

<b>Priority:</b>	Safety Net Services	<b>Lead Agency:</b>	County Human
<b>Program Offer Type:</b>	Existing Operating	<b>Program Contact:</b>	Ray Hudson
<b>Related Programs:</b>	25031, 25032, 25038, 25039, 25085		
<b>Frameworks:</b>	Early Childhood Framework, Poverty Framework		

### **Executive Summary**

Alcohol and Drug Recovery Community Services Program provides peer-to-peer recovery support and alcohol and drug free social and recreational activities for African Americans in a convenient culturally appropriate setting. Promotes self-worth, community connectedness, and quality of life, which are important factors in sustaining recovery from alcohol and drug addiction. Entirely funded by State Beer & Wine Tax funds.

### **Program Description**

The Alcohol and Drug Recovery Community Services Program supports the Basic Living Needs Priority by providing African Americans in recovery with the comprehensive social supports and networking they need to build an alcohol and drug free lifestyle. This prevents relapse and related problems that impact level of functioning in the community and utilization of services. The program, Miracles Club, is nationally recognized as a model for peer-based community recovery programs. The volunteer-based club is an alcohol and drug free facility open over 40 hours per week that hosts numerous social and recovery activities for up to 200 people at a time. Seven recovery groups meet regularly. Dances and opportunities for socializing are held Friday and Saturday nights. A mentorship program provides ongoing volunteer-based mentoring to people in recovery and monthly orientations. Treatment providers encourage clients to use Miracles to socialize and network in an alcohol and drug free environment. This program links to the Vibrant Community Priority by fostering life improvement and life enjoyment through opportunities for alcohol and drug free social events and networking. It also links to the Safety Priority by providing positive opportunities and alternatives to criminal activities.

### **Program Justification**

Opportunities for alcohol and drug free socialization and mentoring are key to recovery because recovering individuals need to make significant lifestyle and peer association changes. The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Administration recognizes this need for Peer-to-Peer Recovery Community Services as part of the comprehensive system needed to support aftercare and continued recovery. Miracles Club is the best known and largest meeting place for African Americans in recovery to socialize, network, and hold 12-step meetings with others in recovery. Treatment programs refer African American clients to Miracles to help them learn to socialize in an alcohol and drug free environment, link with others in recovery, find culturally appropriate 12-step programs, and network to identify other resources.

This program supports the Poverty and Early Childhood frameworks by developing a stronger community through a community center that organizes informal social supports for people in recovery. Participants improve their level of functioning in the community, including their roles as employees and as parents.

### **Performance Measures**

Attendance at events and meetings, volunteer mentors available, satisfaction survey results for program participants.

### **Summary of last year's program results and this year's expected results**

Results will match these outcomes from last year: open over 40 hours per week. Attendance: over 800 people monthly at weekend events, over 1200 monthly at 12 step meetings. Over 12 volunteer mentors available.

**Program Mandate: 3 Program Choice but No Funding/Service Level Choice**

This volunteer-run organization has no formal mandates. However it relies on public funding to help cover ongoing financial obligations related to operating the large facility, notably rent and utility payments.

**Revenue/Expense Detail**

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
	2005	2005	2006	2006
<b>Program Expenses</b>				
Contracts	\$0	\$18,500	\$0	\$27,336
<b>Subtotal: Direct Exps:</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$18,500</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$27,336</b>
Administration	\$0	\$0	\$221	\$626
Program Support	\$0	\$0	\$633	\$727
<b>Subtotal: Other Exps:</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$854</b>	<b>\$1,353</b>
<b>Total GF/non-GF:</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$18,500</b>	<b>\$854</b>	<b>\$28,689</b>
<b>Program Total:</b>	<b>\$18,500</b>		<b>\$29,543</b>	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Program Revenues</b>				
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$18,500	\$0	\$27,336
Program Revenue for Admin	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,353
<b>Total Revenue:</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$18,500</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$28,689</b>

**Explanation of Revenues**

State Beer and Wine tax revenues are provided to counties on a dedicated formula basis and available on an ongoing basis.

**Significant Program Changes**

(None.)