

MINUTES OF THE MEETING  
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January 16, 1987

The eighth meeting of the Institutions and Cultural Education Subcommittee was called to order in room 202-A of the Capitol on January 16, 1987 at 8:05 a.m. by Chairman Miller.

ROLL CALL: All members were present as were Keith Wolcott, Senior Analyst for the Legislative Fiscal Analyst, (LFA); Alice Omang, Secretary; George Harris of the Office of Budget and Program Planning (OBPP); Carroll South, Director of the Department of Institutions; and various other representatives of the Department and the Mental Health Centers.

DEPARTMENT OF INSTITUTIONS:

Mental Health Division: Tape 8-1-A:-63

Carroll South, Director of the Department of Institutions, advised that they have five positions in the Mental Health Division in their office - four of which are administrative officers and one secretary. He informed the committee that they primarily help him supervise the non-correctional institutions and they monitor and work with the community mental health centers around the state. He described their duties, such as monitoring the contracts, supervising the federal block grant and yearly, they go around the state and do on-site reviews of the kind of treatment and procedures that are being used at the mental health centers.

(155) George Harris of the Office of Budget and Program Planning, gave an overview of their budget as per exhibit 1, page S-196.

Keith Wolcott, Senior Analyst for the Legislative Fiscal Analyst, (LFA), presented the LFA budget to the committee as per exhibit 1 - page D-20 to D-22.

He distributed to the committee exhibit 2, which indicates the current level adjustments, which reflects the 57.37% of the total block grants that the Mental Health Division gets. He explained that he had originally had a projected ending fund balance of \$2,772 with which to begin FY 88, but in a discussion with the Department yesterday that fund balance is not going to be there and this table 1 will replace table 12 on page D-22.

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Mr. Wolcott handed out exhibit 4, which shows the mental health block grants for FY 84 through FY 87 grant of \$51,000 that will be included with the grant awards, which is due to the new drug program by the federal government, and the one-time mental health share is the \$29,259 reflected in the FY 88 column. He explained that this is split for the two years and leaves a fund balance of \$14,630 at the end of FY 88 and this is carried into FY 89.

Mr. Wolcott explained exhibit 5, which shows the differences between the LFA and the OBPP figures and went through these pages with the committee.

(435) Mr. Harris advised that they have included all the institutional staff training for the direct care; but they reduced the \$8,570 for management training to \$3,653. He described of what the training consisted.

(505) Mr. Wolcott explained the differences in grants, which is on page 2 of exhibit 5.

Steve Waldron, representing the Montana Council of Mental Health Centers, introduced Donna Hail, from the Adolescent Day Treatment Center; Jeff Mayfield, who is a client in the program; and Tom Morrison, who has a son in the program.

Mr. Waldron advised the committee that this program is a relatively new concept for Montana which provides treatment for boys and girls, and there is currently 15 in the program and about 16 or 17 on the waiting list.

Tom Harrison, a parent of a child in the Adolescent Day Treatment Program, advised that he came here from Washington, D.C. and he has a 14-year-boy with emotional problems who has been enrolled in this program since June and they have seen a marvelous growth in his maturation. He wholeheartedly recommended this program.

Tape: 8-1-B:044 Jeff Maxfield from the Westside Day Treatment Program informed the committee that before he came into the program, he was deeply involved in alcohol and drugs and was very, very suicidal and after he got into the program he started to realize that there was someone out there who cared and that his chemical dependency was not worth it.

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Representative Menahan asked if there were a lot of alcohol and drugs in the public school to which Mr. Maxfield replied that there is a lot and he thought that the drug program should definitely be expanded.

Mr. Waldron acknowledged that they are seeing a younger base of population and some of them with long-term disorders.

Nancy Adams, who runs the Montana House, introduced three clients who volunteered to testify before the committee.

Ed Kennedy from the Montana House advised that his problem is manic depression; he has been seeing a psychiatrist, spending 30 to 60 days in a hospital and he has been dealing with disruption and depression. He continued that he was in such a state that the only options he could consider were either going to Warm Springs or ceasing to exist. He said that he is finally to the point where he can wake up in the morning and see some brightness in his day.

Nancy Webster, a client from the Montana House, stated that about six months ago, she started being treated for a depression disorder and if it were not for the Montana House or the group home, she would have probably found herself in the state hospital and since she has been there, she has been much better.

Eva Greenwell, a client from the Montana House, said that if it were not for the Montana House, she would have probably wound up in Warm Springs because of some family problems. She explained that she had been enrolled at Mountain View and was told that she had to leave there when she was 18.

A newspaper clipping (see exhibit 6) was left for the committee members to circulate.

Jay Palmatier, representing the Mental Health Center in Missoula, informed the committee that there are some statistics that indicate that approximately 20% of the general population will have emotional problems that the centers could reach if they could see them at the time. He advised that they know the need is there; and, unlike even five years ago, they know how to treat these people and get some potential fulfillment in their lives.

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(520) Tom Cherry, President of the Montana Mental Health Association, noted that they continue to press for the de-institutionalization and a more comprehensive program; and prevention and education are the areas with which they are most concerned.

Mr. Waldron gave an overview of the unmet needs of the directors of the centers, information on reduction of numbers of street people because of mental health centers, the problem of quality help and help for the varying levels of dysfunction. He distributed to the committee exhibit 7, which is a packet of information from the various mental health centers.

Tape 8-2-A: He distributed exhibit 8 to the committee, which is a budget comparison between the LFA and OBPP.

(290) Dick Hruska, representing the Mental Health Center in Great Falls, indicated that they requested additional funding of \$340,000 to start an 8-person day treatment program growing to 16 adolescents and also an adolescent group home. He advised that they have 7 identifiable children already in need of this service and the demand is there. He declared that a lot of these kids substantially improve and can go back with their own class academically.

(350) John Nesbo, Director of Region 3 of the Montana Health Center in Billings, testified that they have 14 people who are in need of a group home, 8 of whom are in Warm Springs and the others in the community.

David Briggs, Director of Region 4 of the Montana Health Center in Helena, advised that they have five main offices at Helena, Butte, Anaconda, Livingston and Dillon, who provide services for this region. He observed that there are many unmet needs and these are not brand new programs that they are trying to get started, but are programs and staff to meet their current demand for services.

(528) Jay Palmatier, Director of Region 5 in Missoula, advised that they do a pretty good job with people from 18 to 55 with the present level of funding, but when they look at children's services and the elderly, they do not cover that very well.

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Tape: 8-2-B:035 Bill Warfield, Board Chairman of region 4, stated that there is an inverse relationship as to the demand for their program, i.e., when times are tough, the demand for their services increases and they are asking for financial help to cover those increases.


Scott Mangold, Secretary-Treasurer of Region 2 Board of Directors, said that they (the committee) should consider this as an investment rather than an expenditure, because that is what it is.

Harold Gerke, Chairman of the State Council of Mental Health Centers and Vice-chairman of the Mental Health Board at Billings, said that a few years ago, the state made the decision to de-institutionalize people, which has been done, and these people only go to the streets or back to the institutions, if they cannot find some way to give them treatment.

Virginia Kenyon, representing the Board of Visitors, stated that they are supportive of what the Mental Health Centers do and they do need money to carry out their services.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

  
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REPRESENTATIVE MILLER, Chairman

  
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Alice Omang, Secretary



*Exhibit 1*  
*1/16/87*  
*Mental Health*  
*George Hannis*

MH & RES. SERVICES ADMIN.  
 Budget Detail Summary

	Actual FY 1986	Budgeted FY 1987	Recommendation	
			FY 1988	FY 1989
Full Time Equivalent Employees	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00
Personal Services	172,213.77	173,776	185,546	185,282
Operating Expenses	71,467.95	67,076	57,303	56,053
Equipment	476.20	0	0	0
Grants	5,213,010.06	5,194,718	5,042,178	5,042,178
<b>Total Program Costs</b>	<b>\$5,457,167.98</b>	<b>\$5,435,570</b>	<b>\$5,285,027</b>	<b>\$5,283,513</b>
General Fund	4,110,747.88	4,200,394	4,049,851	4,048,337
Federal & Other Spec Rev Fund	1,346,420.10	1,235,176	1,235,176	1,235,176
<b>Total Funding Costs</b>	<b>\$5,457,167.98</b>	<b>\$5,435,570</b>	<b>\$5,285,027</b>	<b>\$5,283,513</b>
Current Level Services	5,457,167.98	5,435,570	5,285,027	5,283,513
<b>Total Service Costs</b>	<b>\$5,457,167.98</b>	<b>\$5,435,570</b>	<b>\$5,285,027</b>	<b>\$5,283,513</b>

**Program Description**

The staff of the Mental Health and Residential Services Division provides administrative leadership and coordination for a wide range of human service programs. These include the institutional and community programs for the mentally ill, institutional programs for the developmentally disabled, residential nursing home programs for veterans and elderly persons with chronic mental disorders. It is the responsibility of the Mental Health and Residential Services Division to provide management, planning and evaluation in support of these programs.

In accordance with section 53-21-203, MCA, the Department of Institutions assures that appropriate and accessible

community based mental health services are provided through contracts between the Department of Institutions and the five private, non profit regional community mental health centers (CMHCs). The CMHCs provide inpatient, emergency, transitional, day treatment, outpatient, and prevention services to approximately 13,500 Montanans each year.

**Budget Issues**

This program has been reduced by \$71,887 through base adjustments between FY86, FY88 and FY89.

The reduction in federal funds from FY86 to FY87 reflects block grant carry over money which is not available in FY88 or FY89.

EXHIBIT 2  
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MENTAL HEALTH DIVISION

Budget Item	Actual	Appropriated	- - Current Level - -		% Change 1987-89 Biennium
	Fiscal 1986	Fiscal 1987	Fiscal 1988	Fiscal 1989	
F.T.E.	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	0.00
Personal Service	\$ 172,213	\$ 173,776	\$ 185,632	\$ 185,368	7.2
Operating Expense	71,468	67,076	64,887	65,079	(6.2)
Equipment	476	-0-	-0-	-0-	(100.0)
Total Operating Costs	\$ 244,157	\$ 240,852	\$ 250,519	\$ 250,447	3.3
Non-Operating Costs	5,213,007	5,122,059	5,117,777	5,117,777	(1.0)
Total Expenditures	\$5,457,164	\$5,362,911	\$5,368,296	\$5,368,224	(0.8)
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<u>Fund Sources</u>					
General Fund	\$4,110,745	\$4,127,735	\$4,117,105	\$4,117,033	(0.1)
Federal Revenue	1,346,419	1,235,176	1,251,191	1,251,191	(3.1)
Total Funds	\$5,457,164	\$5,362,911	\$5,368,296	\$5,368,224	(0.8)
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The Mental Health and Residential Services Division provides administrative supervision and coordination for the institutional and community programs for the mentally ill, institutional programs for the developmentally disabled, and institutional programs for veterans and geriatrics with emotional problems.

Community-based services for the mentally ill are provided through contracts administered by the Mental Health Division with the five private non-profit, regional community mental health centers (CMHC). The division contracts for inpatient, emergency, day treatment, transitional living, community living support, outpatient, and prevention services. Funding for these programs comes from the general fund, federal block grant funds, medicaid, participating counties' general funds, and private reimbursement.

Personal services increase 7.2 percent from the 1987 biennium to the 1989 biennium as a result of vacancy savings and across the board cuts applied to fiscal 1986 and 1987. Operating expenses decrease 6.2 percent as one-time appraiser fees are removed from the base and professional contracts are reduced. Non-operating costs decrease one percent as available federal block grant funds decrease 3.1 percent from the 1987 biennium to the 1989 biennium. General fund in support of non-operating costs decreases less than one half of one percent from the 1987 biennium to the 1989 biennium.



Fiscal 1986: Comparison of Actual Expenses to the Appropriation

The following table compares fiscal 1986 actual expenditures and funding to allocations as anticipated by the 1985 legislature.

Table 11  
Comparison of Actual Expenses to Appropriated Expenses

<u>Budget Item</u>	<u>Legislature</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Difference</u>
F.T.E	5.00	5.00	0.00
Personal Service	\$ 178,965	\$ 172,213	\$ 6,752
Operating Expense	67,032	71,468	(4,436)
Equipment	-0-	476	(476)
Total Operating Costs	\$ 245,997	\$ 244,157	\$ 1,840
Non-Operating Costs			
State Sources	3,866,871	3,866,588	283
Federal Sources	1,349,118	1,346,419	2,699
Total Non Operating Costs	\$5,215,989	\$5,213,007	\$ 2,982
Total Expenditures	<u>\$5,461,986</u>	<u>\$5,457,164</u>	<u>\$ 4,822</u>
<u>Funding</u>			
General Fund	\$4,112,868	\$4,110,745	\$ 2,123
Federal Revenue	1,349,118	1,346,419	2,699
Total Funds	<u>\$5,461,986</u>	<u>\$5,457,164</u>	<u>\$ 4,822</u>

The program realized personal service savings of \$6,752 after the Governor's cuts of \$3,477 and budgeted vacancy savings of \$7,361. These savings were realized with a vacant secretarial position and turnover of the division administrator position.

Operating costs are \$4,436 more than authorized as a result of the cost of the appraisal for the sale of the Montana Youth Treatment Center in Billings which cost \$4,500. The division was not budgeted for equipment but spent \$476 in fiscal 1986.

The division contracted for and distributed all but \$2,982 of available mental health center contract funds. All but \$283 of the \$3,866,871 general fund was spent after the Governor's cuts of \$78,916. Federal block grant of \$1,346,419 was spent leaving an appropriation balance of \$2,699.

The general fund was \$2,123 less than authorized while federal block grant funds were \$4,822 less than authorized.

### Current Level Adjustments

Operating costs were reduced \$4,500 for one-time appraiser fees and \$4,472 for contracted mental health professionals to conduct annual audits of the Mental Health Center clinical records. Included in the division's budget is the mental health institutional education and training budget. Education and training is increased \$2,140 to provide 11 workshops at the institutions, attendance for 61 staff to various conferences, and for 28 staff to attend the state developmentally disabled conference. Other minor adjustments amount to less than one percent.

Non-operating costs for contracting with the five regional CMHC's have been adjusted to the available federal block grant funds and the amount purchased with general fund in fiscal 1986. The total decrease amounts to \$99,502 less to contract for services in fiscal 1988 than in fiscal 1986. The decrease in federal block grant funds results after all available carry-over funds were exhausted in fiscal 1986. The table below shows the state general fund and federal block grant funds in support of mental health centers for the 1987 and 1989 bienniums.

Table 12  
State and Federal Funding for Mental Health Centers

	<u>Fiscal 1986</u>	<u>Fiscal 1987</u>	<u>Fiscal 1988</u>	<u>Fiscal 1989</u>	<u>Percent</u>
General Fund	\$3,866,588	\$3,886,883	\$3,866,586	\$3,866,586	(0.3)
Federal Block Grant	<u>1,346,419</u>	<u>1,235,176</u>	<u>1,251,191</u>	<u>1,251,191</u>	(3.1)
Total	<u>\$5,213,007</u>	<u>\$5,122,059</u>	<u>\$5,117,777</u>	<u>\$5,117,777</u>	(1.0)

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Non-operating costs for contracting with the five regional CMHC's have been adjusted to the available federal block grant funds and the amount purchased with general fund in fiscal 1986. The total decrease amounts to \$172,171 less to contract for services in fiscal 1988 than fiscal 1986. The decrease in federal block grant funds results after all available carry-over funds were exhausted in fiscal 1986. The table below shows the state general fund and federal block grant funds in support of mental health centers for the 1987 and 1989 bienniums.

Table 1  
State and Federal Funding for Mental Health Centers

	<u>Fiscal 1986</u>	<u>Fiscal 1987</u>	<u>Fiscal 1988</u>	<u>Fiscal 1989</u>	<u>Percent</u>
General Fund	\$3,866,588	\$3,959,542	\$3,866,586	\$3,866,586	(1.2)
Federal Block Grant	<u>1,346,419</u>	<u>1,235,176</u>	<u>1,249,805</u>	<u>1,249,805</u>	<u>(3.2)</u>
Total	<u>\$5,213,007</u>	<u>\$5,194,718</u>	<u>\$5,116,391</u>	<u>\$5,116,391</u>	<u>(1.6)</u>

Exhibit 4  
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MENTAL HEALTH (57.37%)

ANNUAL GRANT AWARD \$2,153,000  
ONE-TIME FY87 6% \$51,000  
DRUG TREATMENT GRANT \$249,000

REVENUE	Fiscal 1984	Fiscal 1985	Fiscal 1986	Fiscal 1987	Fiscal 1988	Fiscal 1989
Unexpended Balance Carry Forward	\$640,452	\$408,746	\$114,017	\$2,772	\$0	\$14,630
State Fiscal Year Block Grant	\$1,219,973	\$1,235,176	\$1,235,176	\$1,235,176	\$1,235,176	\$1,235,176
One-time 6% adm grant					\$29,259	
One-time drug treatment (adad only)						
Total Block Grant Available	\$1,860,425	\$1,643,922	\$1,349,193	\$1,237,948	\$1,264,435	\$1,249,806
EXPENDITURES						
Operating	\$179,133	\$198,573	\$0	\$2,772	\$0	\$0
Non-Operating	\$1,272,546	\$1,331,332	\$1,346,421	\$1,235,176	\$1,249,805	\$1,249,806
Total Expenditures	\$1,451,679	\$1,529,905	\$1,346,421	\$1,237,948	\$1,249,805	\$1,249,806
Unexpended Balance to Carry Forward	\$408,746	\$114,017	\$2,772	\$0	\$14,630	\$0

Exhibit 5  
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DEPARTMENT OF INSTITUTIONS  
MENTAL HEALTH AND RESIDENTIAL SERVICES DIVISION

<u>PERSONAL SERVICES</u>	<u>1988</u>	<u>1989</u>
Executive FTE	5.00	5.00
LFA Current Level FTE	<u>5.00</u>	<u>5.00</u>
Difference	<u>=0=</u>	<u>=0=</u>

Executive	\$185,546	\$185,282
LFA Current Level	<u>185,632</u>	<u>185,368</u>
Difference	<u>\$(-86)</u>	<u>\$(-86)</u>

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1. N/A

2. Committee Issues

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<u>OPERATING EXPENSES</u>	<u>1988</u>	<u>1989</u>
Executive	\$57,303	\$56,053
LFA Current Level	<u>64,887</u>	<u>65,079</u>
Difference	<u>\$(-7,584)</u>	<u>\$(-9,026)</u>

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1. The LFA current level includes \$4,847 more each year of the biennium for education and training than the executive budget.
2. The LFA current level includes travel costs of \$2,979 each year of the biennium that are not included in the executive budget.
3. The executive budget does not include maintenance costs for computer equipment that are included in the LFA current level amounting to \$587 each year of the biennium.
4. Committee Issues

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<u>GRANTS</u>	<u>1988</u>	<u>1989</u>
Executive	\$5,042,178	\$5,042,178
LFA Current Level	<u>5,117,777</u>	<u>5,177,777</u>
Difference	<u>\$(- 75,599)</u>	<u>\$(- 75,599)</u>

- - - - - Grants Issues - - - - -

1. The executive applied across-the-board cuts of \$59,588 each year for grants from state sources, the general fund. The LFA includes these grants at current level.
2. The executive budget does not include the mental health portion of the new one-time block grant funds that are available. These funds total \$29,259 which are split equally, \$14,629, between fiscal 1988 and 1989.
3. The current level includes a fund balance of block grant carryover funds at fiscal 1987 year-end of \$2,772. This balance is in error and will not be available requiring a reduction of \$2,772 in grants and a corresponding reduction in federal funds.

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<u>FUNDING</u>	<u>Fiscal 1988</u>		<u>Fiscal 1989</u>	
	<u>Exec</u>	<u>LFA</u>	<u>Exec</u>	<u>LFA</u>
Gen. Fund	\$4,049,851	\$4,117,105	\$4,048,337	\$4,117,033
Federal	<u>1,235,176</u>	<u>1,251,191</u>	<u>1,235,176</u>	<u>1,251,191</u>
Total	<u>\$5,285,027</u>	<u>\$5,368,296</u>	<u>\$5,283,513</u>	<u>\$5,368,224</u>

- - - - - Funding Issues - - - - -

1. As mentioned above the executive federal funds are \$29,259 too low based on the most recent information from the federal government.
2. The LFA current level federal funds must be reduced \$2,772 for an error.

3. Committee Issues

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AGENCY : 6401 DEPARTMENT OF INSTITUTIONS  
PROGRAM : 57 MH & RES. SERVICES ADMIN.  
CONTROL : 00000

CURRENT LEVEL SERVICES ONLY

AF/OE	DESCRIPTION	OBPP FY 88	LFA FY 88	DIFF FY 88	SUB-CMT FY 88	OBPP FY 89	LFA FY 89	DIFF FY 89	SUB-CMT FY 89
0000	FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)	5.00	5.00			5.00	5.00		
1100	SALARIES	161,831	161,831			161,214	161,214		
1400	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	24,546	24,546			24,888	24,888		
1500	HEALTH INSURANCE	6,900	6,900			6,900	6,900		
1600	VACANCY SAVINGS	-7,731	-7,645	-86		-7,720	-7,634	-86	
	TOTAL SECOND LEVEL	185,546	185,632	-86		185,282	185,368	-86	
2021	CONTRACTED SERVICES-INFLATION	-4	-4			-8	-8		
2022	SUPPLIES & MATERIALS-INFLATION		-1	1					
2023	COMMUNICATIONS-INFLATION	22	22			33	34	-1	
2025	RENT-INFLATION		470	-470			653	-653	
2100	CONTRACTED SERVICES	29,963	34,030	-4,067		28,637	34,030	-5,393	
2200	SUPPLIES & MATERIALS	1,840	1,857	-17		1,840	1,857	-17	
2300	COMMUNICATIONS	8,766	8,347	419		8,616	8,347	269	
2400	TRAVEL	10,630	13,609	-2,979		10,630	13,609	-2,979	
2500	RENT	5,066	4,898	168		5,285	4,898	387	
2700	REPAIR & MAINTENANCE	474	1,088	-614		474	1,088	-614	
2800	OTHER EXPENSES	546	571	-25		546	571	-25	
	TOTAL SECOND LEVEL	57,303	64,887	-7,584		56,053	65,079	-9,026	
6000	GRANTS	5,042,178	5,117,777	-75,599		5,042,178	5,117,777	-75,599	
	TOTAL PROGRAM	5,285,027	5,368,296	-83,269		5,283,513	5,368,224	-84,711	
01100	GENERAL FUND	4,049,851	4,117,105	-67,254		4,048,337	4,117,033	-68,696	
03080	ALCOHOL DRUGS, MENTAL HEALTH	1,235,176	1,251,191	-16,015		1,235,176	1,251,191	-16,015	
	TOTAL PROGRAM	5,285,027	5,368,296	-83,269		5,283,513	5,368,224	-84,711	



Exhibit 6 - 11/6/87

# Many mentally ill children untreated

Ed Kennedy

WASHINGTON (AP) — At least 7.5 million children in the United States may need treatment for mental health problems, yet the majority never get the proper help, a congressional research unit says.

And if untreated, mental health problems could lead the children to later, more serious troubles in school or with the law, the Office of Technology Assessment found.

"Mental health problems are a source of suffering for children, difficulties for their families and great loss for society," the office said in a report released Wednesday. "Though such problems are sometimes tragic, an even greater tragedy may be that we currently know more about how to prevent and treat children's mental health problems than is reflected in the care available."

**Family support and prevention programs in schools have been found to help.**

The office, which provides Congress with scientific and technical information, prepared the report on mental health services for children at the request of Sens. Daniel K. Inouye, D-Hawaii, and Mark O. Hatfield, R-Ore., members of the Senate Appropriations Committee.

The office concluded that, in general, mental health services for children are helpful, although it could not determine what programs are best for particular children with particular problems.

The office also found that although there are shortages in all forms of mental health care for youths under age 18, community-based services and coordination of services seem to most need improvement.

"Available epidemiologic data indicate that at least 12 percent, or 7.5 million, of the nation's approximately 63 million children suffer from emotional or other problems that warrant mental health treatment — and that figure may be as high as 15 percent, or 9.5 million children," the report said.

Of those in need, 70 percent to 80 percent may not be getting the proper services, the report said.

The causes of mental disorders generally are not known, the report said. But some factors pose major risks for children's mental health, the office said, among them poverty, mental illness or alcoholism in parents, a teen-age parent, maltreatment, premature birth and parental divorce.

"These factors rarely occur in isolation and frequently interact with other aspects of a children's family, educational and social environment," the report said. And although the factors don't necessarily result in mental problems, "they can cause maladjustment and place a child at risk for later and potentially more serious problems."

The office said it could not determine exactly why children don't receive needed mental health care. Some children, it said, may not receive services because of the stigma attached to having a mental disorder. Others may not get the services because the services aren't available in their communities or because their families cannot afford the help.

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Exhibit 7  
Mental Health  
1/16/87  
Steve Waldron

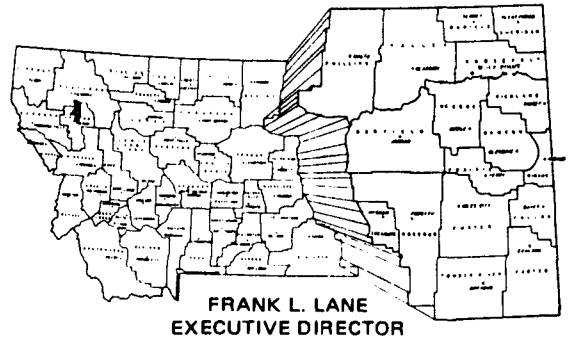
ADDITIONAL FUNDING NEEDS OF MONTANA  
COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH CENTERS

	<u>FY 88</u>	<u>FY 89</u>
<u>REGION I</u>	\$196,510	\$196,510
<u>REGION II</u>	\$342,754	\$342,754
<u>REGION III</u>	\$216,632	\$216,632
<u>REGION IV</u>	\$623,192	\$623,192
<u>REGION V</u>	<u>\$359,297</u>	<u>\$359,297</u>
TOTAL	\$1,747,385	\$1,747,385
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BIENNIAL TOTAL	\$3,494,770	

# EASTERN MONTANA MENTAL HEALTH CENTER

REGIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE  
BUSINESS AND STATISTICAL OFFICE

1819 Main Street  
Miles City, Montana 59301  
Ph. 232-0234



January 12, 1987

Mr. Steve Walcron  
Montana Council of Regional  
Mental Health Boards, Inc.  
512 Logan  
Helena, MT 59601

Dear Steve:

Eastern Montana Community Mental Health Center's minimal needs for additional funding for the next biennium are these:

1. An additional 8-bed group home	\$110,000.00
2. One additional partial hospitalization full-time staff (grade 11 with benefits)	18,676.00
3. Three additional outpatient and family therapists (grade 16 with benefits)	84,792.00
- 20 percent fee income	<u>- 16,958.00</u>
For a total of #3	<u>\$ 67,834.00</u>
Total of cost for one year	<u>\$196,510.00</u>
Total of biennium X 2	<u><u>\$393,020.00</u></u>

These three additional outpatient and family therapists are projected to generate 2,970 outpatient, emergency, or community living support units.

The current waiting lists as of January 12, 1987 are:

Miles City	Three weeks
Colstrip	One week
Glasgow	One week
Wolf Point	One week
Sidney	Two weeks
Malta	One week

Mr. Steve Waldron

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January 12, 1987

I hope the subcommittee is favorable to our request for additional staff to meet the mental health service delivery needs of Eastern Montana citizens.

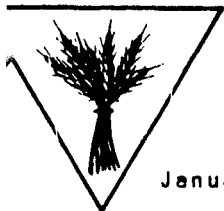
Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Frank L. Lane".

Frank L. Lane,  
Executive Director

FLL/cs

# Golden Triangle Community Mental Health Center



**REGION II ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES**

**&**

**CASCADE COUNTY CLINICAL OFFICES**

Holiday Village Mall - 2nd Level

P.O. Box 3048

Great Falls, Montana 59403

Phone: 761-2100

January 14, 1987

Steve Waldron, Executive Director  
Montana Council of  
Regional Mental Health Centers  
512 Logan  
Helena, Montana 59601

Dear Steve:

As requested by the State Council please find attached budget figures for needed additional programs in Region II. We are requesting funding necessary to establish one 24-hour supervised adolescent group home and an adolescent day treatment program to provide services for 15+ severely emotionally disturbed adolescents.

The costs on the adolescent group home were arrived at by using the FY 1986 cost report figures from one of our adult group homes and do not include any start-up or refurbishing expenses.

The costs on the adolescent day treatment program were arrived at by using the FY 1986 cost report figures from our adult day treatment program on a pro-rata census basis with some adjustments which reflect renting a facility instead of owning it. Personnel costs in this program were arrived at by program necessity and do not have any relationship to our adult day treatment program.

The total cost of the two programs will be \$342,753.90 per annum.

We've been working closely with the Great Falls School System and the Cascade County Mental Health Association to determine the need for each of these facilities. Both have been very supportive and each emphasize our communities inadequate resources for dealing with the problems of severely emotionally disturbed adolescents.

I think there should be a clear understanding that our request is meant to supplement our current level of services to the seriously mentally ill of all ages and not supplant or reduce already existing services.

Sincerely,

Dick Hruska  
Center Director

Enclosures

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## COUNTIES SERVED

BLAINE  
CASCADE

GLACIER  
HILL

LIBERTY  
PONDERA

TETON  
TOOLE

GOLDEN TRIANGLE COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH CENTER

ADOLESCENT GROUP HOME BUDGET

PERSONNEL COSTS	SALARY	FRINGE	SAL+FRINGE
MENTAL HEALTH WORKER III	13,985.00	3,915.80	17,900.80
MENTAL HEALTH WORKER III	13,985.00	3,915.80	17,900.80
MENTAL HEALTH WORKER I	12,174.00	3,408.72	15,582.72
MENTAL HEALTH WORKER I - RELIEF	6,087.00	1,704.36	7,791.36
TOTAL PERSONNEL COSTS	\$46,231.00	\$12,944.68	\$59,175.68
OTHER EXPENSES	DIR EXP	IND EXP	TOT OTH EX
CONTRACTED SERVICES	1,740.00	3,531.46	5,271.46
SUPPLIES	8,743.66	909.73	9,653.39
COMMUNICATIONS	779.14	1,112.76	1,891.90
TRAVEL	15.00	455.22	470.22
RENTS	7,200.00	1,624.83	8,824.83
UTILITIES	2,401.88	36.14	2,438.02
REPAIR/MAINTENANCE	505.34	320.22	825.56
OTHER EXPENSE	189.65	4,630.52	4,820.17
ADMINISTRATIVE OVERHEAD		29,443.77	29,443.77
TOTAL OTHER EXPENSE	\$21,574.67	\$42,064.65	\$63,639.32
TOTAL PROGRAM EXPENSE			\$122,815.00

GOLDEN TRIANGLE COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH CENTER

ADOLESCENT DAY TREATMENT BUDGET

PERSONNEL COSTS	SALARY	FRINGE	SAL+FRINGE
PSYCHIATRIC SOCIAL WORKER SUPERVISOR	24,401.00	5,002.21	29,403.21
PSYCHIATRIC SOCIAL WORKER III	22,367.00	4,585.24	26,952.24
RECREATIONAL THERAPIST	20,556.00	4,316.76	24,872.76
SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHER	20,556.00	4,316.76	24,872.76
MENTAL HEALTH AIDE	15,028.00	3,456.44	18,484.44
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SECRETARY II	13,031.00	3,388.06	16,419.06
TOTAL PERSONNEL COSTS	\$130,967.00	\$28,521.90	\$159,488.90
OTHER EXPENSES	DIR EXP	IND EXP	TOT OTH EX
CONTRACTED SERVICES	6,400.00	2,475.00	8,875.00
SUPPLIES	7,300.00	650.00	7,950.00
COMMUNICATIONS	1,000.00	800.00	1,800.00
TRAVEL	600.00	350.00	950.00
RENTS	10,800.00	1,150.00	11,950.00
UTILITIES	3,000.00	25.00	3,025.00
REPAIR/MAINTENANCE	600.00	225.00	825.00
OTHER EXPENSE	1,200.00	3,250.00	4,450.00
ADMINISTRATIVE OVERHEAD		20,625.00	20,625.00
TOTAL OTHER EXPENSE	\$30,900.00	\$29,550.00	\$60,450.00
TOTAL PROGRAM EXPENSE			\$219,938.90

**Region III Mental Health Center**  
**Justification for Increase for FY 88 - 89 State Appropriations**  
**of \$216,632 per year**

1. New Group Home (Transitional Living I)

Currently there is a waiting list of 14 people (10 men and 4 women) for a Transitional I living situation, and 8 of those 14 people are in the Montana State Hospital. A waiting list always exists, although the numbers vary. It is hard to estimate the average amount of time that a client may be on a waiting list, as availability of openings varies so much. Approximately 7 out of every 10 people on the waiting list have been in institutional care before. Many of the people that do enter a group home situation come from the Montana State Hospital in Warm Springs. A representative visits the State Hospital quarterly and generally receives between 10 and 12 referrals; consequently, a Transitional I home could always remain full from State Hospital referrals alone.

- Costs: (8 clients per day x 365 days x 95%) = 2774 client days per year
- Actual annual costs (2774 client days x \$50.16 cost per Client per day = \$139,144)
- Client pays approximately (28,378)
- Additional funding from State \$110,766  
(2774 client days x \$39.93)

2. Convert Avenue C Co-op from Transitional II to Transitional Living I.

There are currently 6 men and 2 women occupying the Avenue C Co-op. These people consist mainly of an elderly population that are chronically ill and will never improve. Their need for care and supervision will never end; therefore, if they were to leave Avenue C they would either need to be institutionalized in a nursing home or the Montana State Hospital. Clients in a co-op situation are required to carry out many tasks with limited supervision such as cooking, cleaning and keeping track of medications. The population at Avenue C Co-op are unable to carry out such tasks safely without more supervision. This increase of supervision is needed due to

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the aging process and decreased level of functioning. Consequently, there is a need to convert this Co-op to a Transitional I home to provide supervision on a daily basis.

We currently receive approximately \$15,700 per year from the State to operate Avenue C Co-op.

Annual cost to operate TI home	\$139,144
Clients pay approximately	(28,378)
Currently receive as T2 funding	<u>(15,700)</u>
Additional funding from State	<u>\$ 95,066</u>

### 3. Farm Stress Outpatient Units

In FY 86 we produced 312% of the units contracted by the State for the category of outpatient individuals 18 years and older. Many of the units are generated by our rural satellite offices for services to farmers and ranchers. There appears to be a steady increase in these types of people utilizing our services but they do not have the ability to pay the full cost of these services. The main reason they come to us, usually, is because they are experiencing a financial crisis. Therefore, we request the State to contract with us an additional 200 units of individual outpatient @ \$54 per unit for people experiencing farm stress. Total amount of additional funding is \$10,800.

Total requests for all additional funding	<u>\$216,632</u>
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## REGION IV 1988-89 BIEMMIUM EXPANDED SERVICES FOR UNDER-SERVED POPULATION

Region IV significantly produced State Eligible units in excess of the FY1986 State Contract in the following service areas:

Outpatient Individual (18+) - 3,775 hours  
Outpatient Group (0-17) - 200 hours  
Outpatient Group (18+) - 1,682 hours  
Community Living Support - 2,028 hours  
Consultation/Education - 116 hours

In addition to the above-noted over-production in last fiscal year, there are currently significant waiting lists for services in all of our treatment programs, including outpatient programs in Helena, Butte, Dillon, Anaconda and Livingston, Helena Sexual Assault Treatment Program, and the Helena Adolescent Day Treatment Program; for residence in our two transitional living facilities, and for our adult day treatment programs in Helena, Butte and Livingston. These are needs of under-served populations that cannot be met with existing resources. The following additions to the programs in the Region would help us meet these needs:

Helena -	2.0 outpatient therapists	\$ 51,612
Sexual Assault Treatment Program -	1.0 outpatient therapist	\$ 25,806
Adolescent Day Treatment Program -	1.0 outpatient therapist	\$ 25,806
	1.0 program aide (2 @ .5 FTE)	\$ 17,320
	.5 R.N.	
Butte -	2.0 outpatient therapists	\$ 51,612
Anaconda -	1.0 outpatient therapist	\$ 25,806
Dillon -	1.0 outpatient therapist	\$ 25,806
Alternative Services (includes staffing)		
1 24 hour group home		\$150,000
Day Treatment		\$155,871
Supported Employment		\$ 93,553
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b><u>\$623,192</u></b>

# western montana regional community MENTAL HEALTH CENTER

1-12-87

## BUDGET PROPOSAL 1987

Mental health centers as envisioned in 1960s legislation have been neutered to the point that the original concept of comprehensive programs is virtually defunct. With almost total elimination of preventative services planned under the title of "consultation and education" and inadequate levels of support for outpatient services, traditional programs are struggling to survive. There has been nothing to suggest that the need for mental health programs as originally conceived has changed. What has changed is the attitude and position of policy makers and legislative bodies who have come to recognize the social, emotional, and economic value of treating the chronically mentally ill in community rather than isolated state institutions. Montana has taken dramatic and important steps to deal with the chronic population. The benefits are available for all to see who will take the time to examine what has happened to institutional programs all across the country.

It is morally and socially irresponsible, however, to continue development of programs for the chronically mentally ill without adequate consideration of the need for services to the great majority of our population who can and have benefited from outpatient services. The necessity of adequate funding for outpatient services and programs for specific target groups is clearly apparent when we examine waiting lists for outpatient care and the absence of specialized programs for children, elderly, and domestic violence. Outpatient services, coupled with ongoing,

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unsolicited requests for consultation and training to a wide spectrum of social welfare programs which would benefit from the services of mental health professionals, must receive higher priority and support from funding sources.

With this in mind, the Western Montana Regional Community Mental Health Center proposes increased funding for support of the following (see attached).

WESTERN MONTANA REGIONAL COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH CENTER  
REGION V - APPROPRIATION PROPOSALS  
WORKSHEETS

1. FUNDING FOR OUTPATIENT UNITS EXCEEDING CONTRACT:  
UNITS PROVIDED IN FY 86 AND NOT FULLY FUNDED BY STATE AFTER PAYMENT FROM CLIENTS AND THIRD PARTIES:

TYPE OF UNIT	NUMBER OF UNITS PROVIDED	VALUE OF UNITS PROVIDED	NUMBER OF UNITS CONTRACTED	VALUE OF CONTRACTED UNITS	NUMBER OF UNITS IN EXCESS	STANDARD RATE OF REIMBURSEMENT	TOTAL VALUE OF EXCESS UNITS
INPATIENT I (MD)	781.38	\$82,771.58	337	\$35,698.41	444.38	\$105.93	\$47,073.17
INPATIENT II	208.25	\$9,587.83	243	\$11,187.72	-34.75	46.04	(\$1,599.89)
EMERGENCY	972	\$54,538.92	855	\$47,974.05	117	\$56.11	\$6,564.87
OP IN (ALL)	12633.9	\$682,230.60	6164	\$332,856.00	6469.9	\$54.00	\$349,374.60
OP GROUP (ALL)	2280.25	\$27,112.17	2296	\$27,299.44	-15.75	\$11.89	(\$187.27)
TOTAL VALUE		\$856,241.11		\$455,015.62			\$401,225.49
UNIT VALUE LESS THAN CONTRACT				(\$1,787.16)			
CONTRACT REIMBURSEMENT				\$453,228.46			

TOTAL VALUE UNITS PROVIDED	\$856,241.11
LESS AMOUNT REIMBURSED BY DOFI	(\$453,228.46)
AMOUNT RECEIVED FROM FEES AND THIRD PARTY	(\$296,316.10)
VALUE OF UNREIMBURSED UNITS	\$106,696.54

UNREIMBURSED  
UNITS  
BASE FY 86  
\$106,696.54

2. KALISPELL BASED OUTPATIENT CLINICIANS TO PROVIDE TRADITIONAL OUTPATIENT SERVICES AND ALSO SPECIALIZED PROGRAMS FOR:

- 1) EVALUATION/TREATMENT OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
- 2) EVALUATION/TREATMENT OF ELDERLY
- 3) CONSULTATION TO COMMUNITY AGENCIES

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

TWO MASTER LEVEL PSYCHIATRIC SOCIAL WORKERS OR PSYCHOLOGISTS (GRADE 14 STEPS 1 & 2)

	SALARY	BENEFITS	TOTAL
2 FTES	\$41,112	\$4,768	\$45,880.00
OFFICES @ \$75			\$1,800.00
DESK 2			\$500.00
CHAIRS 2			\$300.00
TABLES 2			\$200.00
COUCHES 2			\$600.00
PHONE 2			\$1,102.75
CONFERENCE			\$1,000.00
SUPERVISION (4%ADM, 2%CL) X 2			\$4,595.20
CLERICAL @ 5% OF CLERICAL STAFF		45648.11	\$4,564.81
			\$60,542.76

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OUTPATIENT S  
\$60,542.76

3. MISSOULA BASED OUTPATIENT CLINICIAN WITH EXPERTISE IN THE AREA OF GERONTOLOGY. WILL WORK WITH NURSING HOMES, SENIOR CITIZEN CENTER, SRS, PUBLIC HEALTH.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

ONE MASTER LEVEL PSYCHIATRIC SOCIAL WORKER OR PSYCHOLOGIST (GRADE 14 STEPS 1 & 2)

	SALARY	BENEFITS	TOTAL
1 FTE GRADE 14	\$20,556	\$2,384	\$22,940.00
OFFICE @ \$75			\$900.00
DESK			\$250.00
CHAIRS			\$150.00
TABLES			\$100.00
COUCHES			\$300.00
PHONE			\$551.38
CONFERENCE			\$500.00
SUPERVISION (4% ADMIN, 2% CLINICAL)			\$2,109.92
CLERICAL @ 5% OF EXISTING CLERICAL STAFF			\$2,128.58
			\$29,929.87

MISSOULA  
BASED OUTPAT  
\$29,929.87

4. POLSON BASED GROUP HOME FOR THE CHRONICALLY MENTALLY ILL INCLUDING  
PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT ENCOURAGING ACTIVE VOLUNTEER INVOLVEMENT.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

ONE MASTER LEVEL PSYCHIATRIC SOCIAL WORKER OR PSYCHOLOGIST (GRADE 14 STEPS 1 & 2)  
ONE MENTAL HEALTH WORKER (GRADE 10 STEPS 1 & 2); .5 FTE

.5 FTE GRADE 10	7514	1407.699	8921.699	
1 FTE GRADE 14	\$20,556	\$2,384	\$22,940.00	
OFFICES @ \$75			\$1,800.00	
DESK 2			\$500.00	
CHAIRS 2			\$300.00	
TABLES 2			\$200.00	
COUCHES 2			\$600.00	
PHONES 2			\$1,102.75	
CONFERENCE			\$1,000.00	
SUPERVISION (4% ADMIN, 2% CLINICAL) X 2			\$4,372.20	
CLERICAL @ 5% OF STAFF			\$4,565.00	
TOTAL AFTERCARE NON T HOME COSTS				\$46,301.65

TRANSITIONAL HOME

2.33 FTE MENTAL HEALTH WORKERS GRADE 10:1/2

1 FTE	\$15,028.00	\$2,746.67	\$17,774.67	
1 FTE	\$15,028.00	\$2,746.67	\$17,774.67	
.33 FTE	\$4,959.24	\$513.28	\$5,472.52	
TOTAL	\$35,015.24	\$6,006.62	\$41,021.86	\$41,021.86

AT T HOME

CLERICAL SUPPORT AT 5% OF CURRENT CLERICAL STAFF	\$1,022.95	\$1,022.95
RENT @ 550 W/OFFICES	\$6,600.00	\$6,600.00
FURNISHINGS	\$7,000.00	\$7,000.00
VAN	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00
CONFERENCE	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
FOOD	\$7,750.00	\$7,750.00
DAY TX SUPPLIES	\$100.00	\$100.00
RECREATION	\$700.00	\$700.00
PRINTING	\$250.00	\$250.00
JANITOR SUPPLIES	\$50.00	\$50.00
MINOR TOOLS	\$250.00	\$250.00
GAS, OIL FOR VAN	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00
TELEPHONE	\$277.00	\$277.00
TRAVEL	\$1,411.00	\$1,411.00
MAINTENANCE	\$1,050.00	\$1,050.00
JANITOR CONTRACTED	\$200.00	\$200.00
INSURANCE	\$2,431.00	\$2,431.00
UTILITIES	\$3,818.00	\$3,818.00
LICENSE	\$25.00	\$25.00
SUBSCRIPTIONS	\$132.00	\$132.00

\$137,590.46

POLSON BASED  
AFTERCARE  
W/T HOME  
\$137,590.46

5. ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT FOR PERSONNEL AND RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

1 FTE GRADE 12: \$17,431 \$2,933 \$20,363.36

DESK \$250.00  
CHAIRS \$150.00  
TABLES \$100.00  
COUCHES \$300.00  
PHONE \$551.38  
CONFERENCE \$500.00

CLERICAL @10% OF STAFF \$2,322.60  
\$24,537.34

ADMINISTRATI  
ASSISTANT  
\$24,537.34

GRAND TOTAL \$359,296.98

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BUDGET COMPARISON - LFA & OBPP

LFA

	<u>FY 86</u>	<u>FY 87</u>	<u>FY 88 (89)</u>	<u>DIFF.</u>
General Fund	\$3,866,588	3,959,542	3,866,586	(92,956)
<u>Block Grant</u>	<u>\$1,346,419</u>	<u>1,235,176</u>	<u>1,251,191</u>	<u>16,015</u>
TOTAL	\$5,213,007	5,194,718	5,117,777	(76,941)

OBPP

	<u>FY 86</u>	<u>FY 87</u>	<u>FY 88 (89)</u>	<u>DIFF.</u>
General Fund	\$3,866,588	3,959,542	3,807,002	(152,540)
<u>Block Grant</u>	<u>\$1,346,419</u>	<u>1,235,176</u>	<u>1,235,176</u>	<u>0</u>
TOTAL	\$5,213,007	5,194,718	5042,178	(152,540)

OBPP GENERAL FUND & LFA BLOCK GRANT

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(138,525)

# MONTANA COUNCIL OF MENTAL HEALTH CENTERS

512 Logan  
Helena, Mt. 59601  
(406) 442-7808

1-15-87

Jack,  
I thought that you might be  
interested in what some of our  
consumers think of their Mental  
Health Center.

Steve Waldron

## MONTANA MENTAL HEALTH CENTERS

### REGION I

EASTERN MONTANA COMMUNITY  
MENTAL HEALTH CENTER  
1819 Main Street  
Miles City, Montana 59301  
(232-0234)

### REGION II

GOLDEN TRIANGLE COMMUNITY  
MENTAL HEALTH CENTER  
Holiday Village Shopping Center  
P.O. Box 3048  
Great Falls, Montana 59403  
(761-2100)

### REGION III

MENTAL HEALTH CENTER  
1245 North 29th Street  
Billings, Montana 59101  
(252-2882)

### REGION IV

MENTAL HEALTH  
SERVICES, INC.  
512 Logan  
Helena, Montana 59601  
(442-0310)

### REGION V

WESTERN MONTANA COMMUNITY  
MENTAL HEALTH CENTER  
Fort Missoula T-12  
Missoula, Montana 59801  
(728-6870)

*When all else is lost, the future still remains. —Bovee*

December 15, 1986

Dear Senator and/or Representative:

I have received services at Mental Health Services, Inc. in Helena. I feel that I have benefited from this valuable service.

I understand that Mental Health Services, Inc., and other mental health centers in the state face potential reductions of their budgets and I am very concerned that this could affect the services that these mental health centers provide.

I strongly urge you to consider increasing current level funding for community mental health centers so that they can better meet the needs of the community.

Sincerely,

Patricia M. McElvany

COMMENTS:

I have been going to mental Health Services for  
almost three years. I have benefited alot from the  
program. If it hadent been for it, I would have  
committed suicide or not have went to treatment  
of Alcoholism. I am a alcoholic. I just hope that  
they don't cut the budget for them, it is a <sup>damn</sup> ~~damn~~  
good program and I hope to see mental Health  
stay in business for a long long time to come.

December 15, 1986

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Sincerely,

Joan R. Howell

COMMENTS:

I have always found the services  
provided by the Mental Health Services  
to be professional & of immeasurable  
value.

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Sincerely,

Deva M. Deadmond

COMMENTS:

I am very happy with the services  
rendered by the Mental Health Services in  
Helena. Dr. Lindsey is my doctor and an  
excellent psychiatrist.

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Sincerely,

Bernie T. Hedman

COMMENTS:

Decide the wonderful care our family  
has received all our foster daughters have  
had can be. The girls have turned around  
their lives. The money invested in mental  
health care for them has saved the state a lot  
in the care of problem children.

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Sincerely,

Pet Maphes

COMMENTS:

My children and I have used the  
services at Mental Health several times. They have  
helped us a great deal.

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Robert J. Benner

COMMENTS:

Without an increase in funding, the people who  
need mental health treatment and who cannot afford  
to pay for the service due to financial difficulties will not  
try seeking treatment.

I myself at times find it very difficult to pay  
the full fee for my services received.



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Sincerely,

Betty K. Hall

COMMENTS:

I feel that mental Health Service  
provides a vital service for our  
community. Without it my families &  
many others would not be able to  
afford needed services.

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A CONCERNED CITIZEN

COMMENTS

By Denial or reduction of Budgeting MHS  
there could be a possible increase in  
in "mentally" ill persons, more potential and  
possible suicides, murders, breakdowns in  
mental health AND most importantly those  
persons Denied access to Mental Health  
services will not or may not enjoy  
the quality of life they deserve because  
their mental health needs are not being  
met.

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Sincerely,

Karen Annas

COMMENTS:

If it weren't for Mental Health  
Services there would be many people  
that need help that would not get it  
because they can't afford to go elsewhere.

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Sincerely,

Stanley Smith

COMMENTS:

I believe that our state clinics  
are a benefit to the state and to  
people who need the help that is  
provided by the clinics. Otherwise we  
would have to seek other help at a  
much greater expense that most people  
could not afford.

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Sincerely,

Alan B. Belen

COMMENTS:

I feel that the Mental Health Services  
has given me the help and support of  
my problems. Its a good program, and  
cutting back fundings & services will  
stop other people from get help from  
this program. I am also grateful  
for knowing and meeting the people  
from this program. I wish I'd have  
known about the program about 4 years ago

## WITNESS STATEMENT

NAME JOHN W. HARRIS BILL NO. 100-100000

ADDRESS 5420 York Rd. Hightstown, NJ

WHOM DO YOU REPRESENT? West Side

SUPPORT ✓ OPPOSE                      AMEND                     

COMMENTS: 1) A 25 NT CT WEST SIDE CLEAR

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PLEASE LEAVE PREPARED STATEMENT WITH SECRETARY.

WITNESS STATEMENT

NAME Nancy Webster BILL NO. Appropriations  
ADDRESS Transitional House - 1101 Mississippi Ave  
WHOM DO YOU REPRESENT? Self Mental Health Services, Inc  
SUPPORT ☒ OPPOSE \_\_\_\_\_ AMEND ☒  
COMMENTS: We need more \$

Cent in group home & day program  
for adults w serious mental  
illness

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WITNESS STATEMENT

NAME Ed Kennedy BILL NO. Appropriator

ADDRESS 1106 Missoula

WHOM DO YOU REPRESENT? Self Mental Health Services Inc

SUPPORT \_\_\_\_\_ OPPOSE \_\_\_\_\_ AMEND ✓

COMMENTS: Need more \$/

Client in group home & Day  
Program for adults w/ serious  
mental illness

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WITNESS STATEMENT

NAME Ella Greenwell BILL NO. app 6p

ADDRESS 1101 Missoula Helena

WHOM DO YOU REPRESENT? ~~the~~ self

SUPPORT \_\_\_\_\_ OPPOSE \_\_\_\_\_ AMEND X

COMMENTS: need more \$ & people  
underserved.

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day program for adults w  
serious mental illness

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WITNESS STATEMENT

NAME Nancy Adams, MSc BILL NO. approp.  
ADDRESS Montana House Director  
WHOM DO YOU REPRESENT? 422 N. Main Montana Health  
SUPPORT \_\_\_\_\_ OPPOSE \_\_\_\_\_ AMEND X the

COMMENTS:

Need more # to  
meet underserved both  
in program at present +  
on waiting list  
for group homes + day  
programs for adults  
w/ long term + serious  
mental illness

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## VISITOR'S REGISTER

INSTITUTIONS

SUBCOMMITTEE

AGENCY(S) Dept. of InstitutionsDATE January 16, 1987DEPARTMENT Mental Health

NAME	REPRESENTING	SUP- PORT	OP- POSE
<i>Russell</i>	<i>Day 1</i>		
<i>Dick Hruske</i>	<i>Golden Triangle Comm. Mental Health Center</i>	✓	
<i>Bill Warfield</i>	<i>B.I. Chm. Mental Health Services</i>	✓	
<i>Scott Hargrett</i>	<i>Sec. Treas. Region 2</i>		
<i>John L. Nipper</i>	<i>Mental Health Center - Billings</i>	✓	
<i>James York</i>	<i>Mont. Council M.H. Center</i>	✓	
<i>Ward Buggs</i>	<i>Mont. Health Club</i>	✓	
<i>Joy. Nicklath</i>	<i>M.H. Assoc. of MT</i>	✓	
<i>William W. Dixon</i>	<i>Mont. Health Club</i>		
<i>Barbara D. Thompson</i>	<i>B.I. Chm. Center</i>	✓	
<i>Paul Breen</i>	<i>Christians</i>		
<i>Jim Currie</i>	<i>" "</i>		
<i>James C. Harrison</i>	<i>West Side</i>	✓	
<i>W. M. Maffitt</i>	<i>West Side development</i>	✓	
<i>Paul Cherry</i>	<i>M.H. A.M.C.</i>		
<i>Steve Wallon</i>	<i>Mont. Council of Mental Health</i>	X	
<i>Jay R. Palmatier</i>	<i>Mental Health Ctr - Missoula</i>	✓	

IF YOU CARE TO WRITE COMMENTS, ASK SECRETARY FOR WITNESS STATEMENT.  
IF YOU HAVE WRITTEN COMMENTS, PLEASE GIVE A COPY TO THE SECRETARY.