (CC5101)

Sarah Eberhardt-Rios, Director

Executive Summary					
Fund: FD0013 - Welfare/Social Services					
Cost Center Name: Social Services Administration			Cost Center: CC5101		
	2023-24 Actuals	2024-25 Actuals YTD	2024-25 Adopted Budget	2025-26 CAO Recommended Budget	% Change
Expenditures					
Salaries and Employee Benefits	22,973,152	20,124,843	27,124,052	28,882,209	6.48%
Services and Supplies	3,842,417	3,019,282	6,984,145	7,538,830	7.94%
Other Charges	6,802,494	2,092,903	11,039,133	10,498,080	-4.90%
Capital Assets - Expenditures	197,735	171,947	1,277,302	947,635	-25.81%
Transfers Out (Nonreciprocal)	100,134	4,266	3,118,789	3,595,926	15.30%
Total Expenditures	33,915,931	25,413,242	49,543,421	51,462,680	3.87%
Revenues					
Revenue from Investment and Property	101,293	0	0	0	0.00%
Intergovernmental Revenues	26,986,624	0	37,304,415	38,316,002	2.71%
Miscellaneous Revenues	55,330	0	0	0	0.00%
Long-Term Debt Proceeds	86,011	0	0	0	0.00%
Sale of Capital Assets	9,515	6,097	0	0	0.00%
Transfers In (Nonreciprocal)	3,910,618	121,009	6,219,760	6,826,303	9.75%
Budgetary - Revenue	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Total Revenues	31,149,391	127,106	43,524,175	45,142,305	3.72%
Unreimbursed Costs	2,766,540	25,286,136	6,019,246	6,320,375	5.00%
Allocated Positions	249.50	0.00	251.50	258.25	2.68%

Budget detail can be found on page SE-30 of the Schedules Section.

Mission / Program Description

The Welfare and Social Services cost center is operated by the Health and Human Services (HHS) Department, which is organized into six branches: Administration and Finance, Adult Services, Children's Services, Acute Psychiatric Services, Public Health, and Employment and Eligibility. Program responsibilities within the Welfare/Social Services budget include eligibility determination for assistance programs, CalWORKs Employment Services, Child Welfare Services (CWS), Adult Services, and other related activities as mandated by Federal and State law.

This cost center finances personnel and operational costs for a portion of the identified Administration and Finance Branch, Adult Services Branch, Children's Services Branch, and 100% of the Employment and Eligibility Services Branch.

Accomplishments & Goals

FY 2024-25 Accomplishments

Children's Branch

- Progress has been made to relocate CWS to one location to increase effective and efficient services to children and families and provide CWS employees with a space that can promote teamwork via a county owned building. Architectural plans have been drafted along with preliminary steps (moving stored files out of this building) to allow for construction to commence
- Obtained and expended ER enhancement funding to eligible staff which supported in retaining qualified and professional staff including master's level Social Worker IV employees. Vacancy rate has dropped to 12.5% from 17%
- Integrated more "upstream" approaches to increase the level of stability for children/youth at risk of foster care placement. These approaches include the implementation of Differential Response services to deliver preventative support to Sutter County families, without involving Child Welfare Services to include Wraparound Services

Adult Branch

- Provided timely response to an average of 67 Adult Protective Services referrals monthly with an ongoing caseload average of 156 open cases monthly
- Successfully processed 849 IHSS applications
- Successfully recruited and hired 4 vacant Social Worker I/II
- Started the conversion of IHSS from paper files to electronic documentation
- Reorganized APS and IHSS into separate units. Hired 1 FTE Social Worker Supervisor II, 2 FTE Social Worker III's, and 1 FTE Public Health Nurse II for the APS team in order to respond to increased complexity and volume of cases.
- Have engaged a consultant to develop and provide training modules for IHSS Social Workers

Employment and Eligibility (E&E)

- In FY 2024-25, the E&E Services Branch conducted three same day hiring events that led to the recruitment of 33 Program Assistance Specialists (PAS)
- The E&E Services Branch Customer Service Center reduced the "average time to answer" all calls to approximately 14 minutes
- Implementation of the CalWORKs Outcomes and Accountability Review (Cal-OAR) Performance Standards and completion of the CalWORKs County Self-Assessment (Cal-CSA) and CalWORKs System Improvement Plan (Cal-SIP)
- Achieved CalFresh application disposition rate of above 90% for 3-day Expedite CalFresh applications and 30-day processing timeframes

FY 2025-26 Goals

Children's Branch

- Continue to actively work to relocate CWS to one location
- Continue to recruit and retain qualified master's level Social Worker IV employees to reduce vacancy rate
- Update Child Welfare Services 5-year Cal-CSA and Cal-SIP to ensure that service delivery is targeted and efficient
- Continue to explore potential electronic filing services that will be compatible with the implementation of the CARES replacement of CWS/CMS
- Further explore available tools/services to use in family finding efforts that support safety, permanency and wellbeing for dependent youth

Adult Branch

- Enhance the APS Multi-Disciplinary Team (SCAAT) and develop MOUs with partner agencies to increase attendance and accountability for APS clients
- Implement process to address the Quality Improvement Action Plan implemented by CDSS
- Continue to maximize federal reimbursement through appropriate and consistent time study activities in both IHSS and APS

Employment and Eligibility

- Attract and retain new PAS staff to reduce the high number of PAS position vacancies
- Maintain a CalFRESH application disposition rate of above 90% for 3-day Expedite CalFresh applications and 30-day processing timeframes
- Maintain a Customer Service Center Service Level of Agreement (SLA) of answering all calls within 15 minutes
- Implement CalWORKs 2.0 Evidence Based Practices to increase client engagement and participation and improved outcomes for WTW program goals

Major Budget Changes

Salaries & Benefits

- \$2,084,219 Increase due to negotiated salaries and related taxes and change in historical salary savings adjustment
- (\$636,551) Decrease in retirement cost due to a reduction in CalPERS rates
- (\$222,261) Decrease in total group insurance, HSA contributions and Deferred Comp costs
- \$128,586 Net Increase due to addition of 2.0 FTE Staff Analyst and deletion of 1.0 FTE Supervising Staff Services Analyst (E&E) positions
- \$89,524 Increase due to addition of 1.0 FTE Public Assistance Specialist I/II position
- \$141,066 Increase due to addition of 1.0 FTE Social Worker Supervisor II (Children's) position

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- \$132,131 Increase due to addition of 1.0 FTE Health & Human Services Deputy Branch Director (Adults) position
- (\$25,260) Decrease due to transfer out of .25 FTE Health Program Specialist to Homeless Services (CC4121)

Services & Supplies

- \$139,768 Increase in software license & maintenance due to Children's & Adult's and E&E new software license and renewal of current license
- (\$363,612) Decrease in computer hardware primarily due to Children's & Adult's and E&E computer hardware purchased done prior year
- \$102,672 Increase in office expenses due to increase Children's, Adults and E&E in office expenses. Increase in CalSAWS postage and toners for E&E
- \$246,860 Increase in Professional/Specialized Services primarily due to an increase in facilities security services, CWS contracted services and trauma training for staff and community
- \$134,495 Increase in Special Departmental Expense – Ancillary due to projected increase in CalWORKs cases with ancillary needs
- \$123,975 Increased in Utilities for Children's, Adult's and E&E locations

Other Charges

- (\$616,679) Decrease in Support & Care of Persons primarily due to the close out of housing programs
- (\$314,232) Decrease in Interfund Maintenance & Improvement due transferring 190 Garden Hwy facility project cost to the Social Service Facilities Improvement (CC1821)
- \$438,003 Increase in Housing Support Program costs based on funding

Capital Assets

- (\$329,667) Update to phone system at 190 Garden Hwy Office completed in FY 2024-25 and transferred the replacement of 32 cubicles for 190 Garden Hwy Office to Capital Projects Fund for Social Services Facilities Improvement (CC1821)

Other Financing Uses

- \$479,221 Increase in Transfer out to the Capital Projects Fund for Social Services Facilities Improvement (CC1821) for the 190 Garden Hwy building maintenance projects

Revenues

- \$1,374,017 Increase in State Welfare Administrative Reimbursement primarily for Medical Administration, IHSS Administration, CalFresh Administration, Child Care and Family First Prevention Services (FFPS)
- (\$259,926) Decrease in State- Miscellaneous Revenue: Specify primarily due to the remaining allocation of Bringing Families Home program ending December 2025
- (\$112,358) Decrease in Federal-Public Assistance Admin funding based on budget requirements

Health and Human Services Welfare Administration (CC5101)

Sarah Eberhardt-Rios, Director

- \$570,674 Increase in in Operating Transfer-In related based on budget requirements

Recommended Budget

Recommended appropriations are \$51,462,680, an increase of \$1,919,259 (3.9%) from the FY 2024-25 Adopted Budget. The Welfare and Social Services fund has a Net County Cost of \$433,225 to meet the County's Maintenance of Effort (MOE) for receipt of CalWORKs and related Realignment funding. Similar in FY 2024-25, included in this recommendation is a \$1,500,000 proposed transfer from Social Services Realignment to Sutter-Yuba Behavioral Health is discussed in further detail in the Behavioral Health narrative (CC4102).

The following Capital Assets are recommended to be approved effective July 1, 2025:

- \$36,000 rebudget for the purchase of one Mid-Size Sedan to replace an older vehicle for Children's Services that was budgeted in FY 2024-25
- \$63,600 rebudget for purchase of one Minivan that was budgeted in FY 2023-24
- \$144,000 rebudget for purchase of four Mid-Size Sedans that were budgeted in FY 2023-24
- \$52,200 purchase of a Mid-Size SUV for the Adults Division
- \$40,409 rebudget for the purchase of 10 Cubicles for 539 Garden Hwy Office that were budgeted in FY 2024-25
- \$27,526 to install Alarm System at Holly Oak Offices
- \$249,000 rebudget for the purchase of an Electronic Filing System for Adults Division that was budgeted in FY 2024-25
- \$334,900 rebudget for the purchase of an Electronic Filing System for Children's Division that was budgeted in FY 2024-25

The following position changes are recommended to be effective July 1, 2025:

- Addition of 1.0 FTE Health & Human Services Deputy Branch Director for Adults Division
- Addition of 1.0 FTE Public Assistance Specialist (I/II) for the E&E Services Division
- Addition of 1.0 FTE Social Worker Supervisor II for the Children's Division
- Addition of 2.0 FTE Staff Analyst for the E&E Services Division
- Deletion of 1.0 FTE Supervising Staff Services Analyst for the E&E Services Division
- Remove 0.25 FTE Health Program Specialist transferred to Homeless Services (CC4121)

Use of Fund Balance

This cost center is within the Welfare and Social Services Fund. The budget does not include the use of any specific fund balance.

Health and Human Services Public Guardian (CC2709)

Sarah Eberhardt-Rios, Director

Executive Summary					
Fund: FD0001 - General Fund Administration					
Cost Center Name: Public Guardian & Conservator			Cost Center: CC2709		
	2023-24 Actuals	2024-25 Actuals YTD	2024-25 Adopted Budget	2025-26 CAO Recommended Budget	% Change
Expenditures					
Salaries and Employee Benefits	521,872	481,036	680,340	664,656	-2.31%
Services and Supplies	78,622	70,209	98,632	117,937	19.57%
Other Charges	11,194	0	23,893	29,984	25.49%
Capital Assets - Expenditures	90,000	0	0	0	0.00%
Transfers Out (Nonreciprocal)	657	0	4,174	4,462	6.90%
Total Expenditures	702,345	551,245	807,039	817,039	1.24%
Revenues					
Charges for Services	396,335	211,620	455,268	465,268	2.20%
Total Revenues	396,335	211,620	455,268	465,268	2.20%
Unreimbursed Costs	306,010	339,625	351,771	351,771	0.00%
Allocated Positions	4.00	0.00	5.00	5.00	0.00%

Budget detail can be found on page SE-35 of the Schedules Section.

Mission / Program Description

The Public Guardian serves as the legally appointed conservator for persons whom the Superior Court has determined to be incapable of managing their personal care or finances, or who are vulnerable to undue influence or fraud. These individuals may suffer from severe mental illness, dementia or are simply older, frail and vulnerable adults.

The conservator's primary responsibility is to ensure that each conservatee has the best possible living arrangement that maximizes their independence while aligning with their abilities and available resources. The conservator oversees and coordinates all necessary personal, financial, and medical care to maintain a safe, comfortable, and supportive living environment for the conservatees.

The number of conservatee cases has steadily increased from 88 (44 Probate, 44 LPS) in July 2022 to 108 conservatees (54 Probate and 54 LPS cases) by February 2025.

The rising number of probate cases is driven by the county's aging population, which grew from 12.7% to 16.8% between 2010 and 2023 and is projected to increase by 47% between 2022 and 2050. Additionally, upcoming regulatory changes related to Lanterman-Petris-Short (LPS) conservatees—including CARE Court, the Incompetent to Stand Trial (IST) cap, misdemeanor IST diversion, and SB 43, which expands LPS conservatorship eligibility—will significantly increase demand on the Public Guardian's office and LPS caseloads.

Accomplishments and Goals

FY 24-25 Accomplishments

- Streamlined processes and protocols in collaboration with county counsel, community resources, and HHS branches to comply with new legislation and ensure consistent quality of care for those conserved
- Instituted workgroups and multi-disciplinary team meetings with HHS leadership, the Adult Outpatient/Forensic team, Acute Psychiatric Services, agency Psychiatrists, and CalAIM and Wellpath representatives to enhance client care
- Established an MOU between the Public Guardian and Sutter-Yuba Behavioral Health to increase collaborative team processes involving key leadership

FY 25-26 Goals

- Refine processes in collaboration with county counsel, community stakeholders, and HHS branches to improve efficiency and comply with new legislation
- Recruit and hire a Deputy Public Guardian to address increased referrals, investigations, administrative tasks and conservatees volume due to new legislation and aging population
- Organize the Public Guardian's caseload by petitioning the court to transfer assets of deceased individuals to families or settle estates with the Public Administrator
- Recommend and implement revisions to the structure, function and oversight of the Public Guardian's office

Recommended Budget

Total appropriations are recommended at \$817,039 reflecting a \$10,000 increase (1.24%) from the FY 2024-25 Adopted Budget. The General Fund provides 43% of the financing for this cost center, maintaining the same contribution percentage as in the previous fiscal year.

The following position changes are recommended to be effective July 1, 2025:

- Delete 1.00 FTE Deputy Public Guardian-Limited Term position and add 1.00 FTE Deputy Public Guardian position, resulting in no change to the FTE count in this cost center

Use of Fund Balance

This cost center is within the General Fund and does not include any reserves or designations.

Executive Summary					
Fund: FD0013 - Welfare/Social Services					
Cost Center Name: In-Home Supportive Services - IHSS			Cost Center: CC5201		
	2023-24 Actuals	2024-25 Actuals YTD	2024-25 Adopted Budget	2025-26 CAO Recommended Budget	% Change
Expenditures					
Services and Supplies	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Other Charges	3,083,641	2,631,119	3,382,983	3,526,882	4.25%
Total Expenditures	3,083,641	2,631,119	3,382,983	3,526,882	4.25%
Revenues					
Revenue from Investment and Property	23,252	0	0	0	0.00%
Transfers In (Nonreciprocal)	3,083,641	0	3,382,983	3,526,882	4.25%
Total Revenues	3,106,893	0	3,382,983	3,526,882	4.25%
Unreimbursed Costs	-23,252	2,631,119	0	0	0.00%
Allocated Positions	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%

Budget detail can be found on page SE-38 of the Schedules Section.

Mission / Program Description

In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS) is a statewide program under the direction of the California Department of Social Services (CDSS). The IHSS program uses State, Federal, and County funds to pay providers to care for qualified aged, blind and disabled individuals who require personal care and/or domestic assistance to continue living safely in their homes. The IHSS Social Workers use the State Hourly Task Guideline to determine authorized service hours each qualified recipient will receive. CDSS makes the payments to the providers and then invoices the County for its share of the costs.

The Sutter County IHSS Public Authority (PA) Governing Board was established in 2002 in response to Assembly Bill 1682 (Chapter 90, Statutes of 1999), to act as the employer of record for Sutter County IHSS providers for the purposes of negotiating salary, benefits, and work-related issues. The IHSS PA maintains a Registry of qualified providers, refers providers to eligible recipients when requested, ensures all IHSS providers meet the State IHSS Provider orientation eligibility requirements and monitors Department of Justice background reports on IHSS Providers.

Accomplishments & Goals

FY 2024-25 Accomplishments

- Reorganized APS and IHSS into separate units. Hired a Social Worker Supervisor II, 2FTE Social Worker III's, and a Public Health Nurse II for the APS team to respond to increased complexity and volume of cases

- Contracted with NorthStar to implement electronic IHSS system that interfaces with CDSS CMIPS II data base system to improve services to IHSS recipients and decrease Social Worker paperwork
- Increased the number of Registry providers 24% over FY 2024-25 to meet the need of increased IHSS cases and recipient needs
- Implemented Quarterly Department meetings to include IHSS Social Workers, APS Social Worker and Public Authority staff to improve services and coordination of cases

FY 2025-26 Goals

- Enhance the APS Multi-Disciplinary Team (SCAAT) and develop MOUs with partner agencies to increase attendance and accountability for APS clients
- Implement process to address the Quality Improvement Action Plan implemented by CDSS
- Continue to maximize federal reimbursement through appropriate and consistent time study activities in both IHSS and APS

Major Budget Changes

Other Charges

- \$ 126,294 Increase in IHSS-County Share aligns to the current caseload and cost

Revenues

- \$143,899 Increase in 1991 Realignment Revenue Transfer-In based on budget requirements

Recommended Budget

Total appropriations are recommended at \$3,526,882, an increase of \$143,899 (4.25%) from the FY 2024-25 Adopted Budget. This budget aligns to the projected county share that includes the locally negotiated wage supplement and health benefits.

There is no Net County Cost in this cost center. The County's share of cost is met with Welfare and Social Services 1991 Realignment (CC0248). Welfare and Social Services 1991 Realignment is discussed in greater detail in the budget narrative for that fund (FD1014).

Use of Fund Balance

This cost center is within the Welfare and Social Services Fund. The budget does not include the use of any specific fund balance.

Health and Human Services

Temporary Aid for Needy Families (CC5204)

Sarah Eberhardt-Rios, Director

Executive Summary					
Fund:	FD0013 - Welfare/Social Services				
Cost Center Name:	Temporary Assistance for Needy Families - TANF Fa			Cost Center: CC5204	
	2023-24 Actuals	2024-25 Actuals YTD	2024-25 Adopted Budget	2025-26 CAO Recommended Budget	% Change
Expenditures					
Other Charges	16,159,762	28,008	19,361,134	20,328,081	4.99%
Total Expenditures	16,159,762	28,008	19,361,134	20,328,081	4.99%
Revenues					
Revenue from Investment and Property	50,663	0	0	0	0.00%
Intergovernmental Revenues	7,855,982	20,143	10,222,270	7,200,688	-29.56%
Transfers In (Nonreciprocal)	8,047,247	1,103,906	8,652,968	12,619,190	45.84%
Total Revenues	15,953,891	1,124,049	18,875,238	19,819,878	5.00%
Unreimbursed Costs	205,871	-1,096,041	485,896	508,203	4.59%
Allocated Positions	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%

Budget detail can be found on page SE-39 of the Schedules Section.

Purpose / Program Description

Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) is a federal cash assistance program that aids families and/or children who meet specific eligibility, income, property, and other regulatory requirements. CalWORKs is the State of California TANF program which includes the Employment Services component of the program. This cost center is primarily financed with Federal and State funding.

Major Budget Changes

Other Charges

- \$966,947 Increase in Support and Care of Persons includes the annual implementation of the Maximum Aid Payment (MAP) increase effective in October pursuant to Assembly Bill 120 through All County Letter (ACL) issued by CA Department of Social Services, and projected caseload growth

Revenues

- (\$3,021,582) Decrease in Federal/State TANF related to federal projected caseload and costs
- \$3,966,222 Increase in Operating Transfers-In based on budget requirements

Health and Human Services

Temporary Aid for Needy Families (CC5204)

Sarah Eberhardt-Rios, Director

Recommended Budget

Total appropriations are recommended at \$20,328,081 an increase of \$966,947 (4.9%) compared to the FY 2024-25 Adopted Budget due to anticipated caseload cost and growth increase. There is no Net County Cost in this cost center. The County's share of cost is met with Welfare and Social Services 1991 Realignment funds (FD0248).

The State's share of TANF costs, which is realized as revenue by the County, flows through the 2011 Realignment (FD1010). The 2011 Realignment Fund is discussed in greater detail in its own budget narrative.

Use of Fund Balance

This cost center is within the Welfare and Social Services Fund. The budget does not include the use of any specific fund balance.

Health and Human Services Foster Care (CC5206)

Sarah Eberhardt-Rios, Director

Executive Summary					
Fund:	FD0013 - Welfare/Social Services				
Cost Center Name:	Foster Care		Cost Center: CC5206		
	2023-24 Actuals	2024-25 Actuals YTD	2024-25 Adopted Budget	2025-26 CAO Recommended Budget	% Change
Expenditures					
Other Charges	4,900,703	4,080,052	5,670,422	5,936,929	4.70%
Total Expenditures	4,900,703	4,080,052	5,670,422	5,936,929	4.70%
Revenues					
Revenue from Investment and Property	119,201	0	0	0	0.00%
Intergovernmental Revenues	757,176	663	1,799,308	1,813,503	0.79%
Transfers In (Nonreciprocal)	1,708,952	0	2,727,244	2,163,537	-20.67%
Total Revenues	2,585,329	663	4,526,552	3,977,040	-12.14%
Unreimbursed Costs	2,315,374	4,079,389	1,143,870	1,959,889	71.34%
Allocated Positions	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%

Budget detail can be found on page SE-40 of the Schedules Section.

Purpose / Program Description

The Foster Care cost center contains six programs that provide financial aid on behalf of children who are living in out-of-home placements or are at risk of being removed from their home. These funds are provided on behalf of children whose families are unable or unwilling to care for them and who are in need of temporary or long-term substitute parenting or assisted parenting.

Major Budget Changes

Other Charges

- \$266,507 Increase in Support and Care includes the adjusted rates that reflect the California Necessities Index (CNI) provided by the CA Department of Social Services (CDSS) through All County Letter (ACL), and projected caseload growth

Revenues

- (\$549,511) Decrease in Federal/State TANF Foster Care related to projected caseload and costs

Recommended Budget

Total appropriations are recommended at \$5,936,929, an increase of \$266,507 (4.70%) compared to the FY 2024-25 Adopted Budget. The increase is primarily related to projected caseload changes. There

Health and Human Services Foster Care (CC5206)

Sarah Eberhardt-Rios, Director

is no Net County Cost in this cost center. The County's share of cost for FY 2025-26 is met with Welfare and Social Services 2011 Realignment funds (FD0245).

The State's share of Foster Care costs, which is realized as revenue by the County, flows from the 2011 Realignment (FD1010) through the Social Services Realignment Fund 2011 (FD0245) as opposed to being directly received by the Division through the Welfare and Social Services Fund as had occurred in the past. The 2011 Realignment Fund is discussed in greater detail in its own budget narrative.

Use of Fund Balance

This cost center is within the Welfare and Social Services Fund. The budget does not include the use of any specific fund balance.

Health and Human Services Refugee Cash Assistance (CC5207)

Sarah Eberhardt-Rios, Director

Executive Summary					
Fund:	FD0013 - Welfare/Social Services				
Cost Center Name:	Refugee Cash Assistance			Cost Center: CC5207	
	2023-24 Actuals	2024-25 Actuals YTD	2024-25 Adopted Budget	2025-26 CAO Recommended Budget	% Change
Expenditures					
Other Charges	142,632	0	696,766	600,000	-13.89%
Total Expenditures	142,632	0	696,766	600,000	-13.89%
Revenues					
Revenue from Investment and Property	1,182	0	0	0	0.00%
Intergovernmental Revenues	153,668	0	696,766	600,000	-13.89%
Total Revenues	154,850	0	696,766	600,000	-13.89%
Unreimbursed Costs	-12,218	0	0	0	0.00%
Allocated Positions	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%

Budget detail can be found on page SE-41 of the Schedules Section.

Purpose / Program Description

The Refugee Cash Assistance program assists refugees with resettlement and services toward self-support by providing cash assistance, medical assistance, and social services. Refugee Cash Assistance is a federally mandated program provided to refugees who have been determined to be ineligible for CalWORKs or Supplemental Security Income/State Supplemental Payment (SSI/SSP). Eligibility is for an eight-month period, beginning with the month of entry into the United States.

Major Budget Changes

Other Charges

- (\$96,766) Decrease in Support and Care of Persons due to reduction in refugee entry

Revenues

- (\$96,766) Decrease in Federal funds due to decrease in projected caseload and cost

Recommended Budget

Total appropriations are recommended at \$600,000, a decrease of \$96,766 (-13.9%) from the FY 2024-25 Adopted Budget due to projected caseload decrease. This cost center is 100% federally funded. There is no Net County Cost in this cost center.

Human Services Refugee Cash Assistance (CC5207)

Sarah Eberhardt-Rios, Director

Use of Fund Balance

This cost center is within the Welfare and Social Services Fund. The budget does not include the use of any specific fund balance.

Health and Human Services Aid for Adoption (CC5209)

Sarah Eberhardt-Rios, Director

Executive Summary					
Fund: FD0013 - Welfare/Social Services					
Cost Center Name: Aid For Adoption			Cost Center: CC5209		
	2023-24 Actuals	2024-25 Actuals YTD	2024-25 Adopted Budget	2025-26 CAO Recommended Budget	% Change
Expenditures					
Other Charges	8,071,243	2,649,880	9,742,408	10,229,528	5.00%
Total Expenditures	8,071,243	2,649,880	9,742,408	10,229,528	5.00%
Revenues					
Revenue from Investment and Property	21,625	0	0	0	0.00%
Intergovernmental Revenues	4,451,938	0	4,435,391	4,657,160	5.00%
Transfers In (Nonreciprocal)	3,724,313	0	3,980,261	4,179,274	5.00%
Total Revenues	8,197,876	0	8,415,652	8,836,434	5.00%
Unreimbursed Costs	-126,633	2,649,880	1,326,756	1,393,094	5.00%
Allocated Positions	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%

Budget detail can be found on page SE-42 of the Schedules Section.

Purpose / Program Description

The Adoptions Assistance program provides financial assistance to adoptive parents in cases where children have been relinquished for adoption or parental rights have been terminated. Children eligible for this program are special needs children who were previously dependents of the Juvenile Court. These children often have barriers such as mental, physical, emotional, or medical disabilities. Eligibility and determination of grant amounts are established and administered by the California Department of Social Services, which then provides payment instructions to the County for payment to the adoptive parents.

Major Budget Changes

Other Charges

- \$487,120 Increase in Support and Care of Persons includes the adjusted rates that Reflect the California Necessities Index (CNI) provided by the CA Department of Social Services (CDSS) through All County Letter (ACL), and projected caseload growth

Revenues

- \$221,769 Increase in Federal funds due to increase in projected caseload and cost
- \$199,013 Increase in 2011 Realignment Revenue Transfer-In based on budget requirements

Recommended Budget

Total appropriations are recommended at \$10,229,528 an increase of \$487,120 (5.0%) compared to the FY 2024-25 Adopted Budget. There is no Net County Cost in this cost center. The County's share of cost for FY 2024-25 is met with Welfare and Social Services 2011 Realignment funds (FD0245).

The State's share of Adoption costs, realized as revenue by the County, flows from the 2011 Realignment (FD1010) through the Social Services Realignment 2011 (FD0245). The 2011 Realignment and the Social Services Realignment 2011 Funds are discussed in greater detail in the budget narratives for those funds.

Use of Fund Balance

This cost center is within the Welfare and Social Services Fund. The budget does not include the use of any specific fund balance.

Health and Human Services General Relief (CC5302)

Sarah Eberhardt-Rios, Director

Executive Summary					
Fund:	FD0001 - General Fund Administration				
Cost Center Name:	General Relief - General			Cost Center:	CC5302
	2023-24 Actuals	2024-25 Actuals YTD	2024-25 Adopted Budget	2025-26 CAO Recommended Budget	% Change
Expenditures					
Services and Supplies	66,640	30,332	118,824	118,824	0.00%
Other Charges	10,292	0	21,000	21,000	0.00%
Total Expenditures	76,932	30,332	139,824	139,824	0.00%
Revenues					
Charges for Services	801	6,463	1,000	1,000	0.00%
Transfers In (Nonreciprocal)	1,336	0	1,037	1,037	0.00%
Total Revenues	2,137	6,463	2,037	2,037	0.00%
Unreimbursed Costs	74,795	23,868	137,787	137,787	0.00%
Allocated Positions	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%

Budget detail can be found on page SE-43 of the Schedules Section.

Purpose / Program Description

General Relief Cash Assistance, Interim Assistance, and Indigent Burial programs within this budget are mandated through the Welfare and Institutions Code Section 17000 requiring that each county shall relieve and support all incompetent, poor, indigent persons, and those incapacitated by age, disease, or accident, who are lawfully residents in the County, when they do not qualify for any other cash assistance program and who are temporarily unable to finance their own needs.

Interim Assistance is a program for indigent persons while they are pending Supplemental Security Income/State Supplementary Payment approval.

The Indigent Burial program is for the burial of individuals who had no burial coverage and whose families, if known, are financially unable to provide for the burial.

Recommended Budget

Total appropriations are recommended at \$139,824, unchanged from the FY 2024-25 Adopted Budget. The General Fund continues to provide the majority of the funding, contributing \$137,787 (98.5%), consistent with the prior year.

Use of Fund Balance

This cost center is within the General Fund. The budget does not include the use of any specific fund balance.