

# HEALTH CARE AGENCY | BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES | MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ACT | PREVENTION AND EARLY INTERVENTION

# CAPITAL FACILITIES FACT SHEET

The Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) provides funding for services and supports that promote wellness, recovery, and resiliency. A portion of the MHSA funds have been specifically set aside for Capital Facilities. The County must show that use of these funds will:

- Produce long-term impacts with lasting benefits
- Move the mental health system toward the goals of wellness and recovery
- Support integrated service experiences
- Increase peer support and consumer run facilities
- Develop community based, less restrictive settings that will reduce the need for incarceration or institutionalization
- Provide for the expansion of accessible community-based services for clients and their families

### What is a "Capital Facility"?

- A building secured to a foundation which is permanently affixed to the ground
- Used for the delivery of MHSA services for mental health clients and their families or
- Used for MHSA administrative offices

## Allowable Use of Capital Facilities Funds

- Acquire and build upon land
- Acquire Buildings
- Construct Buildings
- Renovate Buildings
- Establish a capitalized repair and replacement reserve for buildings acquired with Capital Facilities funds

### **Proposed Use of Capital Facilities Funds**

In May 2012, the Health Care Agency completed the construction of a Capital Facilities-funded project on County-owned property located at 401 S. Tustin Street in Orange. The completed project occupies approximately three acres and includes three facilities designated for use by three different MHSA programs, surface parking, underground utilities, sidewalks, landscaping, landscape irrigation, fire lanes, recreation areas, an amphitheater, area lighting, building security, signage, and perimeter fencing. The official ribbon-cutting ceremony was held on April 19, 2012. The first program took occupancy and became operational on May 19, 2012 and the remaining two programs were in place and operational by August 2012.

## Programs that Occupy the Tustin Street Facility

- Adult Crisis Residential Program serves as an alternative to hospitalization for acute and chronic mentally ill persons
- Wellness/Peer Support Center offers assistance with benefits, employment, socialization, and selfreliance
- Education and Training Center, which provides support to consumers and their families who aspire to a career in mental health