SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ADMINISTRATION (SAMHSA)

Mobile Response Unit for Substance Abuse and Mental Health

Lead Department: Police Department- Human Services Division
Project Manager: Kristin Jordan

Description
Create a mobile crisis unit based on strong partnerships within the community designed to offer education, support, linkage to longer term services and crisis response. The crisis care mobile unit will be multifunctional and will respond to non-life threatening 911 calls for service. When not responding to 911 calls for service, the mobile care unit will be available to make connections with individuals in the community offering them support, information, referrals, linkage to services and education on a variety of mental health issues and concerns.

The mobile crisis unit team will be comprised of a collaborative partnership within the community lead by a social worker from the Police Department. The multi-disciplinary team will promote the prevention and treatment of mental health and substance abuse disorders, including rehabilitation, outreach, and other support services. The Village of Schaumburg and the Schaumburg Police Department (SPD) will operate the mobile response unit in partnership with the Elk Grove Police Department (EGPD), the Start Here Addiction Rehabilitation and Education (SHARE) program, Foglia Treatment Center, the Kenneth Young Center and Live4Lali.

- EGPD currently operates the Cares Program which removes barriers to obtaining inpatient treatment for drug detoxification, addiction, and drug recovery needs. Included in this program, is the ability for police to assist in placing people with a drug addiction in a detoxification or recovery facility.
- The SHARE program also offers a variety of addiction services to include detoxification, inpatient, outpatient, evening outpatient, dual diagnosis, and a substance abuse aftercare program.
- Foglia Family Foundation Residential Treatment Center offers innovative inpatient care services for anxiety, addiction, and Post Traumatic Stress Disorder.
- The Kenneth Young Center is a community based mental health service provider. The Kenneth Young Center offers individual and group counseling, operates a drop-in center, employment services and a psychosocial rehabilitation program.
- Live4Lali works to reduce stigma and prevent substance use disorder, and seeks to minimize the overall health, legal and social harms associated with substance use. Live4Lali offers education, advocacy, peer support and harm reduction for substance abuse issues. This organization has been active in the Schaumburg area as a willing participant in police department preventative and community outreach efforts.

This team of highly skilled and professional organizations would offer a collective environment to address the mental health, crisis and substance abuse needs within the community through the mobile crisis unit. The unit would be staffed during peak hours to accommodate the greatest needs for mental illness related incidents. During these hours, staffing would include a specially trained social worker and police officer who would co-respond with the focus of providing help and treatment for the person involved.
The unit would also be used to provide proactive care and education in the community. Instead of health care professionals being stationed in an office requiring people to travel, the mobile crisis unit would come to the community in partnership with the above listed agencies offering a varied and comprehensive menu of services from prevention through recovery. Working with both the police and fire departments, the mobile crisis unit would take on the complex issues of mental illness and substance abuse from multiple angles to reduce unnecessary ambulance transports to the emergency room and reduce the number of individuals entering the criminal justice system.

**Project Justification**

There has been an increasing recognition that many 911 calls for service involve mental health crisis, substance abuse issues, and family problems. New and innovative solutions are needed to provide help to those involved and reduce the law enforcement oriented response and focus on providing a long-term solution for subjects suffering from mental health issues. More communities are implementing mobile crisis or co-response units which provide immediate stabilization during a crisis by offering emergency counseling, performing welfare checks, mediation, and transportation to treatment programs.

Nationally and locally the numbers show an upward trend in 2020 in both areas of mental health crisis and substance abuse related overdoses and deaths. The past year has seen an overall increase in calls to crisis hotlines, suicide attempts and suicides within the United States. The Disaster Distress Helpline reported an 891% increase in call volume in March of 2020 compared to calls to the hotline the previous year. Suicides in 2020 ranked as the 10th leading cause of death in the United States and 90% of those had a diagnosable mental health condition. SPD responded to 337 calls related to mental health needs in 2020. Opioid related deaths have been trending up in Illinois since 2018 with Schaumburg seeing a record number of overdoses in 2020. The provisional numbers for 2020 nationwide opioid related deaths are on target to be the highest in years. SPD responded to 443 drug and alcohol related calls for service in 2020. The police and local communities are feeling the impact of these crisis.

The local court systems have also seen an increase in mental health cases which have led to arrests and entrance into the criminal justice system. Although the Rolling Meadows Courthouse, 3rd District for Cook County, has an active mental health diversion program, a more preventative and proactive approach would reduce strain on the courts and hospitals and reduce trauma for those already struggling with debilitating mental health and substance abuse problems. A mobile crisis unit with a multi-disciplinary team supported by our partnered service providers offers the greatest opportunity to provide immediate assistance. An on-scene response of this type of unit would also allow SPD the ability to provide immediate guidance and assistance to victims and their family members. After the emergent situation is resolved, it is often difficult to follow up with those involved, so providing an immediate mobile response will not only benefit the person experiencing the crisis at the time, but it will also benefit the family member’s support system.

**Project Expenses**

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## Project Funding

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Community Project Funding Request
Mobile Response Unit

Standard Information:
Requesting Entity: Village of Schaumburg
Type of Entity: State, local or tribal government
Address of organization: 101 Schaumburg Court, Schaumburg, IL 60193
Website: http://schaumburg.com/

Your Point of Contact for This Request:
Name: Kristin Jordan
Title: Supervisor of Human Services
Phone Number: 847-348-7395
Email Address: kjordan@schaumburg.com

Project Info:
Project Name: Mobile Response Unit for Mental Health and Crisis Intervention

Purpose of Project:
Mobile Crisis Unit

Postal Address of Project:
101 Schaumburg Court, Schaumburg, IL 60193

Requested Funding Amount for FY 22:
$335,000

Subcommittee:
Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies

Agency:
Department of Health and Human Services

Account:
Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)

How would this project benefit the public and why would it be a good use of taxpayer dollars?
Mobile Crisis units offer a direct, community based approach to crisis. They offer face to face, immediate, and short-term mental health services with staff embedded in the community who can assist in stabilizing the crisis on scene and with the navigation of longer term treatment options. This offers the possibility to reduce unnecessary hospitalizations, decrease contact with the criminal justice system and provide a more comprehensive response to community crisis and calls for 911 service.

Why should this request be considered a priority for the people of Illinois or Illinois’ 8th District?
This program would serve as a pilot program for the first year with the possibility of expansion. It has the ability to be a model for other communities in the future. A proactive and innovative approach to the provision of mental health, substance abuse and crisis situations is needed. Because there has been a lack of adequate funding and availability of mental health and
affordable substance abuse services within communities, this has resulted in an increased reliance on 911 calls for service and police response to manage complex mental health, substance abuse and family situations.

Utilizing a mobile unit comprised of uniquely trained social workers who are in the community and available for emergency response ensures people’s needs are being met at the time of the crisis and increases the safety of the individual. Provision of services by mental health professionals at the point of crisis reduces reliance on transports to emergency rooms and arrests leading to the criminal justice system. This unit would be embedded in the community with the hopes of:

• increased community connection to vulnerable populations
• education
• linkage to services
• transportation to services
• emergency response to 911 calls with police
• mediation of a crisis
• immediate intervention
• de-escalation of crisis
• provision of emergency counseling
• assistance with payment of outpatient treatment and medication
• decrease in transports to the ER and contact with the criminal justice system

Please attach here any documentation that demonstrates local support for this project:
The Village of Schaumburg has always maintained a strong commitment to the health of its community. The Community Development Block Grant provides regular support for health care and prescription drugs, child care, adult day care for persons with disabilities, transitional housing support, homeless prevention and services, dental hygiene program for persons with disabilities, support for the Senior Barn Meal Program and domestic violence services. To learn more about where the funding is allocated follow the link to the CDBG website page.


Please provide a breakdown here of how this funding would be used (salaries, construction, etc.):
Outfitted Mobile Crisis Unit: $170,000
Licensed Social Workre: $115,000
Payment for services: $40,000
Training: $10,000

Payment for services would include payment for medication management, psychiatric and therapeutic services, transportation needs and outpatient treatment and recovery programming.

The agencies entering into this program agreement for provision of services would receive payment for services rendered for the treatment and recovery services of substance abuse and mental health needs. These funds would be utilized to stabilize individuals in their recovery process.
Community Project Funding Request
Mobile Response Unit

Is this a new or ongoing project?
New

What is the timeline of completion for this project and will the project require additional federal funding in future fiscal years?
The program requires the purchase of a mobile unit, specialized equipment, and staff. Once these items are purchased and staff is hired, the program can provide immediate services within the community. This program will be a pilot program offering room for further expansion in the future if funding and community partnerships remain available. If resources are not available in the future, the Schaumburg Police Department would maintain an ability to operate the mobile crisis unit in a more limited capacity in its ability to provide the unit and a social worker to respond to needed 911 calls for service.

If the Appropriations Committee is not able to provide the full amount of funding requested, can this project start in a limited capacity?
Yes, this program could operate in a more limited capacity without the purchase of a mobile unit.

Is this project currently authorized in law? Where? If not applicable, please write “N/A”.
N/A

If this project has been included in a presidential budget request, please indicate that here and detail how much and in what fiscal year:
N/A

If this project has received any funding in the past, from either a public or private source, please detail that here:
This program has not been funded in any capacity in the past. This would be a new program.

If you are proposing report language to accompany this CPF request, please write that language here and indicate if similar language has ever been included in a previous year:
N/A

If this project requires a non-federal cost-share, please indicate that here and explain how you can demonstrate that the non-federal share will be met:
This program does not require a non-federal cost share.

Does any derogatory information, as well as any potentially mitigating information, exist that would render the entity potentially unsuitable for receiving community project funding? Please explain if applicable.
There is no derogatory information pertaining to the Village of Schaumburg or the Schaumburg Police Department. The Village of Schaumburg has a history of being at the forefront of service and programming within its community as evidenced by its support and implementation of a Family Counseling Center, Teen Center, Crime Free Multi Housing Program, hiring its first police social worker in 1978 and ensuring police officers received Crisis Intervention Training. SPD has a history of community policing and social workers stationed within the department. The community has a positive relationship with both sectors of the policing unit as it currently stands. Prevention and immediate response to a crisis increases the chance for immediate face to face crisis response, connection, de-escalation in the moment and linkage to longer term services post crisis.
If submitting multiple requests, please rank this request in terms of priority:
#5 of 5

Please list all Members of the House and Senate who are receiving this request:
Representative Krishnamoorthi
Mobile Response Unit

Attachment- Letters of Support
April 19, 2021

The Honorable Raja Krishnamoorthi
U.S. Representative 8th District
1701 E. Woodfield Rd., Ste 704
Schaumburg, IL 60173

RE: Request for Funding for Mobile Response Unit

Dear Representative Krishnamoorthi:

The Elk Grove Police Department would like to encourage you to support the Village of Schaumburg’s request for funding a mobile response unit.

Substance abuse, mental health problems and a need for an immediate social work response with the police is an ongoing need within our community. With an increase in the demand for crisis services, inpatient treatment and ongoing outpatient services, the mobile response unit would provide a more immediate and effective response to some of these issues. When communities partner together to utilize their individual strengths for a comprehensive response, we believe this not only benefits the individual but the community as well.

Elk Grove Village Cares offers a new community based approach to tackle addiction issues and help those in need. The Elk Grove Cares program offers an innovative approach to education, prevention, and direct access to treatment of addiction issues. The Elk Grove Police Department is supportive of the Village of Schaumburg’s quest for the Mobile Response Unit and we look forward to our ongoing partnership with them.

Please feel free to contact me at 847-357-4113 if you would need any additional information concerning this request.

Sincerely,

[Signature]
Deputy Chief Michael Garrison

cc: Kristin Jordan, Supervisor of Human Services
The Kenneth Young Center would like to encourage you to support the Village of Schaumburg’s request for funding a mobile response unit.

Substance abuse, mental health problems and a need for an immediate social work response with the police is an ongoing need within our community. With an increase in the demand for crisis services, inpatient treatment and ongoing outpatient services, the mobile response unit would provide a more immediate and effective response to some of these issues. When communities partner together to utilize their individual strengths for a comprehensive response, we believe this not only benefits the individual but the community as well.

As you know, Kenneth Young Center specializes in multidimensional responses to mental health needs, including individual, family and group counseling, medication, psychosocial rehabilitation program, transitional housing, and employment counseling. As a partner to the Village of Schaumburg, we would be able to better serve and provide a more immediate diagnosis and/or treatment to individuals experiencing a mental health issue.

Please feel free to contact me at 847-524-8800 if you would need any additional information concerning this request.

Sincerely,

Grace Hong Duffin
President & CEO

cc:  Kristin Jordan, Supervisor of Human Services
April 19, 2021

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U.S. Representative 8th District  
1701 E. Woodfield Rd., Ste 704  
Schaumburg, IL  60173

RE: Request for Funding for Mobile Response Unit

Dear Representative Krishnamoorthi:

Live4Lali would like to encourage you to support the Village of Schaumburg’s request for funding a mobile response unit.

Substance use, mental health disorders and a need for an immediate social work/peer recovery specialist response with the police is an ongoing need within our community. With an increase in the demand for crisis services, inpatient treatment and ongoing outpatient services, the mobile response unit would provide a more immediate and effective response to some of these issues. When communities partner together to utilize their individual strengths for a comprehensive response, we believe this not only benefits the individual but the community as well.

Live4Lali works to reduce stigma and prevent substance use disorder among individuals, families, and communities, and minimize the overall health, legal and social harms associated with substance use. Live4Lali would partner with the Village of Schaumburg to be a part of their mobile crisis solution responding to their community needs.

Please feel free to contact me at 844-584-5254, Ext. 803 if you would need any additional information concerning this request.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Laura Fry, Executive Director  
Live4Lali, Inc.  
3255 N. Arlington Heights Road, Suite 508  
Arlington Heights, IL 60004  
www.live4lali.org

cc: Kristin Jordan, Supervisor of Human Services
April 19, 2021

The Honorable Raja Krishnamoorthi
515 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

RE: Schaumburg Community Project Funding Request- Mobile Response Unit.

Dear Representative Krishnamoorthi:

I am writing in support of our Community Project Funding (CPF) request for a mobile response unit program for mental health and substance abuse services.

Substance abuse, mental health problems and a need for an immediate social work response with police present an ongoing need within our community. Communities have seen an increase in a need for crisis services, inpatient treatment, and ongoing outpatient services. It is our belief that when communities partner together to utilize our individual strengths in a comprehensive response this not only benefits the individual but the community at large.

A proactive and innovative approach to the provision of mental health, substance abuse and crisis situations is needed. The village’s request is to create a mobile crisis unit that offers education, support, linkage to longer term services and crisis response within the community. A crisis care team will be positioned within the community as a mobile care unit that is also available to respond to non-life threatening 911 calls for service. The crisis care team will be composed of a collaborative partnership within the community lead by a social worker from the Police Department, with partnerships from the Elk Grove Police Department, Foglia Treatment Center, Kenneth Young Center, the SHARE program and Live4Lali.

Therefore, I respectfully request your consideration of the village’s application for the mobile response unit through the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) program.

If I can be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me at 847-923-9104.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

District Office: 11 North Roselle Rd, Schaumburg, IL, 60194     847-923-9104     staterepmussman@gmail.com
April 19, 2021

The Honorable Raja Krishnamoorthi
U.S. Representative 8th District
1701 E. Woodfield Rd., Ste 704
Schaumburg, IL 60173

RE: Request for Funding for Mobile Response Unit

Dear Representative Krishnamoorthi:

The SHARE program would like to encourage you to support the Village of Schaumburg’s request for funding a mobile response unit.

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The SHARE program specializes in the treatment of addictions. We offer a comprehensive approach to treatment by recognizing the need for multi-level treatment options. The SHARE program offers the following services to adult males and females: medically monitored detox program, residential rehabilitation program, outpatient, and gambling treatment services. By partnering with the Village of Schaumburg, we would be able to provide a comprehensive level of care for addiction issues within the community. The SHARE program would be interested in partnering with the Village of Schaumburg to be a part of their mobile crisis solution responding to their community needs.

Please feel free to contact me at 847-882-4181 if you would need any additional information concerning this request.

Sincerely,

[Signature]
Bruce Sewick, LCPC, CADC
CEO

cc: Kristin Jordan, Supervisor of Human Services
April 19, 2021

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Washington, DC 20515

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Therefore, I respectfully request your consideration of the village’s application for the mobile response unit through the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) program.

If I can be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me at 847-923-4402.

Sincerely,

Tom Dailly
Village President