



**Health & Human Services
Agency
COUNTY OF TULARE
AGENDA ITEM**

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AGENDA DATE: April 5, 2011 - **REVISED**

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| Public Hearing Required | Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> | No | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | N/A | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Scheduled Public Hearing w/Clerk | Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> | No | <input type="checkbox"/> | N/A | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Published Notice Required | Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> | No | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | N/A | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Advertised Published Notice | Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> | No | <input type="checkbox"/> | N/A | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Meet & Confer Required | Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> | No | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | N/A | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Electronic file(s) has been sent | Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No | <input type="checkbox"/> | N/A | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Budget Transfer (Aud 308) attached | Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> | No | <input type="checkbox"/> | N/A | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Personnel Resolution attached | Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> | No | <input type="checkbox"/> | N/A | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Resolution, Ordinance or Agreements are attached and signature line for Chairman is marked with tab(s)/flag(s) | Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No | <input type="checkbox"/> | N/A | <input type="checkbox"/> |

CONTACT PERSON: Noah Whitaker PHONE: 624-8000

SUBJECT: Approval of support for the National Alliance on Mental Illness proposed activities for Fiscal Year 2010/2011 through Fiscal Year 2011/2012.

REQUEST(S):
That the Board of Supervisors:
Approve support for the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Tulare County in an amount not to exceed a total of \$15,000 for Fiscal Year 2010/2011 through Fiscal Year 2011/2012 for projects reflecting the goals of the Tulare County Suicide Prevention Task Force and Tulare County Health & Human Services Agency, Mental Health.

SUMMARY:
NAMI Tulare County is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that was started in 1978 as a support group for family members of individuals with mental illness. The success of NAMI Tulare County activities helps to support the goals of the Tulare County Suicide Prevention Task Force as well as Tulare County Mental Health Services Act as mental health diagnoses are associated with a higher rate of suicide, and the prevalence of stigma prevents individuals from seeking treatment for mental health disorders. Psychological autopsy studies reflect that more than 90% of completed suicides had one or more mental disorders. Major depression is the psychiatric diagnosis most commonly associated with suicide. Approximately 2/3 of people who complete suicide are depressed at the time of their deaths. The treatment of depression is effective 60 to 80% of the time. However, according to

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World Health Organization, less than 25% of individuals with depression receive adequate treatment. Lifetime risk of suicide among patients with untreated depressive disorder is nearly 20%. The suicide risk among treated patients is 141/100,000. NAMI understands this reality and seeks to help the public understand the risk for the populations that we serve.

The approval of this support will allow NAMI Tulare County to utilize the funding for the following activities and programs for the benefit of the Tulare County public: monthly peer support groups; coordination of socialization skills for consumers; participation in the regional NAMIWalk; participation in health fairs and educational events throughout the County; organization efforts in the Central Valley Mental Health Housing Conference; Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) training in conjunction with the Tulare County Mental Health Department, the Visalia Police Department, Tulare County Sheriff's Department, and community members; participation in the "No Stigma Speakers' Bureau" which supplies speakers to community organizations; and participation in the Public Guardian's office for conservator orientation for family members or friends of the mentally ill.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

Funding for activities will be provided by the Proposition 63 Mental Health Services Act, Prevention and Early Intervention Plan as administered by Tulare County Health & Human Services Agency. Of the total requested, \$10,000 will be allocated from the Tulare County Suicide Prevention Task Force budget 001-142-6065-2150, and \$5,000 from the Prevention and Early Intervention budget 001-142-3332-2150. This is an expenditure of funds already contained within the FY 10/11 budget, and FY 11/12 budget. No Net County Cost.

LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF TULARE STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN:

The County's five-year strategic plan includes the Quality of Life Initiative that encourages innovative provision of quality supportive services for at-risk adults, youth and children in state and federally mandated programs. By validating support of these activities Tulare County is promoting an effort, through awareness, promotion, education, and reduction of stigma relating to participating in mental health services, to reduce the incidence of suicides in Tulare County. This support increases the ability to fulfill the County's five-year strategic plan through community education and awareness.

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ALTERNATIVES:

The Board could choose not to approve this support, or could find that this support does not constitute an acceptable use of public funds. This is not recommended as NAMI Tulare County is a non-profit organization that is staffed by volunteers. As such, use of funds can have a greater impact upon the Tulare County public, and all services and activities will be offered to the public at no additional fee.

INVOLVEMENT OF OTHER DEPARTMENTS OR AGENCIES:

Tulare County Suicide Prevention Task Force.

ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:

Cheryl L. Duerksen Ph.D.
Director of Mental Health

Cc: Auditor/Controller
County Counsel
County Administrative Office (3)

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF TULARE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

IN THE MATTER OF:)
Approval of support for the National)
Alliance on Mental Illness proposed)
activities for Fiscal Year 2010/2011)
through Fiscal Year 2011/2012.)

RESOLUTION NO. _____
AGREEMENT NO. _____

UPON MOTION OF SUPERVISOR _____, SECONDED BY
SUPERVISOR _____, THE FOLLOWING WAS ADOPTED BY THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AT AN OFFICIAL MEETING HELD _____
_____, BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT:

ATTEST: JEAN M. ROUSSEAU
COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER/
CLERK, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BY: _____
Deputy Clerk

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