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Chief Mental Health Officer Update City Council

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Brief Update: Children's Mental Health Initiative
SAMHSA System of Care Grant Funded: \$4,000,000

Summary:

The Children's Mental Health Initiative is a Systems of Care (SOC) effort to adapt the way we approach children's mental health in Tulsa. The philosophy of SOC is to care in an effective, compassionate, individual/family-centric manner. The intent is to increase capacity in Tulsa to serve children in need; increase coordination among different providers and organizations; and gain a better understanding of gaps in the system of care for children and families. The current project year is Year 1 with a budget of \$999,205.

CMHI Goals:

- **Goal 1:** Establish the Tulsa Children's Mental Health Initiative (CHMI) Governance Team, a sustainable infrastructure that will support the SOC for children, youth, and families in Tulsa at risk for or with SED/SMI.
- **Goal 2:** Decrease behavioral health ER encounters and unnecessary inpatient admissions for children/youth with SED/SMI by strengthening and integrating Tulsa's current crisis system.
- **Goal 3:** Increase access to an array of evidence based and culturally relevant crisis stabilization, intensive home and community-based (IHCB), and targeted and intensive case management services.
- **Goal 4:** Increase youth and family voice, leadership, and support services in the City of Tulsa.
- **Goal 5:** Increase the number of pediatric primary care and ER providers to address youth suicide prevention and mental health crisis.

Update:

The City has hired a CMHI Grant Coordinator and contracted with Family and Children's Services (FCS), Counseling Recovery Services (CRS), and Oklahoma Family Network (OFN) to provide SOC care to children and families. Healthy Minds Policy Initiative (HMPI) is also contracted to facilitate third-party evaluation of the work. Melissa Cameron, the CMHI Coordinator, began employment with the City of Tulsa on June 17, 2024.

The CMHI Governance was established to facilitate, hold accountable, sustain, and expand the work of the systems of care approach to children's mental health. They meet monthly. They have established the following mission and vision statements and are in process of writing bylaws and Memorandum of Understanding agreements between one another. **Mission:** Work with families and mental health providers to meet the unique needs facing Tulsans today. **Vision:** All Tulsans can access quality mental health care that is focused on family and youth needs.

The CMHI Crisis Advisory Group (CAG) will convene in August. This group informs the CMHI Governance and the CMHI Team of quantitative and qualitative data related to youth mental health crisis in Tulsa. The CMHI CAG is composed of school, justice, law enforcement, hospital, and behavioral health crisis response leaders.

Brief Update: Community Engagement Genealogy Project

DOJ Emmett Till Cold Case Grant Funded: \$1,075,000

Summary:

The Community Engagement Genealogy Project (CEGP) is intended to help facilitate identification of descendants of the Tulsa Race Massacre, connect them with their history and ancestry, and facilitate community education about the Tulsa Race Massacre (TRM). This is a three-year grant, with total award of \$1,075,000.00.

CEGP Plan:

- ***City of Tusa*** – Hire Community Engagement Genealogy Project Grant Coordinator to facilitate and support the work of the City and partners via grant award management, monitoring and reporting; sub-recipient technical, financial, reporting, and project implementation assistance; development and maintenance of community organization, government agency, and other stakeholder relationships related to CEGP, TRM, racial violence, justice issues, and victim advocacy; and serves as the main point of contact for community members contacted as part of the descendant identification process.
- ***Intermountain Forensics*** – Provide interactive workshops for community members to learn about genetic genealogy testing, deepen their understanding of the Tulsa Race Massacre, build a component of their family tree, and become knowledgeable of genealogy research methods; Tulsa Police Department training at the Tulsa Policy Academy on genetic genealogy testing as it relates to investigation skills, as well as victim and community impacts of the Tulsa Race Massacre; and development of a perpetual genetic genealogy curriculum for future community engagement.
 - Year 2: October 1 ,2024 – September 30, 2025
 - Three 2-day workshops for the community
 - Tulsa Police Training
 - Year3: October 1, 2025 - September 30, 2026
 - Three 2-day workshops for the community
 - Tulsa Police Training
- ***Greenwood Cultural Center*** – Serve as a community representative and liaison, providing space for meetings, public forums, classes and workshops related to the Community Engaged Genealogy Project Support community engagement and host community genealogy workshops, support TPD training to further understand the Tulsa Race Massacre and historical trauma as it relates to their job, and create an interactive, ongoing educational exhibit to increase awareness and knowledge about the Tulsa Race Massacre, survivors, and descendants, including a traveling component for utilization in other museums and/or schools. This onsite library and exhibit will allow community members to explore their family genealogy and connection to the Greenwood District and its history

Update:

The City has hired the Community Engagement Genealogy Project Grant Coordinator. Tulsa Police Department has aligned training for Tulsa Police Academy with Intermountain Forensics (IMF), date TBD. The City has collaborated with GCC to identify the first invitees for the first community workshop, date TBD. GCC is collecting bids for review and selection for the exhibit.

Brief update: Tulsa Opioid Abatement Response
OAG Opioid Abatement Grant: \$700,000

Summary:

The Tulsa Opioid Abatement Response (TOAR) is intended to be the first step in a comprehensive city-wide approach to addressing opioid and substance use (SUD/ODU) in Tulsa and supporting sustained recovery for our community members. In partnership with the Tulsa Fire Department (TFD), Tulsa Police Department (TPD), Tulsa Public Schools (TPS), and Healthy Minds Policy Initiative (HMPI), the Mayor's Office of Resilience and Equity (MORE) planned a foundational step to a multiphase, multi-partnered, multitiered City-wide substance use prevention, early intervention, and sustained recovery infrastructure for the City of Tulsa. The application included the following and requested \$2,416,737.00 for two years.

TOAR Plan:

- **City of Tulsa:** communication campaigns (raising awareness and knowledge and decreasing stigma), community-based mental health + substance abuse training, referral assistance, coordination of care, governance facilitation
- **TFD:** SUD/ODU crisis response via in-field overdose treatment, critical time medication assisted treatment, critical time intervention with peer recovery support
- **TPD:** post -overdoes/near overdoes care coordination, mobile transportation, and lab analysis for unknown seized drugs
- **TPS:** youth SUD/ODU prevention, education, and SUD/ODU counseling, youth and family outreach for SUD/ODU prevention and intervention, school personnel SUD/ODU training
- **HMPI:** Zero Overdose community-based prevention training

Update:

The City of Tulsa was awarded as a partnership application with TPS with a budget of \$700,000 for a 2-year project. A revised budget and implementation plan is required by August 13, 2024. Specific requests were denied and others were specified as needing to adhere to specific characteristics. The project period is 07/01/2024-06/30/2026. MORE and the partners are working on an updated project with new objectives, action steps, and timeline and related budget with justification for submission to the OAG office. Additional funding and payment resources are being researched. A Tulsa-wide strategic plan for substance use recovery is under development.

Brief update: Chief Mental Health Officer

Community Violence Intervention Initiative:

The City of Tulsa, in partnership with ImpactTulsa's My Brother's Keeper, submitted a proposal for the Bureau of Justice Community Violence Intervention Initiative grant on June 10, 2024. The award amount is \$2,000,000 and the project period is 10/01/2024-09/30/2027. Tulsa Community Violence Intervention Initiative (TCVII) leverages the successful, nationally-recognized *CURE Violence* model, which integrates law enforcement, grassroots organizations, outreach workers, credible messengers, and behavioral and social service providers to reduce violence in neighborhoods using a public health approach. City of Tulsa has not yet received notice of award or denial.

Unhoused/Unsheltered:

- working with partners to identify unhoused high utilizers of ED and hospitals in effort to expedite access to housing and services
- working to identify chronically unhoused Tulsa community members for potential focused individualized care with community partners

Mental Health Crisis Response:

- working with Healthy Minds and crisis response team members to amend and adapt crisis response protocol
- working with TFD and TPD on mental health engagement in non-mental health crisis

Developmental Disabilities:

- networking and supporting integrated efforts to meet needs of individuals with dual diagnosis of intellectual and developmental disabilities and mental health disorder

Domestic Violence:

- learning about existing efforts related to domestic violence and determining how to support potential next steps

Justice System:

- networking and supporting justice system diversion and advocacy for and access to mental health care

Suicide Prevention:

- future focus – building on and supporting efforts of previous initiatives and current work

Veteran and Service Members:

- future focus – building on and supporting efforts of previous initiatives and current work