



Mental Health Services  
Oversight & Accountability Commission

# LOS ANGELES COUNTY INNOVATION PLAN

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# Los Angeles County Profile

- **Covers 4,057.88 square miles**
  - **2013 US Census Bureau\*  
Population Estimate: 10,053,995**
    - **African American: 9.2%**
    - **Asian/Pacific Islander: 15%**
    - **Euro American: 71.5%**
    - **Latino: 48.3%**
    - **Native American: 1.5%**



\* Does not add to 100% - Some categories overlap.

# Los Angeles County Innovation Program

Los Angeles County is requesting \$92,034,880.00 dollars for a five year Innovative Program titled:

## Health Neighborhoods

- The primary purpose of this Innovative Project is to promote interagency and community collaboration in order to improve access to and quality and outcomes of mental health services, including a range of community-based services and supports.
- Los Angeles County proposes Health Neighborhoods to build the capacity of underserved, diverse communities to identify and address root causes and correlates of trauma among individuals across the lifespan who are at risk of or experiencing a serious mental illness or emotional disturbance.



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- **The Health Neighborhoods Project is defined by the following five key principles:**
  1. **Interconnectedness between community health and well-being and individual community members, with a reciprocal approach to improving access and outcomes for individuals at risk of or with a mental illness;**
  2. **Social and economic determinants and correlates of health, including access and outcomes;**
  3. **An upstream approach to address social determinants or root causes of mental illness, such as trauma experienced by various age groups within specific communities;**
  4. **Further development of and support for successful partnership and community engagement strategies demonstrated through Los Angeles County's first Innovative Project, which piloted and evaluated four models of Integrated Care; and**
  5. **Community capacity building, action, and ownership to prevent or reduce trauma-related mental illness by involving communities in promoting health and well-being for their members.**



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The evaluation will do the following:

- Evaluate the impact of the overall Health Neighborhood approach as well as the individual strategies that each Health Neighborhood implements.
- Measure how each Health Neighborhood developed community-based networks and leveraged community resources and analyze the effectiveness of the partnerships that developed to determine the impact on the mental health of the target population: those at risk of or experiencing a trauma-related mental illness.
- A qualitative analysis on each Health Neighborhood to assess changes in the capacity of each to identify, serve and support individuals at risk of or experiencing trauma and its mental health consequences.
- An analysis on the impact of this project on each neighborhood.



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**Commission staff have reviewed the Innovation Plan for consistency with the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) requirements and recommends approval.**



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## Proposed Motion:

**The MHSOAC approves Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health's Innovation**

### **Project:**

- **Name: Health Neighborhoods**
- **Amount: \$92,034,880**
- **Program Length: 5 Years**

