

Priority: Basic Needs
Program Offer Type: Existing Operating
Related Programs: 25080, 25093

Lead Agency: County Human Services
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Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

The Family Circle Project provides relapse prevention and recovery support services for approximately 33 Native Americans and other clients that meet eligibility requirements who have a history of substance abuse, criminal justice involvement, high utilization of public health care, and homelessness. Ninety percent of homeless families will have housing at 6-month follow-up. The Family Circle Project is a wrap-around model that is a family centered, community-oriented, strengths-based, highly individualized process aimed at helping clients achieve and sustain recovery goals.

Program Description

The Family Circle Project is an addictions treatment adjunct: a peer mentor project actively involved and integrated into the treatment milieu which serves families – women as well as men with children. The model works in a holistic manner beginning at treatment intake and follows the client into the aftercare phase of recovery. The integrated delivery encircles the client and their family with services that ensure stability in the recovery process and a holistic re-entry into the community. Clients and their families receive customized, culturally based services that include advocacy, 12 Step sponsors, subsidized housing, Ready-to-Rent classes, parenting classes, medical and behavioral health care, vocational training and other employment opportunities, and referral to other community and culturally specific resources. The Family Circle Project focuses on client outcomes and the agency uses at least four evidence-based practices and/or manual guided curricula in their organization. Recovery Coaches (peers who have experienced the recovery process) work closely with clients as they move into aftercare to identify community supports, facilitate a connection to the community, provide referrals to appropriate community resources, and provide early intervention to help the client implement their relapse prevention plan to quickly move the client from possible crisis to stability. The Recovery Coach is the critical link back to treatment services if the client relapses and is in need of more support than can be provided by the community.

Program Justification

This federal grant serves clients who have long and extensive histories of substance abuse, homelessness, criminal justice involvement, and high utilization of public health care. This project promotes positive personal behaviors and links directly to the Basic Needs Priority by providing support and case management that addresses the negative consequences of the abuse of alcohol and illicit drugs. This project moves vulnerable men, women, and children away from a cycle of chronic problems and crises toward greater self-sufficiency in obtaining permanent housing, increased income, adequate food, and health care. In addition, this project links to the Poverty Elimination Framework by addressing the health needs of adults, providing information on and referral to other necessary social services, helping to support and strengthen families by including family therapy, and providing linkages to employment services. Further, this project links to the 10-Year Plan to End Homelessness by targeting homeless individuals as part of the client population and by influencing employment and earnings in a positive direction and increasing economic independence.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Primary Measure	Previous Year Actual (FY05-06)	Current Year Purchased (FY06-07)	Current Year Estimate (FY06-07)	Next Year Offer (FY07-08)
Output	Number of clients served**.	14	100	33	33
Outcome	Percentage of clients successfully completing treatment***.	0.0%	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%
Outcome	Percentage of homeless families housed at follow-up***.	0.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%

Performance Measure - Description

 **Measure Changed**

Outcome: 90% of families that were homeless upon entering treatment will be housed at follow-up. ** The agreed upon number of clients annually per the Federal Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) grant is 33, not 100. ***Because the program started serving clients in late March 2006, no clients completed treatment by June 30, 2006 nor were any follow-up interviews conducted because those happen after 6 months into the program.

Legal/Contractual Obligation

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2007	2007	2008	2008
Personnel	\$0	\$19,533	\$0	\$19,533
Contracts	\$0	\$468,261	\$0	\$468,261
Materials & Supplies	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Internal Services	\$0	\$12,206	\$0	\$12,206
Subtotal: Direct Exps:	\$0	\$500,000	\$0	\$500,000
Administration	\$0	\$16,970	\$0	\$17,901
Program Support	\$0	\$24,704	\$0	\$11,000
Subtotal: Other Exps:	\$0	\$41,674	\$0	\$28,901
Total GF/non-GF:	\$0	\$541,674	\$0	\$528,901
Program Total:	\$541,674		\$528,901	
Program FTE	0.00	0.20	0.00	0.20
Program Revenues				
Indirect for dep't Admin	\$3,418	\$0	\$3,418	\$0
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$500,000	\$0	\$500,000
Program Revenue for Admin	\$0	\$41,674	\$0	\$28,901
Total Revenue:	\$3,418	\$541,674	\$3,418	\$528,901

Explanation of Revenues

Funded by the Federal Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA).

Significant Program Changes

Last year this program was: #25112, Warrior Down Project