

**Grants Partners
Meeting Minutes
11/1/2023**

Meeting start time: 8:33 AM

Attendees: 21

Stakeholders/Partners	Affiliation	Attended
Adrienne Montero-Camacho, SOS Coordinator & Case Manager	University of La Verne	
Alexandra Oliva, Director of Student Outreach and Engagement	The School of Arts and Enterprise	
Alyssa Bostrom, Lieutenant	Pomona Police Department	Y
Angie Besiant	Pomona Valley Hospital	
Anthony Hostetler, Credible Messenger	Just Us 4 Youth	
Ashley Cortez	Community member	
Brad Paulson, Sergeant	Pomona Police Department	
Brenda Lopez, Administrative Assistant - MHSA	Tri-City Mental Health Authority	
Brittany Nguyen, Community Capacity Organizer	Tri-City Mental Health Authority	
Cherylee Grove, Teacher Specialist, School Mental Health Services	Pomona Unified School District	Y
Christina Vera, President	National Alliance on Mental Illness-Pomona Valley	
Corey Hall, Mental Health Specialist	Tri-City Mental Health Authority	Y
Cynthia Garcia, Mental Health Specialist	Tri-City Mental Health Authority	Y
Dana Barford, Director of MHSA and Ethnic Services	Tri-City Mental Health Authority	
Debbie Johnson, Program Manager	Tri-City Mental Health Authority	Y
Elizabeth (Liz) Renteria, Chief Clinical Officer	Tri-City Mental Health Authority	Y
Enrique Villa, Director of Strategic Communications	Gente Organizada	
Eric Vasquez, Founder/CEO	Just Us 4 Youth	
Erin Sapinoso, Program Analyst II (Grants)	Tri-City Mental Health Authority	Y
Ernesto "Ernie" Rios, Sergeant	Pomona Police Department	
Ezequiel De La Torre, Coordinator I, Community Schools Initiative	LA County Office of Education	
Frank Cambero, Detective	La Verne Police Department	
Frank Guzman, President	Pomona Pride Center	
Hannah Sprague, Communications Coordinator	Tri-City Mental Health Authority	Y
Isaura Campos-Argumosa, Supervisor	LA County Dept. of Child & Family Svs.	Y
Janolyn (Jill) Trojanowski, Manager Social Work, Palliative Care and Spiritual Care Services	Pomona Valley Hospital ER	Y
Jay Alvarado, Sergeant	La Verne Police Department	
Jennifer Curlowicz	Pomona Valley Hospital	
Jeri Sprewell, CWA Program Supervisor I	Tri-City Mental Health Authority	
Jessica Arellano, Administrative Assistant	Tri-City Mental Health Authority	Y

Joshua Salazar, Student Identity Development & Education Coordinator, Pride Center	Cal Poly Pomona	
Karissa Gonyea, Supervisor, Social Work and Palliative Care	Pomona Valley Hospital ER	Y
Keith Colder, Clinical Wellness Advocate III	Tri-City Mental Health Authority	Y
Keri Zehm, Program and Outcomes Analyst Supervisor	Tri-City Mental Health Authority	
Kevin Ward, Assistant Superintendent	Claremont Unified School District	
Kim Griffin Esperon, Coordinator III, Community Schools Initiative	LA County Office of Education	
Kitha Torregano, Human Resources Manager	Tri-City Mental Health Authority	
Kristyne McPhail, Mental Health Support Specialist	Bonita Unified School District	
Lisa Banks-Toma, Mental Health Coordinator	Claremont Unified School District	Y
Lisa Naranjo, MHSA Program Supervisor	Tri-City Mental Health Authority	
Luis Antonio Orozco, ResQ Coordinator	Just Us 4 Youth	
Marga Methu, Clinical Therapist I	Tri-City Mental Health Authority	Y
Mark Rodgers, Senior Director, Student Services	Bonita Unified School District	
Markie Sterner, Clinical Supervisor	Tri-City Mental Health Authority	Y
Michael Stephens	Just Us 4 Youth	Y
Mike Cizek, Captain	Claremont Police Department	
Milagros "Millie" Monroy, Youth and Family Services Liaison	Claremont Unified School District	
Monica Rivas, Assistant Regional Administrator	LA County Dept. of Child & Family Svs.	
Moriah Holmes, Program Analyst II	Tri-City Mental Health Authority	Y
Natalie Majors-Stewart, Chief Compliance Officer	Tri-City Mental Health Authority	
Myrna Reynoso Torres, Community Schools Initiative MHSA	Los Angeles County Office of Education	Y
Nicholas Chang, Clinical Wellness Advocate II	Tri-City Mental Health Authority	Y
Nicole Lobato, PhD, Clinical Program Manager—ATC & TCG	Tri-City Mental Health Authority	
Octavio Hernandez, Clinical Supervisor I	Tri-City Mental Health Authority	
Patti Azevedo, Program Administrator, Pupil & Community Services	Pomona Unified School District	
Paul Osorio, Community Mental Health Trainer	Tri-City Mental Health Authority	
Ramon Coronado, Care Services Coordinator	Cal Poly Pomona	
Raquel Capacete	Cal Poly Pomona	
Rimmi Hundal, Executive Director	Tri-City Mental Health Authority	
Rosa Leong, Senior Liaison of Youth and Family Services	Claremont Unified School District	Y
Ruben Cueva	Community member	
Ryan Rodriguez, Lieutenant	Pomona Police Department	
Sandra Sharma, Supervisor	LA County Dept. of Child & Family Svs.	
Sara Rodriguez, MHSA Projects Manager	Tri-City Mental Health Authority	

Shawn Smith, Med Support Team/Walk in Crisis/IOET/PACT Manager	Tri-City Mental Health Authority	
Sulettma (Suly) Gutierrez, Credible Messenger	Just Us 4 Youth	
Tremale Ratcliffe, Program Supervisor (Youth & Young Adult Employment Services)	Just Us 4 Youth	
Trevor Bogle, Controller	Tri-City Mental Health Authority	
Weston Prisbey, Interim Assistant Dean for Health and Well-Being	Cal Poly Pomona	
Yvette Meneses	Los Angeles County Office of Education	

Welcome and Introductions

- Virtual meeting (potential return to hybrid/in-person in future)
- Review of housekeeping rules, values, and agenda
- Introductions via chat and in person
- Anonymous demographic data survey (request for each attendee to complete at every meeting)
 - o Access via link (<https://forms.microsoft.com/r/j6r5jej7PE>) or QR code



Mobile Crisis Program

- Reminder of program mission
- LA DMH
 - o TCMHA Mobile Crisis Care will be part of LA County DMH's response
 - o Coordinating with LA County DMH is ongoing to determine details of implementation and operation
- Process map
 - o More processes to develop include triaging and what to do in case of opioid emergency
 - o Feedback from Karissa (PV Hospital) regarding voluntary transport and coordination with hospital: Request for clarification on type of hospital—depends on the situation. PV Hospital is a trauma center and medical emergencies are the priority. Concerned about 5150 hold. There is no guarantee of psychiatric services or bed availability. It is important to communicate with client about the experience of going to the hospital.
 - o TCMHA team will consult real-time registry of available psychiatric beds.
 - o Feedback from Jill (PV Hospital) regarding minors: It is important to communicate to parents/guardians that they must remain with the child. The child experience in the emergency room/trauma center is different. The longer to hold the child, the longer it takes to transfer. Just because they are in a hospital does not mean they will receive immediate psychiatric services. There is a high volume of kids being brought in from school, and they wait for days.
 - o TCMHA will consider developing a youth-specific MCC process.
 - o The hope is that Mobile Crisis Care program as an intervention with triage and response will decrease visits to the hospital.
- Additional Crisis Care Mobile Units grant funding
 - o \$1.5M request submitted for personnel costs/time for triage and dispatch, relationship building and coordination, outreach and engagement, training and technical assistance, equipment and supplies, and marketing

Mental Health Student Services Act

- Reminder of program mission
- Staffing update
 - o Clinical therapist is starting at end of November; clinical team will be fully staffed
- Data outcomes and impact
 - o Review of referrals, screenings, and outreach activities
- Upcoming events, activities, and training
 - o Fathers Group: November 16
 - o Let's Talk Student Wellness Webinar: November 16
 - o Youth Mental Health First Aid: January 25
- Review of MHSSA-specific webpage mockup
 - o Comment from Rosa (Claremont USD): how do people share information to post on TCMHA's website?
 - Contact MHSSA staff (Liz, Debbie, Markie, Erin) to coordinate with Hannah (communications coordinator)
 - o Comment from Michael (JU4Y): how are flyers distributed? He did not receive the TAY online survey information. Be sure to include QR codes for easy access to website, referrals, etc.
 - o Possibility for co-branding and demonstration of collective effort
 - o Maximize access to feedback

Youth engagement

- Send email to MHSSA to set up meeting and review of services

Partner news and announcements

- None at this time

Next grants partners meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 13 at 8:30 AM.

Meeting end time: 9:26 AM



Grants Partners Meeting #12

November 1, 2023: 8:30 AM

We will begin the meeting shortly.



Presenters

Liz Renteria
Chief Clinical Officer

Debbie Johnson
Deputy Chief Clinical Officer

Erin Sapinoso
Grants Manager

Markie Sterner
MHSSA Clinical Supervisor



Housekeeping

RingCentral



- ▷ Remain on mute when not speaking; unmute when you would like to speak.



- ▷ Use the “Raise Hand” option to let us know you would like to say something.



- ▷ Chat is available for typing questions and comments and to participate in activities.

Values

- ▷ Mission-focused
- ▷ Organization; effective and efficient work
- ▷ Respect and being respectful
- ▷ Open-mindedness and out-of-the-box thinking
- ▷ Openness and honesty (“the good, the bad, the ugly”)
- ▷ Address challenges and acknowledge strengths
- ▷ Positive communication



Agenda

- ▷ Welcome
 - ▷ Introductions
 - ▷ Demographic survey
- ▷ Mobile Crisis Care/CCMU
 - ▷ Mission
 - ▷ LA DMH
 - ▷ Process map
 - ▷ Infrastructure funds
- ▷ MHSSA
 - ▷ Mission
 - ▷ Staffing
 - ▷ Data: outcomes and impact
 - ▷ Events, activities, and training
 - ▷ Webpage
- ▷ Youth engagement
- ▷ Partner news and announcements

Welcome

Introductions

- ▷ Name
- ▷ Position
- ▷ Organization



Data and Reporting

- ▷ Request for demographic information of partners
- ▷ Voluntary and anonymous survey
- ▷ Complete at every grants partners meeting
- ▷ Link: <https://forms.microsoft.com/r/j6r5jej7PE>
- ▷ QR code



Mobile Crisis Care

Reminder: Mission

Provide individuals experiencing crisis with care and support and meet their needs by creating a system of mobile crisis response that is timely, makes the path to accessing mental and behavioral health care clear, and delivers culturally and linguistically relevant resources and services

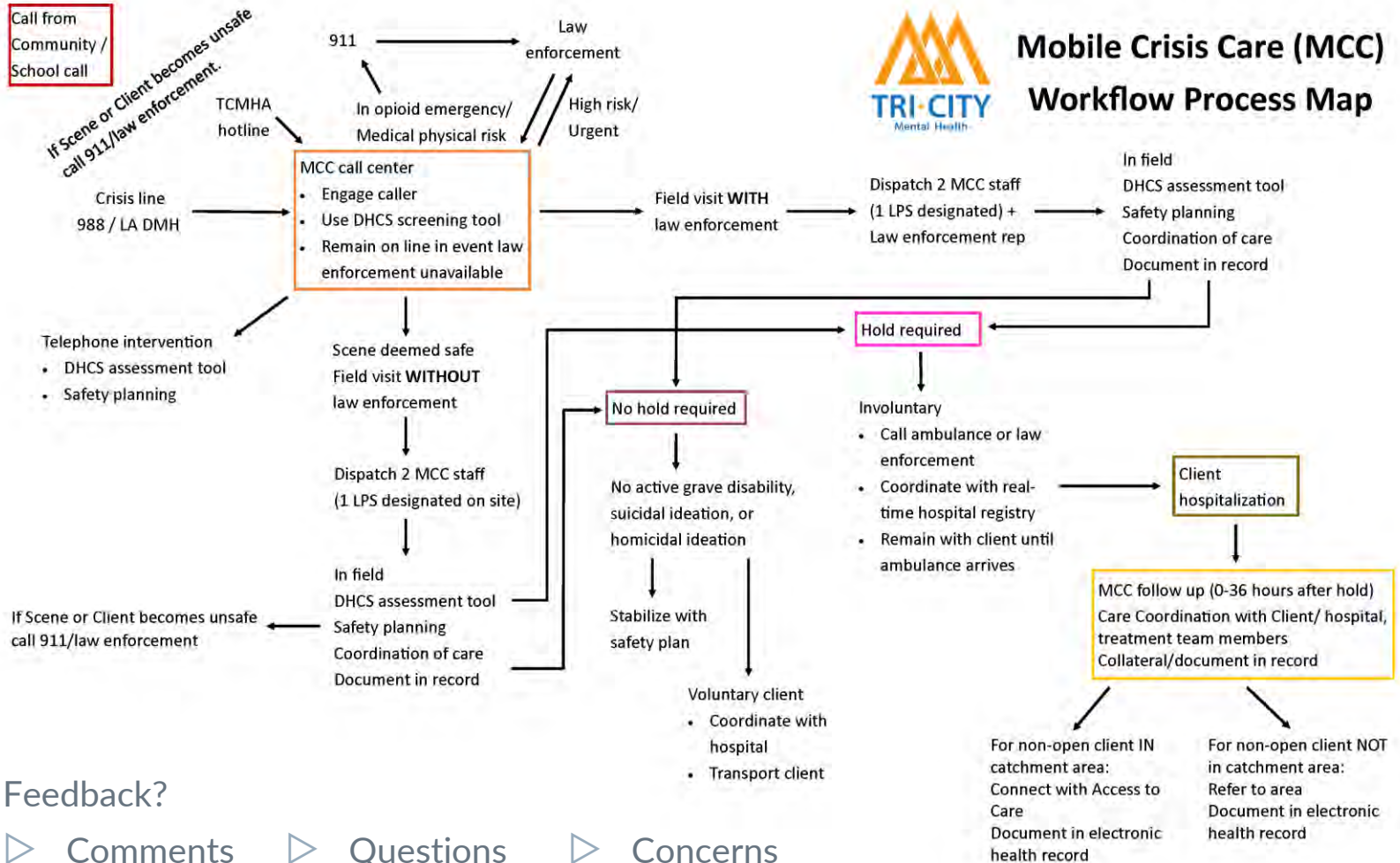


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▶ Updates



Mobile Crisis Care (MCC) Workflow Process Map



Feedback?

- ▶ Comments
- ▶ Questions
- ▶ Concerns



Process Map (cont.)

Entity-specific processes—work in progress

- ▷ Law enforcement
- ▷ Schools
- ▷ Considerations?

Crisis Care Mobile Units Grant

Additional funding for infrastructure

- ▶ Request for \$1.5M submitted 10/31



Mental Health Student Services Act

Reminder: Mission

Increase access to collaborative, coordinated, culturally relevant, community and school-based services to youth by building a robust staffing structure and by strengthening partnerships with local school districts, charter school, higher education, law enforcement, health providers, and community agencies to support recovery, assist with obtaining mental health services, and create rapid access-to-care pipelines and linkages to resources

Staffing Update

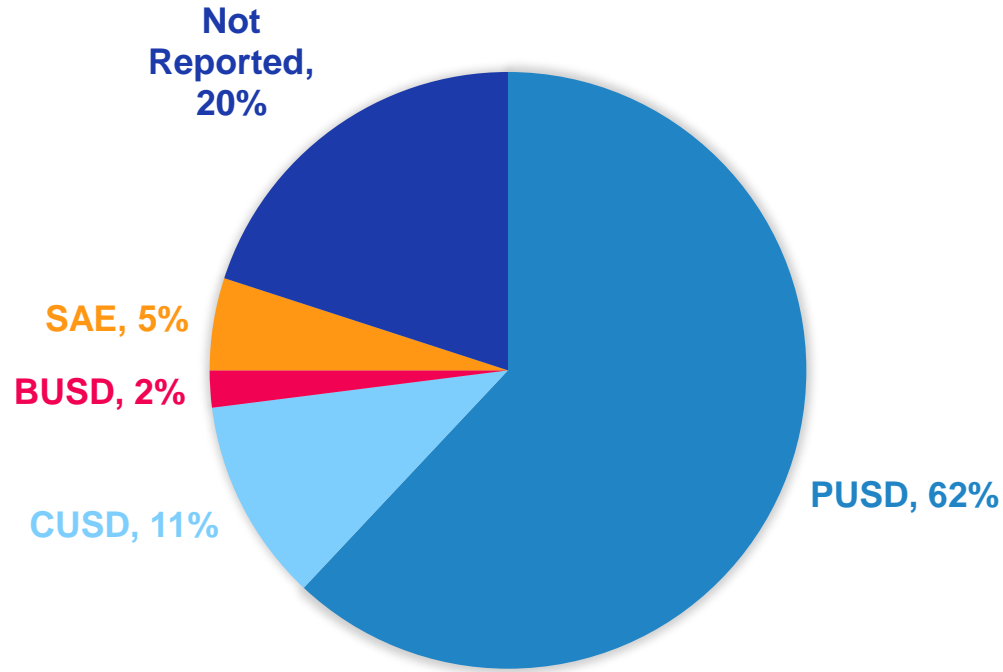
- ▷ A new Clinical Therapist will be starting at the end of November.

Data: Outcomes and Impact

Data Reporting Period - 9/12/23 to 10/27/23

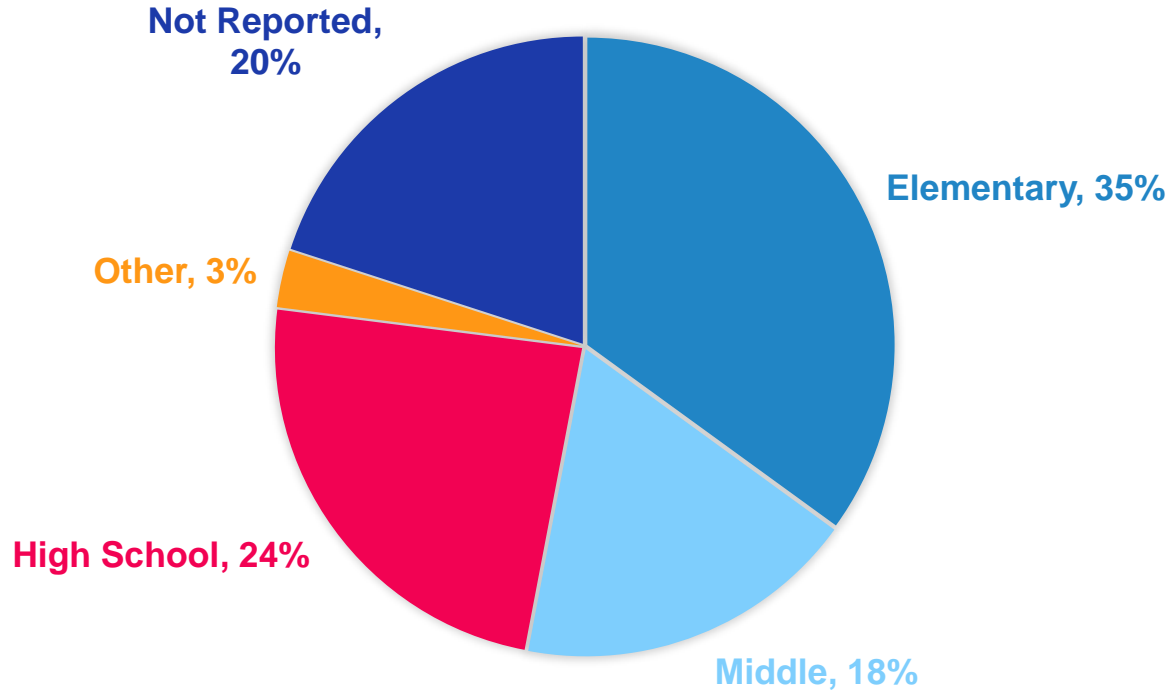
- ▷ Referrals Received: 55
- ▷ Screenings Completed: 36 (65%)
- ▷ Outreach & Training
 - ▷ Events Hosted = 4
 - ▷ Events Attended = 1

Referrals Received by District/School



Data Reporting Period - 9/12/23 to 10/27/23

Referrals Received by School Type



Data Reporting Period - 9/12/23 to 10/27/23

Upcoming Events and Activities

Training

Youth Mental Health First Aid: January 25, 2024

Community learning

- ▷ Fathers Groups: November 16
- ▷ Let's Talk: November 16

MHSSA Webpage

- ▷ Mockup review
 - ▷ Feedback
 - ▷ Questions
 - ▷ Concerns
 - ▷ Suggestions



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MENTAL HEALTH STUDENT SERVICES ACT

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Vision: For all students to have access to the necessary services and supports to become healthy, resilient adults and for schools to provide the nurturing, trauma informed environments that support behavioral health and education outcomes.

Goals: Reduce dropout rates, suspensions and expulsions, and increase suicide prevention awareness and reduce suicide risks by augmenting therapeutic and support services to school sites.

MHSSA

EVENTS

[Calendar Events \(List View\) Here](#)

[Professional Development/training](#)

[Community Learning Events](#)

[Father Group & Wellness Series](#)

[Partner Meetings & Activities](#)

In March 2022, Tri-City Mental Health Authority (Tri-City/TCMHA) accepted a Mental Health Student Services Act (MHSSA) grant from the California [Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission \(MHSOAC\)](#) in an effort to meet the following aims:

- To promote school mental health as a prime opportunity to reach and serve at-promise children, families and neighborhoods;
- To reach children, youth, and their families in an environment where they are comfortable and that is accessible; and
- To help students succeed.

Through this MHSSA grant project, Tri-City is fostering stronger school-community mental health partnerships that can leverage resources to increase access to collaborative, culturally-relevant, coordinated, family-driven, community and school-based services for **at-promise youth and young adults (ages 25 and under) in Pomona, Claremont, and La Verne. This includes foster youth, youth who identify as LGBTQ+, and youth who have been or at risk of being expelled or suspended from school.**

The MHSSA project launched in December 2022 and collaborative partners include Pomona Unified School District, Claremont Unified School District, Bonita Unified School District and The School of Arts and Enterprise.

Tri-City is following a “no wrong door” philosophy, removing barriers to timely access to care, and providing youth and young adults with mental health services on school campuses. **Services include early intervention, suicide prevention, drop-out prevention, evidence-based mental health practices, and development and coordination of service plans to address ongoing needs.**

[Frequently Asked Questions](#)

[MHSSA Feedback Page\(s\)](#)

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HELPFUL LINKS

Mental Health Services Oversight
& Accountability Commission

Links to all subgrantees and
community partners

Youth Helplines & resources

SUBGRANTS

As part of its MHSSA project, Tri-City makes grant funds available for partners to support efforts that provide increased access to mental health services. Through this endeavor, TCMHA continues to support recovery, to assist youth with obtaining mental health services and to create rapid access-to-care pipelines and linkages to resources. In July 2023, the following organizations were selected for MHSSA sub-grant awards:

- **Cal Poly Pomona**
- **Claremont Unified School District**
- **Just Us 4 Youth**
- **Pomona Unified School District**
- **The School of Arts and Enterprise**

HOW TO ACCESS SERVICES/MHSSA REFERRALS

Can include MHSSA Referral Form and FAQs

REPORTS

List reports, plans, data dashboards

Create new "MHSSA News" subcategory to tag articles about news, press release, subgrant information, reports, etc.



01 February 2023

TRI-CITY IS ACCEPTING SUB-GRANT APPLICATIONS FOR THE MENTAL HEALTH STUDENT SERVICES ACT (MHSSA) PROJECT

[READ MORE](#)



04 October 2022

STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT REPORTS AVAILABLE FOR CCMU AND MHSSA GRANTS

[READ MORE](#)



26 April 2022

COMMUNITY FEEDBACK SESSIONS FOR MENTAL HEALTH STUDENT SERVICES AND CRISIS CARE

[READ MORE](#)

[LOAD MORE](#)

Youth Engagement

Online Youth Survey

- ▶ How have partners shared?
- ▶ <https://tinyurl.com/yeysufjz>



Youth Commissions

- ▷ Pomona Youth Commission: October 5
- ▷ Claremont Teen Committee
- ▷ La Verne Youth & Family Action Committee



Partner News and Announcements

Next Meeting

8:30 AM Wednesday, November 29, 2023

OR

8:30 AM Wednesday, December 13, 2023

Comments or Questions?

Thank you!

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