

COMMUNITY-DEFINED EVIDENCE PRACTICES: ADVANCING RESPONSIVE CARE FOR CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES

**Children and Youth Behavioral Health Initiative
Scaling Evidence-Based and Community-Defined Evidence Practices
Grant Program**

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I. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

[California's Children and Youth Behavioral Health Initiative \(CYBHI\)](#)¹ represents a transformational statewide investment to improve behavioral health outcomes for children, youth, and families. As part of this effort, the California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) launched the [Scaling Evidence-Based Practices and Community-Defined Evidence Practices Grant Program](#)² to expand access to behavioral health services statewide.

This report highlights the implementation and impact of community-defined evidence practices (CDEPs). CDEPs are culturally rooted, community-led approaches developed through lived experience, local knowledge, and trusted community relationships. Unlike traditional evidence-based practices (EBPs) that rely on formal clinical research, CDEPs are validated through demonstrated effectiveness within the communities they serve. These practices are particularly important for addressing disparities in behavioral health access and outcomes among historically underserved populations. This includes Black, Indigenous, and People of Color (BIPOC) communities and Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Intersex, and Asexual (LGBTQIA+) youth and families.

Across five competitive grant rounds, DHCS awarded more than **\$45 million** to **82 CDEP grantees** implementing culturally responsive behavioral health programs in **33 California counties**. These investments support a wide range of services, including parent and caregiver support, trauma-informed care, early wraparound services, youth-driven programs, and early-intervention practices. Grantees include community-based organizations deeply connected and representative of the populations they serve, delivering services in schools, neighborhoods, healthcare settings, and trusted community spaces.

This report shows how investments made through this grant program are scaling CDEPs and increasing access to culturally-relevant behavioral health care. CDEPs reduce barriers to access, build trust, and strengthen engagement through culturally responsive

¹ [California Code, WIC 5961.5](#)

² [California Code, WIC 5961](#)

approaches. Funded programs incorporate community traditions, language access, peer support, family engagement, and flexible service delivery models that reflect participants' lived experiences.

Early outcomes demonstrate emerging impact. Between July 2023 and May 2026, CDEP grantees served over **13,600 participants**, including children, youth, parents, and caregivers. Of those with data available³, **63%** showed improvements in functional or clinical outcomes, **90%** reported satisfaction with services, and **83%** achieved successful discharge or completion. Participants also reported gains in mental health, daily functioning, social connectedness, trauma recovery, and family relationships.

Participant demographic data further demonstrates the program's reach among historically underserved communities. Many participants identified as Hispanic or Latino, Black or African American, Asian, Native American and Alaska Native, and LGBTQIA+.

These findings highlight the role of CDEPs in improving equitable access to care and expanding services for populations that have historically experienced barriers to behavioral health support.

Beyond individual outcomes, the report highlights CDEPs' contributions to broader system transformation. Grantees identified trust-based community relationships, multilingual services, transportation support, flexible scheduling, and participant-driven program design as critical for improving enrollment, retention, and engagement. These approaches show how community-defined models can strengthen behavioral health systems by prioritizing equity, responsiveness, and community leadership.

As California advances behavioral health reform through CYBHI and complementary initiatives, CDEPs remain essential to building a more inclusive and responsive system of care. The experiences and outcomes in this report show that culturally grounded, community-led approaches are reaching underserved populations and helping children, youth, and families feel seen, supported, connected, and empowered in their healing journeys.



³ Data points reflected when pre- and post-measures were reported by a grantee.

II. WHY COMMUNITY-DEFINED EVIDENCE PRACTICES MATTER AND HAVE IMPACT

The Scaling Evidence-Based Practices and Community-Defined Evidence Practices Grant Program (EBP/CDEP grant program) is a central component of the California Department of Health Care Services' (DHCS) work under the Children and Youth Behavioral Health Initiative (CYBHI).

Within this broader effort, CDEPs leverage culturally grounded practices that are rigorously validated by diverse communities.

CDEPs are:

- » **Culturally Rooted Approaches:** Firmly anchored in the traditions, values, and worldviews of the communities they emerge from.
- » **Community-Led Innovation:** Developed and sustained by the communities they serve, these practices address real-world challenges and reflect genuine local priorities.
- » **Proven Through Lived Experience:** CDEPs gain legitimacy from firsthand knowledge and real-world application. They focus on outcomes observed in practice rather than relying entirely on traditional research. This helps bridge the gap between theory and practice with solutions that are practical, flexible, and impactful.

CDEPs also address social determinants of behavioral health, such as intergenerational trauma and community violence, which are often missed in traditional care models. In this way, CDEPs complement EBPs by integrating culturally relevant and community-specific approaches to behavioral health care.

While EBPs are validated through clinical and empirical evidence (such as randomized controlled trials, peer-reviewed studies, and publications), CDEPs draw on the lived experiences and traditions of specific communities, making them especially effective for groups that have been historically marginalized. Communities can also develop CDEPs by adapting an EBP to meet their community's needs with community collaboration.

California's investment in CDEPs through CYBHI represents an equity-driven approach aligned with statewide behavioral health reform. It also builds on previous investments, such as the California Reducing Disparities Project (CRDP), funded by the California Department of Public Health through its Office of Health Equity (OHE), which aims to build the evidence base for 35 pilot CDEP programs. The CRDP is supporting the data collection and evaluation of these CDEPs to promote practices

that connect with historically underserved populations. Additionally, it seeks to identify strategies for systemic change to integrate CDEPs into the public behavioral health delivery system⁴.

Scaling CDEPs is a cornerstone of the grant program, as these practices:

- » Address persistent gaps in access and outcomes.
- » Are designed by and for historically marginalized populations, including BIPOC and LGBTQIA+ communities.
- » Are uniquely positioned to reduce systemic barriers in accessing behavioral health care.

The emerging impact of this approach is reflected not only in the program design, but in the experiences of participants. One participant described being on the verge of giving up before connecting with services:

"I was close to giving up... My counselor encouraged me to take these classes... They've helped me cope and see things better. We have a safe place to live, my baby gets what he needs, and I'm learning how to be a mom. It's still hard... but I'm more hopeful."

For this participant, access to culturally responsive support and stable services helped her move from crisis toward stability and home, highlighting how these programs provide not just services, but a foundation for long-term well-being.



⁴ <https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/OHE/pages/crdp.aspx>

III. COMMUNITY-DEFINED EVIDENCE PRACTICES, A CORE COMPONENT OF THE CYBHI FRAMEWORK

Building on this foundation, this report highlights the scope, structure, and early implementation of the CDEP component.

Across five funding rounds, grant awards were awarded to support a wide range of behavioral health priorities. These priorities were identified in partnership with community members, practitioners, and system leaders. Each round prioritized proposals aimed at improving behavioral health outcomes for populations of focus identified by the CRDP. To date, DHCS has awarded \$45 million to 82 CDEP grantees across five funding rounds.

These grants represent both the expansion of existing programs and the development of new models designed to meet community-defined needs. The CDEP list includes organizations, programs and services that meet criteria to be listed as a CDEP, including adaptation and modification of EBPs through community collaboration. The chart below outlines the five funding rounds, along with the number of CDEP awards and the total funding allocated to CDEPs within each round.

Rounds of Funding	CDEPs Awarded	CDEP Funding
Round 1: Parent and Caregiver Support Programs and Practices (Awarded July 2023)	13	\$5,919,803
Round 2: Trauma-Informed Programs and Practices (Awarded December 2023)	9	\$5,349,280
Round 3: Early Childhood Wraparound Services (Awarded September 2024)	7	\$4,618,548
Round 4: Youth-Driven Programs (Awarded December 2023)	33	\$17,786,056
Round 5: Early-Intervention Programs and Practices (Awarded March 2024)	20	\$11,382,443
TOTAL	82	\$45,056,130

Table 1: Overview of CDEP Awards and Funding by Round

Data Source: TKTK DHCS - Evidence-Based and Community-Defined Evidence Practices Grants (<https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/children-and-youth-behavioral-health-initiative-default/evidence-based-and-community-defined-evidence-practices-grants/>) & CYBHI Bi-monthly Grantee Compliance List | Dataset Used: CYBHI Bi-monthly Grantee Compliance List | Dates Represented: 2023 and 2024 | Date downloaded: 2024 | Prepared by Behavioral Health Evaluation Strategies, LLC.

How Community-Defined Evidence Practices Are Changing Behavioral Health

These results point to a broader shift in how behavioral health care is delivered.

The Scaling EBP/CDEP Grant Program reflects DHCS's values-driven funding approach, aligned with the equity principles in the DHCS Equity Framework.

This strategy ensures that funding prioritizes practices that:

- » Reduce disparities
- » Affirm culturally responsive care
- » Address the needs of historically marginalized populations

The CDEPs funded through this program are improving access to high-quality behavioral health services for children, youth, and families. The program prioritizes early-intervention and prevention efforts, with a particular focus on the needs of BIPOC and LGBTQIA+ youth.

DHCS's strategy for scaling these practices is multi-faceted, reflecting the diverse needs across California. As outlined in the DHCS Scaling EBP/CDEP Grant Strategy, the program is organized into three strategic categories:

- » **Expanding an organization's operations and capacity to provide services.**

This includes supporting training for behavioral health professionals (clinical and non-clinical), community- or faith-based organizations, parents or caregivers, and others, as appropriate. The goal is to deliver culturally responsive, gender-affirming behavioral health care and support to children, youth, and their families or caretakers.

- » **Enabling the replication and adaptations of well-established practices.**

This includes those listed in Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration's (SAMHSA) EMP Resource Center, the California Evidence-Based Clearinghouse for Child Welfare (CEBC), or practices manualized for replication. It also includes community-determined practices shown to be effective. Funding supports organizations expanding practices geographically

or for additional populations of focus, or offering new delivery of practices with additional implementation support.

» **Exploring potential policy innovations.**

This supports innovations that could lead to sustainable funding strategies.

IV. STATEWIDE REACH

This work is not limited to a single approach or region. It is being implemented across the state. Geographic reach was a central priority of the Scaling EBP/CDEP Grant Program, with funding intentionally distributed across diverse regions of the state.

As a result, CDEPs funded through this program are currently being implemented in 33 of California's 58 counties.

This reflects the program's broad geographic distribution and demonstrates its commitment to serving children, youth, and families in both urban and rural settings.

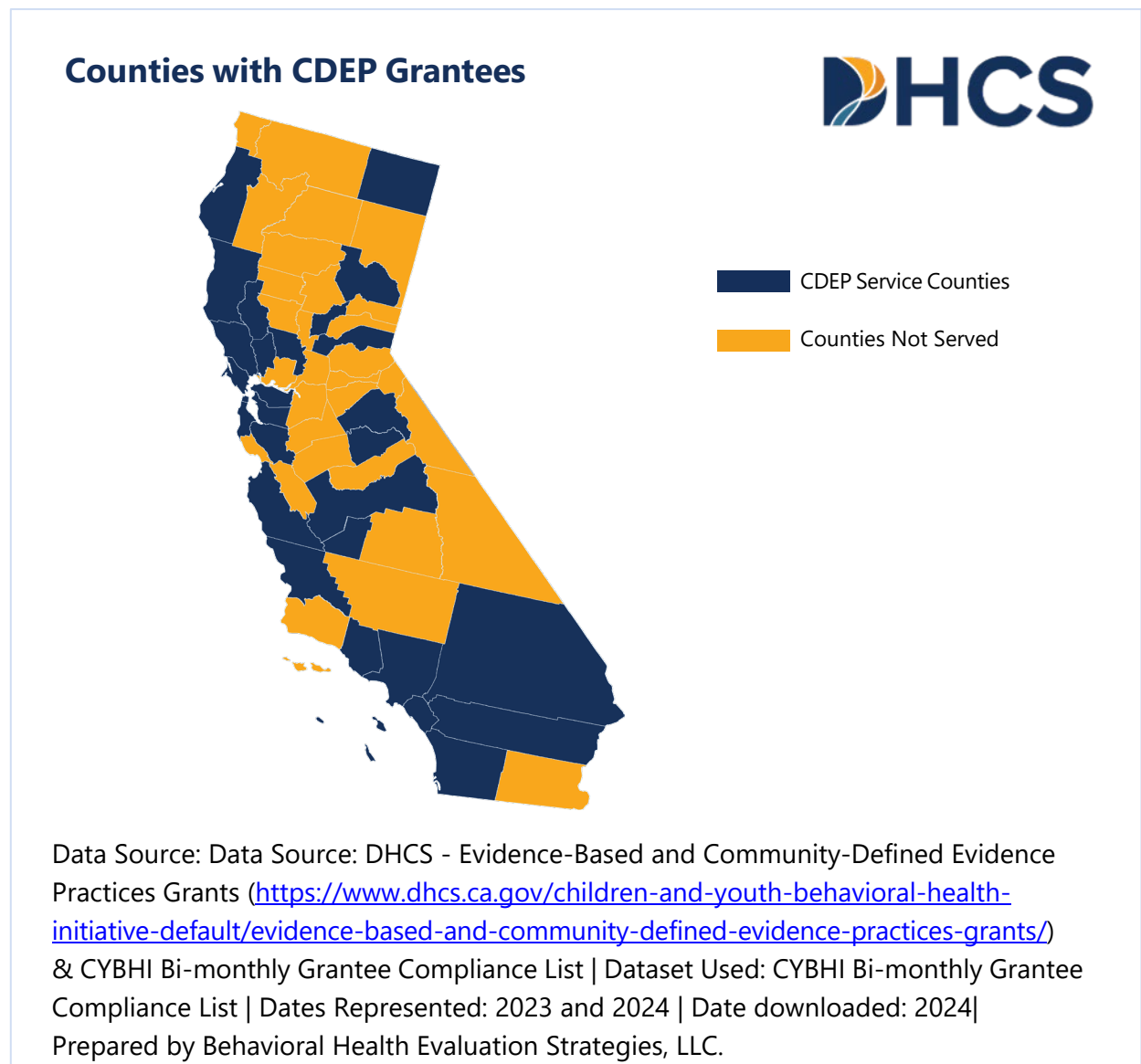


Figure 1: Map of California Counties with CDEP Grantees

V. EXAMPLES OF COMMUNITY-DEFINED EVIDENCE PRACTICES IN ACTION

CDEP investments take shape in different ways depending on community needs. CDEPs bring culture and community wisdom to life through embracing strengths, traditions, and lived experiences of the communities they serve.

The following examples illustrate how different programs are designed to meet the needs of specific populations across the state.

Native American/Indigenous

Sacred Path Indigenous Wellness Center provides culturally relevant prevention and trauma-informed treatment programs to the American Indian/Alaska Native (AIAN) community in Los Angeles and Orange counties. The Center serves as a guide for other urban AIAN organizations across California, offering early-intervention services and traditional activities for AIAN children and youth to build resilience to high-risk conditions.

- » Organization: Sacred Path Indigenous Wellness Center
- » Round: 2 – Trauma-Informed Programs and Practices
- » CDEP Name: Traditional Wellness Program
- » Grant Amount: \$750,000
- » County: Los Angeles

African American/Black

The Village Project offers the Emanyatta Project, a Massai word meaning “Warrior’s Camp.” The Warrior’s Camp teaches children of African ancestry in grades K–4 about their culture and heritage. The Village Project meets clients where they are, offering academic classrooms and enrichment spaces for youth across all programs, and raising community awareness about the services and programs it provides.

- » **Organization:** The Village Project, Inc.
- » **Round:** 2 – Trauma-Informed Programs and Practices
- » **CDEP Name:** Emanyatta Pilot Project
- » **Grant Amount:** \$400,000
- » **County:** Monterey

Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Intersex, Asexual (LGBTQIA+)

The Lavender Youth Recreation and Information Center's (LYRIC) Youth Drop-In Center serves as a physical hub where queer and trans youth can access safety, affirmation, and tailored leadership opportunities and resources. The Center offers access to harm reduction supplies, sexual health resources, technology, recreational activities, and other supportive services. LYRIC staff provide a wide range of programs, including housing navigation, basic needs assistance, and weekly peer support and community groups. The drop-in center also maintains strong links to public services and LGBTQIA+ organizations, connecting youth with health and wellness services, including primary-care, sexual and gender-affirming health care, HIV treatment, STI screening, and mental health services such as counseling, therapy, and psychiatry.

- » **Organization:** LYRIC (Lavender Youth Recreation and Information Center)
- » **Round:** 4 – Youth-Driven Programs
- » **CDEP Name:** LGBTQIA+ Youth Drop In Center
- » **Grant Amount:** \$340,493
- » **County:** San Francisco



VI. TRANSFORMING LIVES THROUGH COMMUNITY-DEFINED EVIDENCE PRACTICES: RESULTS AND IMPACT

Through both program expansion and new implementation, CDEPs are making behavioral health services more accessible and culturally responsive for children, youth, and families across California. By drawing on community knowledge and focusing on diverse needs, these programs strengthen engagement, improve outcomes, and help individuals feel seen and supported in their care.

The emerging impact of this work is reflected in participant experiences across programs.

Holistic Wraparound Support

One client attended a primary-care medical appointment and shared that she was struggling to eat and was at risk of becoming homeless. Medical providers were able to connect her with additional support the same day. She later completed services and reported that she feels healthy and happy.

Addressing Basic Needs

Another participant shared that when they were no longer able to pay rent, the program provided support so they did not have to sleep in their car.

Community Building

Participants also describe the role of connection and community in their experience of care. One shared, "Seeing past students come out to volunteer and reconnect has been [a] testament of art being a healing mechanism and a way to continue being in community with one another."

Behavioral Health, Trauma Recovery, and Skill Building

Participants report meaningful changes in how they understand and respond to challenges. One parent shared, "This class showed me why my style of parenting was not effectively working with my child... My child was always angry. I'm trying to change as best as I know how."

Together, these themes and experiences reflect findings from grantee reports and demonstrate how CDEPs make a difference in the lives of children, youth, and families.

VII. WHAT THE DATA TELLS US

These individual experiences are supported by early outcome data, which provide additional insight into participant progress, satisfaction, and program completion across CDEPs. Each CDEP measures impact differently, depending on program design, populations served, and data collection methods. However, all grantees report on shared indicators, including participant progress, satisfaction, and successful discharge or completion rates.

Across all CDEPs, successful discharge rates were high, with an average above 80%. Outcome measures show improvements in:

- » Mental health, daily functioning, overall well-being, and social connectedness
- » Reductions in disruptive behaviors and overall difficulties among children and youth
- » Reductions in post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) symptoms and general distress among children and youth
- » Reductions in parental stress

Together, these results provide an early snapshot of program effectiveness while recognizing that many participants remain actively engaged in services.

Results By Funding Round

The information below summarizes early results from grantee-reported data collected July 2023 through March 2026 and provides additional context on the scale of participation across programs.

ROUND 1: Parent and Caregiver Support Programs and Practices

1,042 participants served

- » 81% showed improved outcomes in the areas of mental health, daily functioning, general well-being, and social connectedness.
- » 91% satisfaction rate
- » 82% successful discharge rate

One mother shared: "I admit I was close to giving up, giving up my baby, because this is so hard... My counselor encouraged me to take these classes, she said they'd help me cope and see things better. I admit these classes have encouraged me to keep striving for a better future."

ROUND 2: Trauma-Informed Programs and Practices

564 participants served

- » 80% showed improved outcomes in the areas of mental health, daily functioning, general well-being, and social connectedness
- » 93% satisfaction rate
- » 54% successful discharge rate

One teacher shared: "I just wanted to say again how the peace corners have transformed my classroom and my professional practice, thank you for this extra vision and innovation! I have a student who has many autistic qualities but has found ways to work in school so that he has straight A's."

ROUND 3: Early Childhood Wraparound Services

353 participants served

- » 54% showed improved outcomes in the areas of mental health, daily functioning, general well-being, and social connectedness
- » 97% satisfaction rate
- » 71% successful discharge rate

One parent shared: "This should be an ongoing service for parents with kids of special needs because we bear the burden not just as parents but learning to be our own advocate, handling stress that other parents don't, and being able to stay emotionally calm and present to help our special needs kids stay calm and not traumatize them with our own trauma so this has been very, very helpful."

ROUND 4: Youth-Driven Programs

7,674 participants served

- » 52% showed improved outcomes in the areas of mental health, daily functioning, general well-being, and social connectedness
- » 98% satisfaction rate
- » 83% successful discharge rate

One participant shared: "Given how so often mental health for queer and trans people can be massively unstable due to various circumstances, and how much of the world wants us illegal/dead, these little things really do show there are people who still care in this world. There is still good in this world, and people who want to help. These gender affirming supplies really can help people keep their heads above water, including myself."

To put it bluntly, these can truly be life-saving supplies.”

ROUND 5: Early-Intervention Programs and Practices

4,053 participants served

- » 70% showed improved outcomes in the areas of mental health, daily functioning, general well-being, and social connectedness
- » 71% satisfaction rate
- » 79% successful discharge rate

One counselor shared: “From my perspective as a campus mental health counselor, I’ve seen this mindfulness initiative move beyond a simple wellness program. It has become a vital part of our community’s coping toolkit. The fact that three of our faculty members focused their sabbaticals on these practices has brought a unique clinical depth to our classrooms, while our partnerships with campus clubs have allowed us to meet students where they are. We’re seeing a real shift in the clinical “temperature” of the campus. There is a more patient-centered vocabulary being used to describe stress, and both faculty and students are more likely to pause and stay present during difficult moments. It’s created a much-needed buffer that helps us all respond to the pressures of the semester with a bit more grace and resilience.”

Understanding the Data

To support consistent interpretation of results, the following definitions are used across reporting.

How participants are counted:

- » Participants can be counted more than one time if they received multiple interventions or returned for additional episodes of care.
- » Note: Round 4 Youth-driven programs primarily operate as drop-in centers or use a clubhouse model, where services are ongoing and participation is not limited to a defined start or end date.

What “positive outcome” means:

- » Any improvement in assessment score from pre- to post-intervention.
- » This definition does not incorporate clinical thresholds, severity bands, or other measures of clinically significant change.

What “satisfaction” means:

- » Satisfaction with services in this report is based on responses to Question 1: “Overall, I am satisfied with the services I received.”
- » Satisfaction indicates that a participant answered “agree” or “strongly agree” on a five-point scale.

What “successful discharge” means:

- » Two (2) values are included as an indication of a successful discharge: “Mutually agreed cessation of treatment (Successful Completion)” and “Clinically referred out.”

Outcomes and Satisfaction Results

To support consistent reporting across grantees and communities, a shared set of indicators was established, including outcomes measures, discharge or completion metrics, and participant satisfaction surveys.

This section reports outcomes from the four (4) National Outcome Measures (NOMS) subscales, the most used outcomes measure among grantees. The NOMS assesses functioning and well-being across four (4) domains: Mental Health, Handling Daily Life, General Well-Being, and Social Connectedness.

Data are presented by funding round and reflect early program outcomes, recognizing that many participants remain enrolled and behavioral health interventions often take time to complete.

CDEPs are helping expand access to behavioral health services for historically underserved and underrepresented communities across California. As CDEPs continue to scale, the grant program clearly demonstrates who is being reached, how community members are accessing services in culturally relevant ways, and how these approaches strengthen trust, engagement, and connection to care. This makes them uniquely positioned to address gaps that traditional models may not fully reach.

Strengthening our understanding through data, community outcomes, and testimonials from participants and providers can further illustrate how CDEPs are supporting more responsive and inclusive behavioral health systems statewide.

CDEP are driving equity impact through the grant program. CDEP grantees have reported success within their communities:

- » Community trust drives enrollment more than formal marketing. Community-trusted networks and word-of-mouth referrals are identified as the most effective pathways to enrollment. *"We have youth walking [in] every day wanting to be part of our program. We do not do a lot of recruiting, because all of our participants tell all their friends."* - CDEP Grantee
- » Demonstrated reduction in structural barriers to access through community-responsive scheduling, transportation provision, virtual service delivery, multilingual services, and streamlined referral services. *"The ease of the referral, the quick turnaround - sometimes within the week. There's not many hoops to jump through."* - CDEP Grantee
- » Flexible participant-driven program design supports retention. Active listening and responsiveness to participant feedback and needs are integral to engagement with CDEP services. *"We tailor to their schedule-we do those family visits when the kids are available to accommodate them, if they're in sports, if they have activities at their school, tutoring, whatever it is."* - CDEP Grantee
- » Improvements in family communication and relationships are a consistent finding across programs. *"I really enjoy when the parents call us, and they're really happy about their [children's] behavior changes, whether it's in school or at home. [The program is] really making that positive change."* - CDEP Grantee



VIII. CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILIES

ACCESSING CARE: A DATA SNAPSHOT

This snapshot provides a high-level profile of individuals who were served by CDEP grantees. The figures shown represent a point-in-time view of participant characteristics, outcomes, and satisfaction with services.

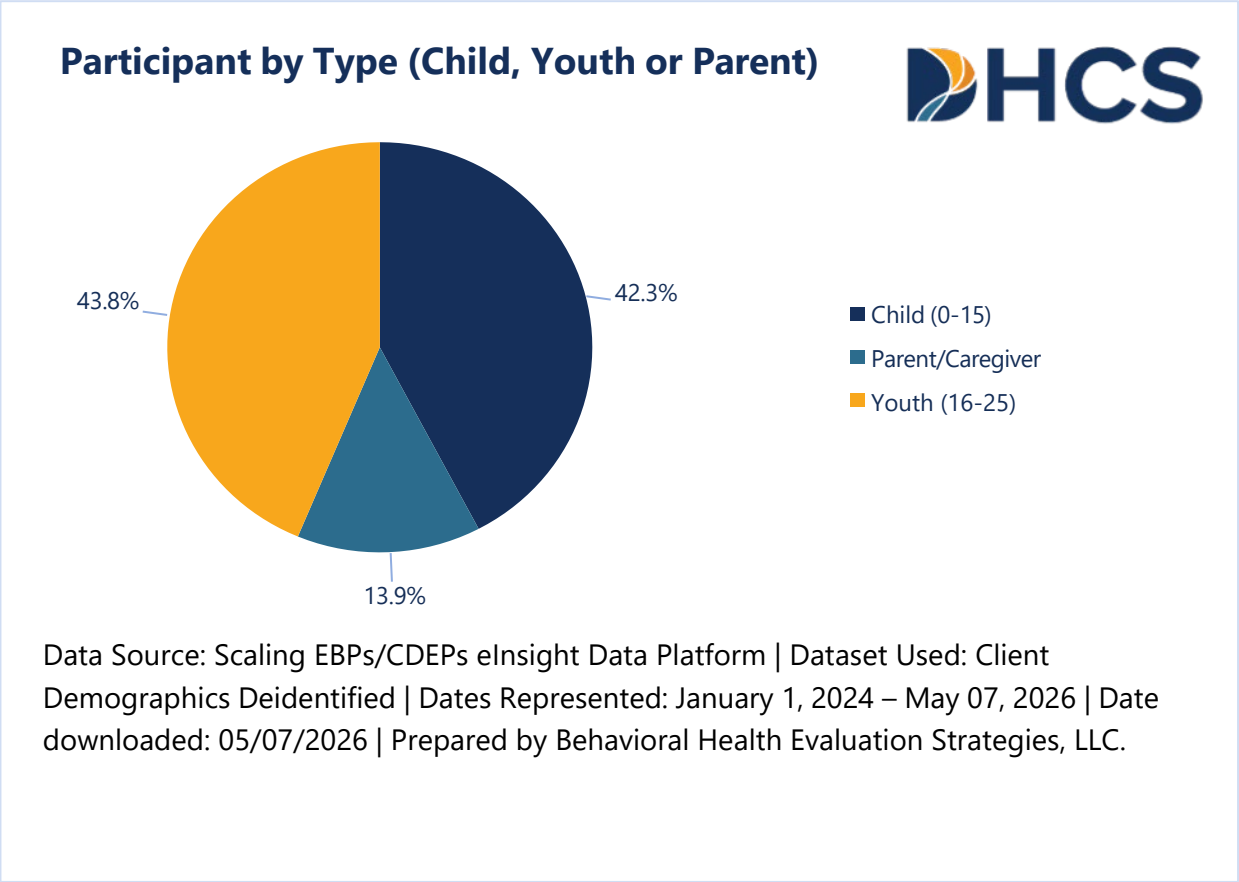
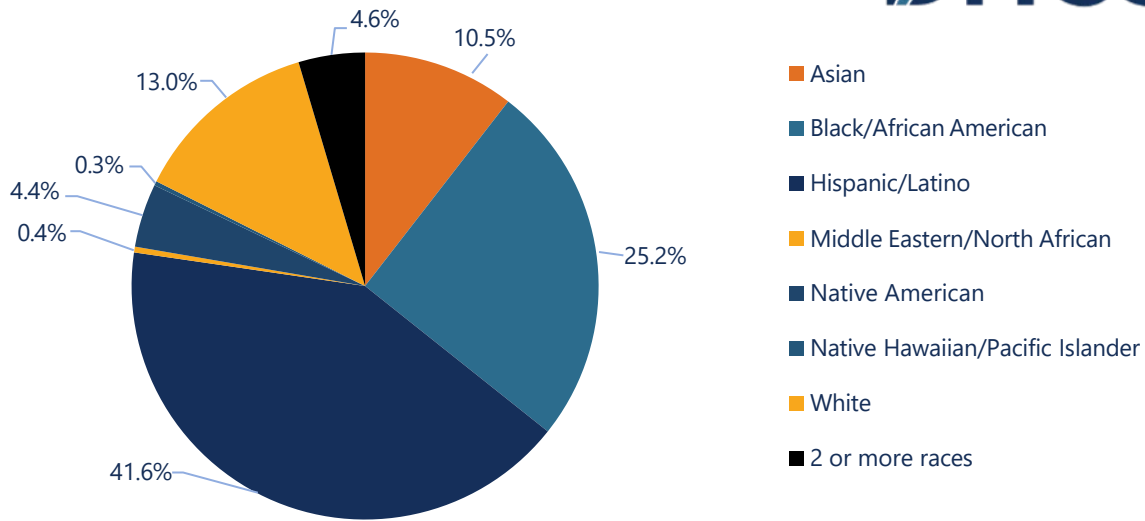


Figure 2: Participant by Type (Child, Youth or Parent)

Participant Type	Percentage of All Participants
Child (0-15)	42.3%
Parent/Caregiver	13.9%
Youth (16-25)	43.8%

Table 2: Participant by Type (Child, Youth or Parent)

Participant by Race



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Figure 3: Participant by Race

Breakdown by Race	Percentage of All Participants
Asian	10.5%
Black/African American	25.2%
Hispanic/Latino	41.6%
Middle Eastern/North Africa	0.4%
Native American	4.4%
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	0.3%
White	13.0%
2 or more races	4.6%

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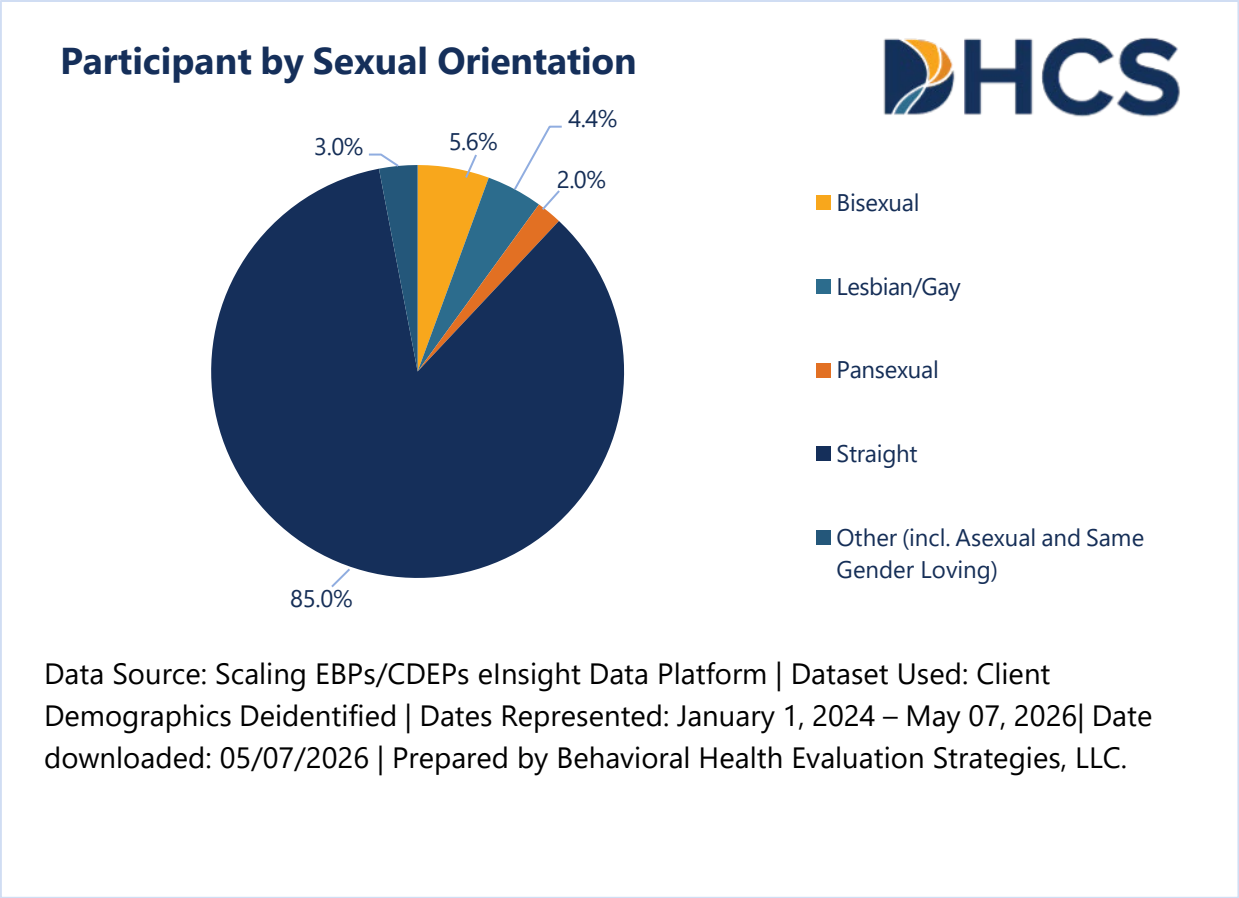
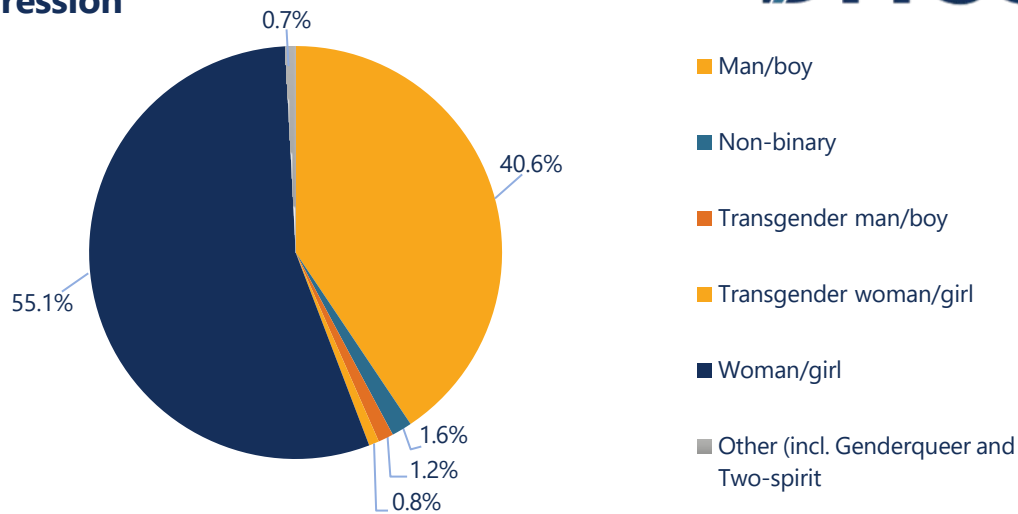


Figure 4: Participant by Sexual Orientation

Participant by Sexual Orientation	Percentage of All Participants
Bisexual	5.6%
Lesbian/Gay	4.4%
Pansexual	2.0%
Straight	85.0%
Other (including Asexual and Same Gender Loving)	3.0%

Table 4: Participant by Sexual Orientation

Participant by Gender Identity and Expression



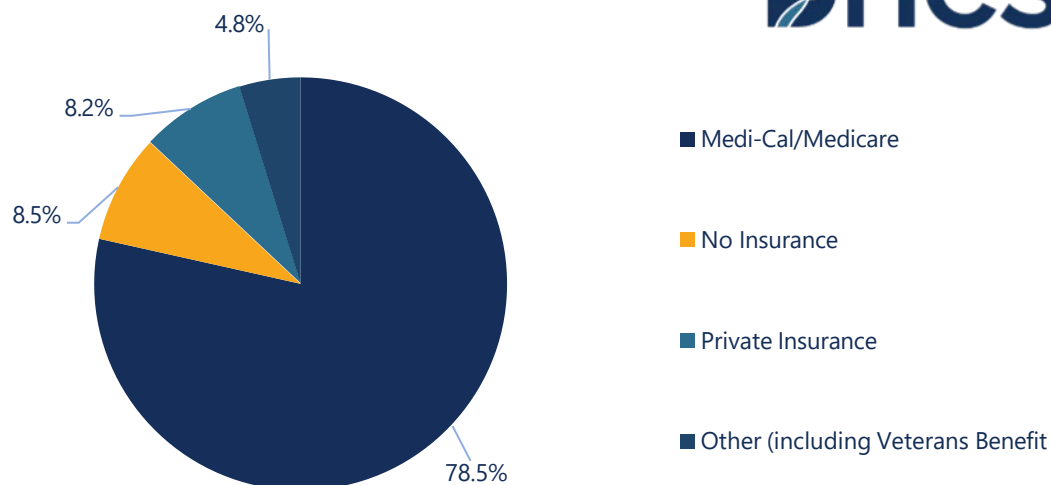
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Figure 5: Participant by Gender Identity and Expression

Gender Identity and Expression	Percentage of All Participants
Man/boy	40.6%
Non-binary	1.6%
Transgender man/boy	1.2%
Transgender woman/girl	0.8%
Woman/girl	55.1%
Other (including Genderqueer and Two-spirit)	0.7%

Table 5: Participant by Gender Identity and Expression

Breakdown of Medical Insurance Coverage



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Figure 6: Breakdown of Medical Insurance Coverage

Breakdown by Medical Insurance Coverage	Percentage of All Participants
Medi-Cal/Medicare	78.5%
No Insurance	8.5%
Private Insurance	8.2%
Other (including Veterans Benefit)	4.8%

Table 6: Breakdown of Medical Insurance Coverage

IX. LOOKING AHEAD

The progress made to date reflects the vision and dedication of the 82 organizations implementing CDEPs across 33 counties, and the resilience and wisdom of the communities they serve.

Through CYBHI, California has made an unprecedented commitment to behavioral health equity, affirming that cultural identity, community leadership, and lived experience are indispensable components of effective care. As this work continues, CDEPs remain at the forefront of advancing healing, connection, and access for children, youth, and families statewide.

The results highlighted in this report—demonstrated through client satisfaction, improved outcomes, and community-centered success stories—show that CDEPs are not only meeting critical needs, but also strengthening the capacity of communities to lead their own healing. As California continues to transform its behavioral health system to meet the needs of children and youth, CDEPs will play an increasingly central role in shaping a more equitable, culturally responsive future.

To sustain this momentum, ongoing training, technical assistance, and peer learning opportunities will support organizations in strengthening long-term sustainability planning and expanding their ability to secure and maximize future funding opportunities. In support of these efforts, DHCS published the [Children and Youth EBP/CDEP Resource Guide](#), which serves as a centralized resource to help EBP/CDEP providers navigate funding pathways for EBPs and CDEPs through Medi-Cal. The guide is especially valuable for community-based organizations, schools, counties, and other entities interested in seeking Medi-Cal reimbursement for their behavioral health services.

The ongoing partnership between DHCS, CDEP grantees, community organizations, and youth and families will be essential to sustaining this work. These partnerships will support greater access to culturally relevant care, reduce health disparities, strengthen organizations, and contribute to a healthier California.



APPENDIX: LIST OF COMMUNITY-DEFINED EVIDENCE PRACTICES SUPPORTED THROUGH CYBHI SCALING EBP/CDEP GRANT PROGRAM

Summary

Round 1: Parent and Caregiver Support Programs and Practices

- » Total Awards: 67
- » CDEPs Awarded: 13
- » Percent of total awards given to CDEPs: 19%
- » Total Funded Amount: \$31,847,575
- » Total CDEPs Funded: \$5,919,803
- » Percent of total funding given to CDEPs: 19%
- » Total Participants: 1,042

Round 2: Trauma-Informed Programs and Practices

- » Total Awards: 192
- » CDEPs Awarded: 9
- » Percent of total awards given to CDEPs: 5%
- » Total Amount Awarded: \$99,264,481
- » Total Amount Awarded for CDEPs: \$5,349,280
- » Percent of total funding given to CDEPs: 5%
- » Total Participants: 564

Round 3: Early Childhood Wraparound Services

- » Total Awards: 54
- » CDEPs Awarded: 7
- » Percent of total awards given to CDEPs: 13%
- » Total Amount Awarded: \$56,170,710

- » Total Amount Awarded for CDEPs: \$4,618,548
- » Percent of total funding given to CDEPs: 8%
- » Total Participants: 353

Round 4: Youth-Driven Programs

- » Total Awards 69
- » CDEPs Awarded: 33
- » Percent of total awards given to CDEPs: 48%
- » Total Amount Awarded: \$50,287,781
- » Total Amount Awarded for CDEPs: \$17,786,056
- » Percent of total funding given to CDEPs: 35%
- » Total Participants: 7,674

Round 5: Early-Intervention Programs and Practices

- » Total Awards: 99
- » CDEPs Awarded: 20
- » Percent of total awards given to CDEPs: 20%
- » Total Amount Awarded: \$66,195,193
- » Total Amount Awarded for CDEPs: \$11,382,443
- » Percent of total funding given to CDEPs: 14%
- » Total Participants: 4,053

DHCS applied an equity lens in evaluating awards under the Scaling EBPs/CDEPs grant program. Award amounts and selected practice models were determined based on several factors, including:

- » Demonstrated need, as indicated by the Healthy Places Index
- » Ability to meet outcome objectives
- » Capacity to deliver culturally relevant and responsive services
- » Estimated overall impact of the award
- » Statewide geographic distribution of grants
- » Practice model type

- » Populations served
- » Sustainability pathways to address the broader needs of California

As a result, CDEPs are represented in 33 of California's 58 counties, excluding statewide implementation efforts. Below is a comprehensive list of CDEP awards categorized by the primary county of each award. Some organizations have also identified secondary counties or additional communities served by their programs; however, these secondary counties are not included in the list.

County	Number of CDEPs Awarded
Alameda	4
Amador	1
Butte	1
Colusa	2
Contra Costa	2
El Dorado	2
Fresno	7
Humboldt	2
Kern	2
Kings	1
Los Angeles	11
Madera	1
Mariposa	1
Mendocino	2
Monterey	1
Multiple Counties	1
Napa	1
Orange	2
Placer	2
Riverside	1
Sacramento	4

County	Number of CDEPs Awarded
San Bernardino	6
San Diego	6
San Francisco	3
San Joaquin	2
San Luis Obispo	1
San Mateo	2
Santa Clara	2
Shasta	1
Solano	1
Sonoma	3
Trinity	1
Tulare	1
Ventura	2

Table A-1: Number of CDEPs Awarded by County

CDEPs funded under this grant program are specifically designed to serve CYBHI target populations, including BIPOC and LGBTQIA+ communities. These practices address diverse needs across various populations, including individuals impacted by the child welfare and juvenile justice systems, those experiencing homelessness, and members of immigrant and refugee communities. Additionally, the funded CDEPs encompass a range of modalities and approaches, such as Direct Care, Training, Mentorship, and Peer-to-Peer.

All Grantees by Round

Round 1: Parent and Caregiver Support Programs

Name of Grantees/ Key Population	Description	Grant Amount/ Funding Track	Location (Primary County)
Daly City Youth Health Center (DCYHC) CDEP Name: PCOMS (Partners for Change Outcomes Management System) and PITH (Pain In The Heart- Practice based on Psychodynamic and Structural Family Therapy Principles) Key Population: Asians and Pacific Islanders, Black/African Americans, LGBTQIA+	Community-based mental health programs providing SMI services and our outstanding clinical training, utilizing one-way mirror session supervision and PITH. DCYHC provides services to youth ages 6 to 26 and their families from all over San Mateo County, with most of our clients being BIPOC and recent immigrants.	\$410,000 Funding Track: Expansion	San Mateo Region 3, San Francisco Bay Area

Name of Grantees/ Key Population	Description	Grant Amount/ Funding Track	Location (Primary County)
Early Childhood Mental Health Program CDEP Name: Perinatal Circle of Care Key Population: Black/African Americans, Latino/Latinx	Early Childhood Mental Health Program (ECMHP) is expanding Perinatal Circle of Care (PCOC). PCOC uses an adaptation of Perinatal Child Parent Psychotherapy which is a relational, trauma-informed modality of dyadic treatment and preventive services that begins during pregnancy and continues through the baby's first year of life. This program would also seek to train professionals working with pregnant women and babies to collaborate, promote maternal mental health, and provide continuity of care within a culturally tailored framework. CDEP provides monthly parenting support sessions to strengthen the child and parent/caregiver relationships and promoted child social and emotional development.	\$400,000 Funding Track: Expansion	Contra Costa Region 3, San Francisco Bay Area

Name of Grantees/ Key Population	Description	Grant Amount/ Funding Track	Location (Primary County)
Family Paths, Inc CDEP Name: Effective Black Parenting Program Key Population: Black/African Americans	Family Paths, Inc. is a non-profit organization of mental health professionals and dedicated volunteers that provides a number of mental health and supportive services to low income, multi-stressed individuals, and families. Their CDEP, Effective Black Parenting, is called Soulful Connections and includes a 15-week skill building program promoting Black Excellence designed to support African American/Black parents in raising proud, confident, and healthy children (0-17 years) by providing culturally relevant strategies and resources.	\$400,000 Funding Track: Start up	Alameda Region 3, San Francisco Bay Area

Name of Grantees/ Key Population	Description	Grant Amount/ Funding Track	Location (Primary County)
Level Up NorCal CDEP Name: CREATE (Culturally Responsive Education and Access Towards Equity) Project Key Population: Tribal Nations, Native American	The CREATE Project applies a culturally appropriate approach to increase awareness and knowledge of the resources and programs available to parents/caregivers for behavioral health and mental health for their child. By applying the Promotora Peer Support Model, the CREATE Project provides culturally responsive outreach and engagement to increase awareness of behavioral health resources and improve the ability of parents/ caregivers to provide support and positive social and emotional development for their child. The promotora peer support model is a wraparound program that addresses the whole needs of the family to allow the parents/caregivers to then focus on the behavioral and mental health needs of the child.	\$400,000 Funding Track: Expansion	Shasta Region 1, Superior California

Name of Grantees/ Key Population	Description	Grant Amount/ Funding Track	Location (Primary County)
Native Dads Network CDEP Name: Fatherhood/Motherhood Is Sacred curriculum Key Population: Tribal Nations, Native American	Native Dads Network (NDN) will work with 25 Native American families and communities who are in need of services. NDN will serve community members who are parents or family members who need support or education centered on culturally centered parenting or family units. The primary focus will be Native Americans. NDN will not discriminate or deny clients based off race, ethnicity, gender, etc.	\$400,000 Funding Track: Start up	Sacramento Region 1, Superior California

Name of Grantees/ Key Population	Description	Grant Amount/ Funding Track	Location (Primary County)
One New Heartbeat CDEP Name: Effective Black Parenting Key Population: Black/African Americans, Latino/Latinx, LGBTQIA+, Native Americans	The Effective Parenting Project by One New Heartbeat (ONHB) is a pioneering program aimed at equipping parents and caregivers of BIPOC children from infancy to adolescence with culturally tailored parenting education and support. This project seeks to improve positive parenting practices, tackle emotional and behavioral challenges in children, encourage children's social and emotional growth, and bolster support for those facing significant caregiver-related stress.	\$760,000 Funding Track: Integrated	San Mateo Region 3, San Francisco Bay Area

Name of Grantees/ Key Population	Description	Grant Amount/ Funding Track	Location (Primary County)
Pacific Clinics CDEP Name: Celebrating Families! Key Population: Latino/Latinx	Celebrating Families! is a family-inclusive, trauma-informed, skill-building program. It was designed to improve parenting skills, family functioning, and family relationships for families dealing with a multitude of challenges: multigenerational trauma; substance use disorders; compromised safety (child maltreatment and family violence); with resulting physical and mental health challenges and cognitive deficits. Its goal is to help children and families to be healthy, responsible and addiction free.	\$400,000 Funding Track: Expansion	Los Angeles Region 8, Los Angeles County

Name of Grantees/ Key Population	Description	Grant Amount/ Funding Track	Location (Primary County)
Promesa Behavioral Health CDEP Name: Nurturing Parents for Teen Parents Key Population: African Americans/Black, Latino/Latinx, Asians and Pacific Islanders, Indigenous/Native Americans	Some youth who come to Promesa are pregnant and/or parenting. These youth are able to participate in the Residential Treatment program while preparing for child birth or they are accepted into the program with their child to prevent separation. Each youth participates in a Parenting Education Curriculum. The agency utilizes community programs such as Exceptional Parents Unlimited and Fresno County Health Department for additional parenting education. Our youth also belong to Teen MOPS, Mothers of Pre-Schoolers. These mentors provide support to our pregnant and parenting teens. Teen MOPS offer extra-activities including BBQs, dinners and holiday activities.	\$400,000 Funding Track: Expansion	Fresno Region 4, San Joaquin Valley

Name of Grantees/ Key Population	Description	Grant Amount/ Funding Track	Location (Primary County)
Safe Passages (SP) CDEP Name: Parent Learning Collaborative Program Key Population: Black/African Americans, Latino/Latinx	The SP Family Resource Center seeks to deliver services across the entire age continuum from pre-birth to young adulthood. Programs are community derived, research based and proven best practices. Amongst these are CDEP parenting programs that deliver maternal services, Parent/infant playgroups, and parenting education implemented by mental health professionals.	\$400,000 Funding Track: Expansion	Alameda Region 3, San Francisco Bay Area

Name of Grantees/ Key Population	Description	Grant Amount/ Funding Track	Location (Primary County)
San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools (SBCSS) CDEP Name: Effective Black Parenting Program Key Population: Black/African Americans	SBCSS will empower and partner with community partners to provide Effective Black Parenting (EBP) classes to equity Black and African American families with skills to support the success of their children. A minimum of 30 new EBP class instructors will be trained to reach 675 parents and caregivers across the county. SBCSS will engage a multi-pronged methodology, partnering with a variety of agencies to maximize reach through a systemic approach to capacity building. SBCSS will engage a multi-pronged methodology, partnering with a variety of agencies to maximize reach through a systemic approach to capacity building.	\$750,000 Funding Track: Expansion	San Bernardino Region 7, Inland Empire

Name of Grantees/ Key Population	Description	Grant Amount/ Funding Track	Location (Primary County)
Sherwood Valley Band of Pomo Indians CDEP Name: Celebrating Families! Key Population: Native American	Celebrating Families! is a family-inclusive, trauma-informed, skill-building program. It was designed to improve parenting skills, family functioning, and family relationships for families dealing with a multitude of challenges: multigenerational trauma; substance use disorders; compromised safety (child maltreatment and family violence); with resulting physical and mental health challenges and cognitive deficits. Its goal is to help children and families to be healthy, responsible and addiction free.	\$400,000 Funding Track: Expansion	Mendocino Region 2, North Coast

Name of Grantees/ Key Population	Description	Grant Amount/ Funding Track	Location (Primary County)
The Amelia Ann Adams Whole Life Center CDEP Name: Empowered Women of Excellence (EWOE) and Family Healing Circles Key Population: Black/ African Americans	EWOE is a multi-phase transformation program that strengthens a body of women by providing a safe and supported space for learning through motivational speakers, breakthrough activities, peer-to-peer support, journaling, and visioning, and self-reflection. Family Healing Circles (FHC) will support residents in the Stockton community by creating healing spaces and providing resources and tools to support families and individuals to build resiliency.	\$399,803 Funding Track: Expansion	San Joaquin Region 4, Northern San Joaquin Valley

Name of Grantees/ Key Population	Description	Grant Amount/ Funding Track	Location (Primary County)
The Village Project, Inc. CDEP Name: Emanyatta Pilot Project Expansion Key Population: Black/African Americans, Latino/Latinx, LGBTQIA+, Asians and Pacific Islanders, Native Americans	This funding will expand the ability to meet our clients where they currently are in life, improve the academic classrooms and enrichment spaces currently available to existing staff and youth across all programs, update our existing manuals and curricula, upskill our existing staff, move clients from our waitlist and into programs and services, and increase community awareness about the programs and services we offer.	\$400,000 Funding Track: Expansion	Monterey Region 5, Central Coast

Round 2: Trauma-Informed Programs and Practices

Name of Grantees/ Key Populations	Description	Grant Amount/ Funding Track	Location (Primary County)
Fresno Police Chaplaincy CDEP Name: Hope & Healing Key Population: Children of Immigrant Families, Native Americans	Hope and Healing is a multifaceted community early intervention prevention program which will enhance the services the Fresno Police Chaplaincy (FPC) and Project STEALTH (Stop Teen Exploitation and Liberate Through Hope) can provide to the citizens of Fresno. Project STEALTH helps by providing one-on-one mentoring, group mentoring that includes cooking classes, game nights, field trips, and also meeting with the youth and their families to bring hope and determine a course of action for a healthy future. Additional support to teens includes self-awareness, self-confidence, empowerment, and problem-solving skills through group activities, social awareness, and community involvement.	\$400,000 Funding Track: Expansion	Fresno Region 6, Southern San Joaquin Valley

Name of Grantees/ Key Population	Description	Grant Amount/ Funding Track	Location (Primary County)
Gateway Mountain Center CDEP Name: Self-Determination & Resilience Theory Key Population: Medi-Cal Eligible	Whole Hearts, Minds & Bodies is a clinically supervised, nature based therapeutic mentoring program based on building capacity for connection, mindfulness, and reflection. Direct therapeutic services are provided by well-trained paraprofessionals called Therapeutic Mentors with treatment plans written and clinical supervision done by licensed clinicians. Serves children, youth and young adults ages 5-24 who suffer from severe to moderate-severe emotional disturbance. Mentors pick up a client youth from school or home, spend 3-4 hours with them, mostly outdoors, with well supported and appropriate physical challenge/exercise, nature sensory and mindfulness activities, and reflection. At the end of the session, the youth is fed and then brought home. The typical frequency is once a week. The service includes case management, and referrals with warm handoff to any other services needed. Currently in our rural region we are well valued partners with Wraparound services.	\$750,000 Funding Track: Start up	Placer, San Francisco Region 1, Superior California

Name of Grantees/ Key Population	Description	Grant Amount/ Funding Track	Location (Primary County)
Hmong Cultural Center of Butte County CDEP Name: Koomtes Youth Program (KYP): Integrating Trauma-Informed Practices Key Population: Asians and Pacific Islanders	KYP predominately serves Hmong youth from various socioeconomic and sexual orientations in rural Butte County, CA. KYP provides a safe environment to destigmatize mental health, promote activism, mentorship, peer support, and reduce mental health disparities with the aim of linking youth to behavioral health services and reducing harmful substance use through education and empowerment.	\$400,000 Funding Track: Expansion	Butte Region 1, Superior California

Name of Grantees/ Key Population	Description	Grant Amount/ Funding Track	Location (Primary County)
Koinonia Foster Homes, Inc. DBA Koinonia Family Services CDEP Name: Trust-Based Relational Interventions Key Population: Not listed	Koinonia works closely with county child welfare and probation departments throughout the state of California, serving youth and families impacted by the child welfare and juvenile probation systems. County Comprehensive Prevention Plans indicate that low-income families with children under the age of five are at the greatest risk of becoming involved in the child welfare or criminal justice system. Some mitigating factors include resiliency, social connections, understanding of child development, and trauma-responsive early childhood interventions. Trust-Based Relational Interventions (TBRI) offers all of these mitigating factors within the structure of the program.	\$749,280 Funding Track: Start up	Placer Region 1, Superior California

Name of Grantees/ Key Population	Description	Grant Amount/ Funding Track	Location (Primary County)
Pathway Family Services, Inc. CDEP Name: Trust-Based Relational Intervention (TBRI) Key Population: Not listed	Pathway TBRI Family Training Program offers holistic Trust-Based Relational Intervention (TBRI) training designed to support the complex needs of vulnerable children through attachment, sensory processing, and neuroscience research principles. TBRI is recognized for its effectiveness in the child welfare system, aimed at improving the physical, emotional, behavioral, and social needs of children by fostering safe, trusting relationships. Hope for the Journey for the community is designed to enhance caregiver support for mental and emotional health, foster positive and enduring relationships, improve emotional and behavioral self-regulation, and mitigate trauma and behavioral challenges.	\$750,000 Funding Track: Integrated	Kern Region 6, Southern San Joaquin Valley

Name of Grantees/ Key Population	Description	Grant Amount/ Funding Track	Location (Primary County)
Sacred Path Indigenous Wellness Center CDEP Name: DARTNA (Drum Assisted Recovery Therapy for Native Americans) Key Population: Native Americans	The goal for Sacred Path as a developing organization is to build our capacity to provide more culturally relevant prevention and trauma-informed treatment programs for the American Indian/Alaska Native (AIAN) community in Los Angeles and Orange County and serve as a guide for other urban AIAN organizations in California.	\$750,000 Funding Track: Start-up	Los Angeles Region 8, Los Angeles County
The Community College Foundation CDEP Name: Mind Matters Key Population: Not listed	Offers trauma-informed support to all of the community members we serve and expands trauma awareness and skills to our community partners. Our programming is youth-centered and community based. To that end, we provide easily utilized and scaled trauma navigation tools to our communities and meet the high need of our population. Self-regulation and building resiliency in youth, who have experienced ACEs and toxic stress, are the foundations of the program.	\$400,000 Funding Track: Start up	Los Angeles Region 8, Los Angeles County

Name of Grantees/ Key Population	Description	Grant Amount/ Funding Track	Location (Primary County)
The Tribal Child Care Association of California (TCCAC) CDEP Name: Pyramid Model Consortia Key Population: Native American	The program's goal is to create trauma informed support systems that support Tribal children and families to build resiliency in the face of historical trauma and adverse childhood experiences. The TCCAC has identified the Pyramid Model Framework with co-created culture and traditional implementation practices to support early intervention, mitigate the adverse effects ACEs (Adverse Childhood Experiences), build knowledge of trauma-informed support and communication for parents, caregivers and individuals close to children and youth, Increase the capacity of Tribal early learning and care programs, cultivate safe and stable learning environments, and ensure practices are grounded in cultural competencies and are equitable for all Tribal communities.	\$750,000 Funding Track: Integrated	Colusa Region 1, Superior California

Name of Grantees/ Key Population	Description	Grant Amount/ Funding Track	Location (Primary County)
Two Feathers Native American Family Services CDEP Name: Two Feathers ACORN Youth Wellness Program Key Population: Native Americans	The ACORN Expansion will enhance and expand upon the culturally based Two Feathers ACORN Youth Wellness program. ACORN is a CDEP supporting Native youth resilience and self-esteem while building strong, supportive, intergenerational relationships within the community. ACORN has been shown to reduce mental health disparities for Native Americans by reconnecting Native youth to traditional cultural practices that positively impact hope, mitigate historical loss and grief, and improve family relationships. ACORN programming provides the opportunity for Native youth ages (8-18) and their families to experience the positive, protective ancestral cultural practices of the Stick Game and Flower Dance. Awarded funds will expand capacity building and improve program quality by offering programming throughout the year, more intense programming, and employing local Native youth to be supportive peer mentors.	\$400,000 Funding Track: Expansion	Humboldt Region 2, North Coast

Round 3: Early Childhood Wraparound Services

Name of Grantees/ Key Population	Description	Grant Amount/ Funding Track	Location (Primary County)
Family Services of Tulare County CDEP Name: Communications, Supervision, Effective Discipline, Support for Children Key Population: All ethnic backgrounds, gender identities, the LGBTQ+ community, those with disabilities, and Veterans.	Participants of the In Home Parenting Wisely will be shown evidence-based videos that teach parenting skills on a weekly basis. In-home Parent Educators will also teach class material and refer children to school and social service agencies as needed to ensure normal child development. The population that will be served resides in the small and rural community of Goshen, CA. Goshen has a little over 5,000 people living in it and the per capita income is typically low and near poverty level. Most of the farm laborers in the Goshen community are Spanish monolingual and the community of Goshen, while predominantly Hispanic/Latino, are English and Spanish bilingual. Goshen has a fast-growing population of diverse ethnicities such as Latino, Asian and white males and females.	\$168,519 Funding Track: Expansion	Tulare Region 6, Southern San Joaquin Valley

Name of Grantees/ Key Population	Description	Grant Amount/ Funding Track	Location (Primary County)
Fresno American Indian Health Project CDEP Name: The Family Spirit Program Key Population: Not listed	The Family Spirit Program is an evidence-based and culturally tailored home visiting intervention delivered by community-based Health Educators as an Indigenous solution to supporting caregivers during pregnancy and early childhood. Caregivers gain knowledge and skills to achieve optimum development for their children across the domains of physical, cognitive, social-emotional, language learning, and self-help.	\$500,000 Funding Track: Expansion	Madera Region 6, Southern San Joaquin Valley
Kern River Valley Family Resource Center CDEP Name: Frog Street Curriculum/Parents as Teachers Key Population: Not listed	To assist the families and their needs, our home visitors will help in improving our parents and/or caregivers' wellbeing as well as their prenatal, newborn, and their child's health and overall development. By providing these services, we hope to reduce emotional and behavioral challenges in the home environment, increase early identification of developmental concerns, and essentially reduce child abuse and maltreatment.	\$500,000 Funding Track: Expansion	Kern Region 6, Southern San Joaquin Valley

Name of Grantees/ Key Population	Description	Grant Amount/ Funding Track	Location (Primary County)
Family Services of Tulare County CDEP Name: Parenting Wisely Key Population: Latino/Latinx, Black/African Americans, Asians, and Pacific Islanders, LGBTQIA+	Participants of the In-Home Parenting Wisely will be shown evidence-based videos that teach parenting skills on a weekly basis. In-home Parent Educators will also teach class material and refer children to school and social service agencies as needed to ensure normal child development. The population that will be served resides in the small and rural community of Goshen, CA. Goshen has a little over 5,000 people living in it and the per capita income is typically low and near poverty level. Most of the farm laborers in the Goshen community are Spanish monolingual and the community of Goshen, while predominantly Hispanic/Latino, are English and Spanish bilingual. Goshen has a fast-growing population of diverse ethnicities such as Latino, Asian, and white males and females.	\$168,519 Funding Track: Expansion	Tulare Region 6, Southern San Joaquin Valley

Name of Grantees/ Key Population	Description	Grant Amount/ Funding Track	Location (Primary County)
Round Valley Indian Health Center CDEP Name: The Family Spirit Program Key Population: Not listed	The Round Valley Indian Health Center is a non-profit corporation established in 1968, designed to offer health care to the people of our community. The center staff is dedicated not only to treatment, prevention, and patient education, but also recognizes traditional Indian Medicine and holistic healing. The Family Spirit Program is an evidence-based and culturally tailored home visiting intervention delivered by Native American paraprofessionals as an Indigenous solution to supporting caregivers during pregnancy and early childhood. The grant will increase access, sustainability, and coordination of home visiting services and consultation services that are culturally linguistically representative and responsive to Tribal community members residing in the Round Valley Indian Health Center service area.	\$976,060 Funding Track: Expansion	Mendocino Region 2, North Coast

Name of Grantees/ Key Population	Description	Grant Amount/ Funding Track	Location (Primary County)
Solano County Health & Social Services Department CDEP Name: Trauma-Informed Approach Public Health Nursing Model Key Population: Tribal Nations, Native American	The Trauma-Informed Approach in Public Health Nursing (TIA PHN) is a model that provides care to low-income pregnant people and families with children under five who have experienced or are at risk of trauma. The model is based on the principles of trauma-informed care (TIC), which is a patient-centered approach to healthcare that aims to prevent re-traumatization.	\$500,000 Funding Track: Expansion	Solano Region 3, San Francisco Bay Area
Trinity County Office of Education CDEP Name: Sanctuary Model Key Population: Not listed	The Sanctuary Model is a blueprint for clinical and organizational change which, at its core, promotes safety and recovery from adversity through the active creation of a trauma-informed community. A recognition that trauma is pervasive in the experience of human beings forms the basis for the Sanctuary Model's focus not only on the people who seek treatment but equally on the people and systems who provide that treatment.	\$1,473,959 Funding Track: Start up	Trinity Region 2, North Coast

Name of Grantees/ Key Population	Description	Grant Amount/ Funding Track	Location (Primary County)
Valley Mountain Regional Center (VMRC) CDEP Name: Family Wellness Project Key Population: Not listed	The mission of Valley Mountain Regional Center (VMRC) is to support people with developmental disabilities as they enrich their lives through choices and inclusion. VMRC is committed to securing quality, individualized services in collaboration with families and the community. The Family Wellness Project offers Mental Health Counseling to Caregivers, and family members of children ages 0-21 who are Consumers at Valley Mountain Regional Center. These eligible families may be anyone in the household unit and/or involved in the caregiving of the VMRC consumer person. This is an expansion for this existing project, increasing the eligibility for families of VMRC children from 0-5 to 0-21.	\$500,000 Funding Track: Expansion	Amador Region 4, Northern San Joaquin Valley

Round 4: Youth-Driven Programs

Name of Grantees/ Key Population	Description	Grant Amount/ Funding Track	Location (Primary County)
Alliance for Community Transformation CDEP Name: Ethos Youth - Drop-In Center for Homeless Youth Key Population: Black/African Americans, LGBTQIA+, Latino/Latinx, Native Americans	Our expansion initiative aims to transform Ethos Youth Center into a dedicated homeless youth drop-in center, serving a critical demographic of young individuals who are experiencing homelessness or unstable housing situations. Within this framework, we are developing programs that are not only tailored to the unique needs of these youth but also co-created with their active involvement.	\$260,454 Funding Track: Expansion	Mariposa Region 4, Northern San Joaquin Valley
Bridge Builders Foundation CDEP Name: Thriving Under the Influence Mentorship Program Key Population: Black/African Americans, Latino/Latinx, Mixed Raced	The "Thriving Under the Influence" Mentorship Program, provides comprehensive academic and career exposure, mentoring, coaching, literacy, and leadership development opportunities designed to empower African American and Latinx students. The Youth Ambassador leadership initiative employs high school students as classroom aides, mentors, and tutors. STEM program serves youth monthly and over the summer.	\$354,750 Funding Track: Start up	Los Angeles Region 8, Los Angeles County

Name of Grantees/ Key Population	Description	Grant Amount/ Funding Track	Location (Primary County)
Colusa Indian Community Council CDEP Name: Across Ages Key Population: Tribal Nations, Native Americans	The proposed services will follow the Across Ages model, featuring one-on-one mentorship between youth (ages 9-13) and older mentors (ages 45+). Additionally, the program will include after-school homework help, guest speakers, life skills workshops, and field trips. This comprehensive approach aims to create a hospitable, safe, and inviting environment for Tribal youth.	\$749,820 Funding Track: Start up	Colusa Region 1, Superior California
Da Vinci Rise High CDEP Name: Da Vinci RISE Equitable Expansion Initiative Key Population: Child Welfare	The Da Vinci RISE Equitable Expansion Initiative will increase onsite access to the most at promised youth within our school community	\$399,984 Funding Track: Expansion	Los Angeles Region 8, Los Angeles County

Name of Grantees/ Key Population	Description	Grant Amount/ Funding Track	Location (Primary County)
Heart and Soul CDEP Name: Total Wellness Powered by Peers Key Population: Black/African Americans	Our model is based on peer support which means that our core staff, volunteers, and outreach personnel are all people who have experienced mental health struggles and who turn their own insights into help for others. Our slogan "Putting the WE in Wellness" is an affirmation of our commitment to peer-designed, peer-delivered programming, counseling, and support.	\$400,000 Funding Track: Expansion	San Francisco Region 3, San Francisco Bay Area
Heritage Group Homes, Inc. CDEP Name: Youth Drop-In Center Key Population: Regional	Providing peer support, linkages to mental health services, community support services for housing, vocational education, school support, and supplies. Youth can use computers for internet access to research jobs and for telehealth services. The facility will provide a washer and dryer for youths to do their laundry, secure mailboxes to receive mail and packages, and a shower and bathroom for hygiene.	\$748,000 Funding Track: Expansion	Los Angeles Region 8, Los Angeles County

Name of Grantees/ Key Population	Description	Grant Amount/ Funding Track	Location (Primary County)
Just Call Us Volunteers DBA Youth Assistance Coalition CDEP Name: Youth Drop-In Center Key Population: Black/African Americans, Latino/Latinx, LGBTQIA+	Youth drop-in center that serves transitional aged youth 12-24 who are at risk of or experiencing homelessness. Our services cover daily needs like hot meals, dignity showers, clothing, and hygiene. We provide long-term case management, connect youths with service partners to address needs, and help place them in emergency shelters.	\$400,000 Funding Track: Expansion	Los Angeles Region 8, Los Angeles County
Khalsa Foundation CDEP Name: Youth Drop-In Center Key Population: Asians and Pacific Islanders	The drop-in center offers a comprehensive range of services to meet the diverse needs of the Punjabi-Sikh community. This includes counseling services and crisis intervention, with a full-time therapist available for youth either on a walk-in basis or by appointment. The center offers family well-being workshops focusing on mental health, alcoholism, and seeking help, while providing referral services for specialized assistance. Regular evaluations are collected from the community and participants to inform improvements and tailored offerings.	\$750,000 Funding Track: Start up	Fresno Region 6, Southern San Joaquin Valley

Name of Grantees/ Key Population	Description	Grant Amount/ Funding Track	Location (Primary County)
Lake Avenue Community Foundation, Inc. DBA Stars.Illuminate. Educate.Advocate CDEP Name: Youth Drop-In Center Key Population: Black/African Americans, Latino/Latinx	The Stars Drop-In Wellness Program is a CDEP, created by community input and implemented through Trauma-Informed Care, Cognitive Behavioral Therapy, and Motivational Interviewing. Programs are continually modified based on feedback from the community, which is gained through developed relationships and natural conversations with families. This feedback leads to programmatic changes, including what and how services are offered.	\$399,587 Funding Track: Expansion	Los Angeles Region 8, Los Angeles County

Name of Grantees/ Key Population	Description	Grant Amount/ Funding Track	Location (Primary County)
Live Again Fresno CDEP Name: My Future Matters Key Population: Not listed	My Future Matters Program services will provide all subjects pertaining to independent living skills such as but not limited to: Individual goal setting, financial literacy, money management, apartment/housing search and rental processes, nutrition health and wellness, employment, career development, transportation, life skills, problem solving, time management, communication skills, and problem-solving. Specific services include referral resource program, after school & mentorship program, mobile meal service, and food pantry.	\$750,000 Funding Track: Start-up	Fresno Region 6, Southern San Joaquin Valley

Name of Grantees/ Key Population	Description	Grant Amount/ Funding Track	Location (Primary County)
LYRIC (Lavender Youth Recreation and Information Center) CDEP Name: Youth Drop-In Center Key Population: Black/African Americans, Asians and Pacific Islanders, Latino/Latinx, LGBTQIA+	LYRIC’s youth drop-in center is a physical hub where queer and trans youth can find safety, affirmation, and tailored leadership opportunities and resources. The center will continue to provide clients with access to harm reduction, sexual health, technology, recreational activities, and resources. LYRIC staff provide a wide range of services and programs to clients, and are able to assist with housing navigation, provision of basic needs support, as well as weekly peer support and community groups. The drop-in center also has linkages to public services and other LGBTQQ+ organizations to offer youth with access to health and wellness services (primary healthcare, sexual healthcare, gender affirming care, HIV treatment, STI screening, etc.) and mental health services (counseling, therapy, psychiatry).	\$340,493 Funding Track: Expansion	San Francisco Region 3, San Francisco Bay Area

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Monarch School Project CDEP Name: Clinical Behavioral Health Program Key Population: Not listed	Our Clinical Behavioral Health Program provides drop-in mental health services within the school building creating easy and accessible services. Our program uses evidence-based methods that are trauma-informed and strength-based for unhoused youth and their families and added youth health services include school health clinics, vision screenings, dental exams, vaccination clinics, sports physicals throughout the year and health education in our nutrition lab and school garden that promotes wellness. We also provide basic services: a clothing boutique, showers, laundry facilities, and access to healthy food.	\$400,000 Funding Track: Expansion	San Diego Region 10, San Diego - Imperial

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Morgan Hill Unified School District CDEP Name: TEAM- Together Everyone Achieves More Key Population: Black/African Americans, Asians and Pacific Islanders, LGBTQIA+, Native Americans, Refugees, Children of Immigrant Families	The Morgan Hill Unified School District (MHUSD) encompasses nearly 300 square miles and serves the ethnically diverse population of Morgan Hill, San Martin, and a small portion of South San Jose. The District serves approximately 8,100 students and is composed of six elementary schools (TK-5), two elementary/middle schools (K-8), one Dual Immersion magnet program (K-8), two middle schools (6-8), two comprehensive high schools (9-12), one continuation high school and a community adult school. TEAM plans on providing equity focused culturally competent services, community outreach and education, access to care, peer support programs, targeted intervention, data collection and analysis, collaboration with community partners, addressing social determinates of health, crisis interventions, cultural competency training, advocacy and policy change, and community engagement.	\$747,631 Funding Track: Start-up	Santa Clara Region 3, San Francisco Bay Area

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Nate's Place, A Wellness and Recovery Center CDEP Name: Nate's Place, A Wellness and Recovery Center Key Population: Latino/Latinx, Black/African Americans, Native Americans, LGBTQIA+	The Mission at Nate's Place, A Wellness and Recovery Center (Nate's Place), is to deliver targeted programs, 1:1 Peer Support Recovery Coaching, 20+ Alternative Replacement Recreational Activities, 10 Evidence-based Group Counseling/Education/Support Groups that teach coping skills and offer support to teens and young adults (ages 13-25), to attain and maintain sobriety and stable mental health in a safe, healthy manner.	\$400,000 Funding Track: Expansion	Ventura Region 5, Central Coast

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On the Margins, Inc. (OTM) CDEP Name: ¡DALE! (Development, Advocacy, Leadership, & Engagement) Key Population: Not listed	OTM will add a mental health service to the existing ¡DALE! program. Services will include a mental health therapist for one-on-one therapy for ¡DALE! youth organizers and their families. We are also adding two mind-body medicine practitioners for additional mental health group support. Our hope is that youth and their families can easily access mental health services and mind-body medicine practices at no cost and immediately upon request. The proposed program would use a 2Gen approach. 2Gen approaches seek to improve multiple aspects of child and family well-being, many of which overlap with protective factors. The aim is to establish the provision of a comprehensive mind-body program for ¡DALE! participants and their families that would allow them to learn somatic tools to manage life stressors, support them during challenging times and plan for the road ahead.	\$370,084 Funding Track: Expansion	Ventura Region 5, Central Coast

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Raizes Collective CDEP Name: COSECHA HARVEST – School-based Program Key Population: Latino/Latinx	The focus of Raizes Collective is to empower the community through art, culture, and environmental education. Raizes Collective provides culturally relevant sessions that establish safe and natural environments for students and staff to be at ease and themselves. Raizes approach to the work of social emotional workshops come from the concept of “Sentipensante” which refers to the “Feeling - mind.” Programa Cosecha will focus on using art as a way to tap into emotional, subconscious intelligence. Our Teaching Artist will lead students through activities that will be simple and reflective in nature. This may include painting, drawing, doodling, collaging, or coloring, which naturally stimulates the same neurons that are fired during active meditation. Our teachers are meant to serve as mirrors for students who will provide insight, guidance, and inspiration.	\$375,980 Funding Track: Expansion	Sonoma Region 2, North Coast

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Redwood Community Services, Inc. (RCS) CDEP Name: Youth Drop-In Center Key Population: LGBTQIA+, Native Americans	RCS is dedicated to expanding our services to include drop-in centers specifically tailored for LGBTQIA+ youth. These centers will be physical safe spaces that provide a wide array of services, including but not limited to: » Gender Affirming Clothing » Access to Food Pantries » Peer Support » Community-Based Mental Health Treat » Individualized Case Management	\$399,235 Funding Track: Expansion	Sonoma Region 2, North Coast
Sacramento LGBT Community Center CDEP Name: Youth Drop-In Center Key Population: LGBTQIA+	Staff will conduct comprehensive intakes to assess what their whole person needs are and will help link youth to affirming resources. Youth will be able to decompress from the stress of their day, listen to music, charge their devices, get food from the pantry to warm up in the microwave, refill their water bottles, and meet other LGBTQ+ peers.	\$749,390 Funding Track: Expansion	Sacramento Region 1, Superior California

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Safe Place for Youth, Inc. (SPY) CDEP Name: Youth Drop-In Center Key Population: Black/African Americans, Asians and Pacific Islanders, Native Americans, Latino/Latinx, LGBTQIA+	As part of our project with the CA Youth Behavioral Health Initiative, SPY will extend the service hours of our existing Access Center to include Saturday weekend hours. The addition of a Saturday opening for SPY's Access Center will fill a significant gap in service provision over the weekend for youth between the ages of 12-25 experiencing homelessness, when many services are closed. Weekend hours will also increase the accessibility of our Access Center for youth who are at school or working during the week.	\$400,000 Funding Track: Expansion	Los Angeles Region 8, Los Angeles County
SafeSpace Center CDEP Name: Youth Drop-In Center Key Population: Regional	The population SafeSpace will be serving are young adults 18 - 24 years old who identify as mental health consumers in Alameda County. They are our primary clients who we will be outreaching and engaging for our program. The program focuses on prevention and early intervention (PEI) practices that include a whole person care approach with five prongs: Wellness, Education, Peer Certification, Peer-to-Peer Certification, and Family and Caregiver Education and Linkage.	\$750,000 Funding Track: Start-up	Alameda Region 3, San Francisco Bay Area

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San Diego Unified School District (SDUSD) CDEP Name: Youth Drop-In Center Key Population: Asians and Pacific Islanders, Black/African Americans, Latino/Latinx, LGBTQIA+, Native Americans, Refugees	This project aims to address the mental health needs of youth in select San Diego Unified School District middle and high schools by establishing youth-driven programs and drop-in centers These initiatives are designed with, by, and for youth to reduce stigma, promote mental wellness, foster community connections, and provide access to culturally responsive services. Staffed by a peer and family support specialist, youth can drop in for 1-on-1 support to learn coping skills or they can take 15 minutes to get back to self-regulation by selecting from a menu of options that include elements of mindfulness and self-direction. Additionally, the specialist will support students with youth driven programs, like mental health workshops and activities, all which support student engagement and connection. [cont. next page]	\$750,000 Funding Track: Start-up	San Diego Region 10, San Diego - Imperial

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San Diego Unified School District (SDUSD) CDEP Name: Youth Drop-In Center Key Population: Asians and Pacific Islanders, Black/African Americans, Latino/Latinx, LGBTQIA+, Native Americans, Refugees	[cont.] The identified sites are where students have reported experiencing disparities in one or more of the following: gender identity and expression, homeless or foster youth, immigrant and refugee youth, LGBTQIA+ Youth, and bullying and peer pressure.	\$750,000 Funding Track: Start-up	San Diego Region 10, San Diego - Imperial

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San Diego Youth Services CDEP Name: Tay Academy Key Population: Not listed	TAY Academy is a safe, inclusive, youth-led Drop-In Center for youth/Transition Age Youth (TAY) between the ages of 14-25 that are experiencing or at-risk of homelessness. TAY Academy will continue to provide a safe space that supports basic needs, screening and referral services, computer lab, etc. along with utilizing enhanced services to continue to provide on-site behavioral and mental health services, housing navigation, peer support services, education and employment and collaboration with partnering agencies.	\$750,000 Funding Track: Expansion	San Diego Region 10, San Diego - Imperial

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Santa Clara County Office of Education CDEP Name: Wellness Center Key Population: LGBTQIA+, Individuals with disabilities, Black/African Americans, Native Americans, Asians, and Pacific Islanders, Mixed Raced, Tribal Nations, Latino/Latinx, Children of Immigrant Families	The Wellness Centers provide tiered support within the multi-tiered systems of support framework for students and families within a continuum of care based on student's needs. Assessments and screeners are utilized to determine level of care for mental health services along with access to wellness activities, group counseling, wellness workshops, affinity groups (students representing the following demographics: LGBTQIA+, Migrant, BIPOC, justice involved, foster care or experiencing homelessness, chronically absent, experiencing trauma, and students with disabilities). In addition, students can drop into the wellness center at any time to access the calming space, meet with a provider, join a wellness activity, or access counseling support. Students identified as LGBTQIA+ can access affinity groups (SAGA), Youth Advisory Group (YAG), and specific supports, including psycho-education workshops. BIPOC students can access culturally responsive and staff and services in a variety of [cont. next page]	\$400,000 Funding Track: Expansion	Santa Clara Region 3, San Francisco Bay Area

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Santa Clara County Office of Education CDEP Name: Wellness Center Key Population: LGBTQIA+, Individuals with disabilities, Black/African Americans, Native Americans, Asians, and Pacific Islanders, Mixed Raced, Tribal Nations, Latino/Latinx, Children of Immigrant Families	[cont.] languages at school sites. Sites offer group counseling to newcomers that require support with acculturation and trauma- informed modalities to address their needs.	\$400,000 Funding Track: Expansion	Santa Clara Region 3, San Francisco Bay Area

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Simple Solutions Family Therapy, Inc. DBA Simple Solutions Psychotherapy CDEP Name: My Life Self Determination Model (MLM) Key Population: Latino/Latinx, Asians and Pacific Islanders, Black/African Americans, LGBTQIA+, Native Americans	Simple Solutions Psychotherapy (SSP) will integrate the My Life Self Determination Model (MLM) program into its services, collaborating closely with schools in districts within San Bernardino County to increase youth-directed engagement in transitional services and systems, including foster care, mental health, and post-secondary education. The MLM builds youth's capacity to identify and achieve personal goals, lead service planning processes, and direct their own involvement in programs and institutions. In the MLM, youth are supported to identify and pursue transition goals that they prioritize as most important, and in the context of activities to pursue their goals, they learn and apply key self-determination skills relating to achievement (e.g., decision-making), building allies (e.g., negotiation), and self-regulation (e.g., managing stress).	\$749,999 Funding Track: Start-up	San Bernardino Region 7, Inland Empire

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Sonoma County Office of Education CDEP Name: Youth Transforming Justice Key Population: Latino/Latinx, Black/African Americans, LGBTQIA+, Individuals with disabilities	Youth Transforming Justice (YTJ) Peer Solutions model is a peer-led, restorative justice school discipline model, centered in trauma-responsive practices intended to divert youth from the School-to-Prison Pipeline (S2PP) and keep them in school and out of the carcel system. This program is adapted from the work of YTJ in Marin County. The mission of this program is to successfully address school disciplinary issues in a collaborative manner, centered in accountability and repairing harm. YTJ provides an opportunity for youth who have caused harm to be led through the restorative process by other students. Together they co-create an asset-based plan that demonstrates accountability and uses the students' strengths to repair harm. The process integrates self-reflection and self-discovery with the support of their peers and school staff. The S2PP disproportionately impacts Foster Youth, English [cont. next page]	\$750,000 Funding Track: Start-up	Sonoma Region 2, North Coast

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Sonoma County Office of Education CDEP Name: Youth Transforming Justice Key Population: Latino/Latinx, Black/African Americans, LGBTQIA+, Individuals with disabilities	[cont.] Learners, Black, Indigenous, Latinx students, LGBTQ+ students, students with different abilities, and socioeconomically disadvantaged. Sonoma County data demonstrated marginalized students with the highest rates of suspension in the county. Sonoma County Office of Education will partner with 5-7 secondary schools in Sonoma County. The focus will be to partner with schools that have the highest suspension rates in the county, which are also those schools that have the largest unduplicated student counts.	\$750,000 Funding Track: Start-up	Sonoma Region 2, North Coast

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St. John's Community Health CDEP Name: AFFIRM Model Key Population: LGBTQIA+	The AFFIRM Youth model is designed to 1) reduce depression, anxiety, and poor mental health, 2) reduce the impact of LGBTQ+-specific sources of stress on mental health, and 3) increase healthy coping and hope for the future. The program works by focusing on affirmation of youths' diverse sexual orientations, gender identities, and expressions; helping youth enhance their abilities to cope with anti-LGBTQ+ discrimination and supporting participants to implement strategies aimed at helping them modify unhelpful thoughts, create affirmative support networks, engage in healthy and affirming behaviors, and sustain hope.	\$750,000 Funding Track: Expansion	San Bernardino Region 7, Inland Empire

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Tahoe Youth and Family Services (TYFS) CDEP Name: Youth Drop-In Center Key Population: Latino/Latinx, LGBTQIA+	TYFS will expand our youth-driven program drop-in center for homeless youth, including those who identify as LGBTQIA+. This program is designed with, by, and for youth, providing a safe space for them to find community, support, and advice. We offer a range of services to meet the needs of young people, including mental and behavioral health support, housing, education and employment assistance, and access to other services in South Lake Tahoe, California, for children, youth, parents, and caregivers. We aim to encourage positive youth development and support homeless and LGBTQIA+ youth in achieving safe, stable living arrangements to reduce the likelihood of future harm and trauma. We achieve this by promoting social and emotional well-being, using evidence-based practices, and taking a strengths-based approach.	\$343,263 Funding Track: Expansion	El Dorado Region 1, Superior California

Name of Grantees/ Key Population	Description	Grant Amount/ Funding Track	Location (Primary County)
Telecare Corporation CDEP Name: Youth Drop-In Center Key Population: Asians and Pacific Islanders, Black/African Americans, Latino/Latinx, Native Americans, LGBTQIA+	The Telecare Youth Wellness Connection, a component of Telecare Early Intervention and Recovery program (TEIR), located in Stockton, CA aims to create a safe and welcoming environment for homeless, at-risk youth experiencing serious mental illness, and LGBTQIA+ individuals. The program will offer pro-social wellness activities and will be open to both TEIR program participants and youth who are not yet hyperconnected to services. The focus of this program is to promote mental health and wellness, with emphasis on early intervention and prevention.	\$399,996 Funding Track: Start-up	San Joaquin Region 4, Northern San Joaquin Valley

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The Regents of the University of CA, San Francisco CDEP Name: QueerSpace Key Population: LGBTQIA+	The vision for QueerSpace, peer-led drop-in centers for LGBTQIA+ youth at UCSF Benioff Children’s Hospital Oakland’s (BCHO) two school-based health centers, will be ultimately shaped and led by youth themselves; however, we propose the following as a launching point, based on preliminary youth input, our lived and clinical experiences partnering with LGBTQIA+ youth of color, and empirical research on supportive and healing practices with these communities.	\$538,051 Funding Track: Start-up	San Francisco Region 3, San Francisco Bay Area

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Trans and Queer Youth Collective (TQYC) CDEP Name: N/A Other Youth Driven Program Key Population: LGBTQIA+	TQYC currently provides: » Mental-health centered support groups (grades 6-12) on Zoom. » Monthly special interest and peer-support groups (ages 17-24) on Zoom. » 24/7 peer-support & community access through TQYC's Discord server. » Gender affirming supplies. » Peer support services. » Paid youth leadership opportunities and peer-support skills training. » Linkage to community partners and behavioral health resources. » Harm-reduction support from trauma-informed and culturally responsive staff. » Behavioral health and psychoeducational activities. » Family and school advocacy services. » 2SLGBTQIA+ & SOGIE trainings. » In-person youth and community resource events.	\$309,390 Funding Track: Expansion	Sacramento Region 1, Superior California

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Two Feathers- Native American Family Services (NAFS) CDEP Name: ACORN Make It Stronger (CDEP) & Transition to Independence (TIP) Model (EBP) Key Population: Native Americans	Two Feathers NAFS plans to construct the Two Feathers Wellness Village in Hoopa, California, where services are greatly needed. This initiative will be youth-driven and be shaped by feedback from youth within the community. Using the CDEP ACORN Make It Stronger and the Transition to Independence (TIP) Model of EBP, Two Feathers strives to facilitate youth development towards greater self-sufficiency and successful achievement of short-term and long-term goals across relevant Transition Domains, (employment/career, educational opportunities, living situation, personal effectiveness/well-being, and community-life functioning).	\$749,949 Funding Track: Expansion	Humbolt Region 2, North Coast

Name of Grantees/ Key Population	Description	Grant Amount/ Funding Track	Location (Primary County)
Westside Family Preservation Services Network CDEP Name: Platicas y Atencion Plena Key Population: Latino/Latinx	Focused on primary and secondary prevention, sustainability, scalability; effectiveness, equity, and specifically, to fill in the gaps in the current behavioral health landscape for rural youth in historically underserved and marginalized communities, especially focusing on Transition Aged Youth (TAY). We will support employment and education, and provide service coordination and case management for those youth and their families experiencing issues of mental health and wellbeing, as well as concomitant issues like homelessness, incarceration, poverty, and general lack of sufficient mental and physical health resources for this cohort. We will engage two Youth Councils, each comprised of TAY, to focus on the distinct demographics of rural Western Fresno County agricultural communities and in Eastern rural Madera County with its Appalachian-like demographic of generational poverty and isolation.	\$400,000 Funding Track: Expansion	Fresno Region 6, Southern San Joaquin Valley

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Whole Systems Learning CDEP Name: Turning Resilience into Brilliance for Eternity T.R.I.B.E Key Population: Black/African Americans, Latino/Latinx	Youth Center will have year-round programming in different therapeutic modalities such as art or music, and address the social determinants of health through entrepreneurship, mental health, legal advocacy, and meeting basic needs. Emphasis is on CDEP that includes developing culturally relevant protective factors, complex trauma healing and DTD (Developmental Trauma Disorder), and cognitive intervention that includes emotional intelligence, conflict resolution, and career development.	\$750,000 Funding Track: Integrated	Los Angeles Region 8, Los Angeles County

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A Hopeful Encounter CDEP Name: Harmony Heritage Program Key Population: Refugees, Children of Immigrants, Asian and Pacific Islanders, Hmong	To provide culturally informed and flexible outpatient treatment for Hmong adolescents aged 8-18 and their families, in both Hmong and English. Treatment will include individual and group therapy sessions focused on emotional regulation, cultural stressors, and incorporating traditional healing practices. To address disruptive behaviors, improve emotional regulation, reduce substance use, and enhance mood and anxiety symptoms within the context of Hmong cultural beliefs. To support Hmong adolescents in making healthy choices, including reducing risky behaviors, while respecting cultural values. To address unique cultural stressors and incorporate traditional healing practices within the Hmong community.	\$750,000 Funding Track: Start up	Fresno Region 6, Southern San Joaquin Valley

Name of Grantees/ Key Population	Description	Grant Amount/ Funding Track	Location (Primary County)
Central Coast Psychological Services (CCPS) CDEP Name: CCPS Inclusive Youth Therapy Program Key Population: Latino/Latinx, LGBTQIA+, Low-Income	CCPS is dedicated to breaking down barriers to mental health access for youth, particularly for those who are low SES, LGBTQIA, Latinx/minority, displaced/unhoused/foster care, and/or neurodivergent. Our goal is to expand early intervention services in capacity, specialization, and accessibility to ensure that no youth in our community is left without vital mental health tools and support.	\$400,000 Funding Track: Expansion	San Luis Obispo Region 5, Central Coast
Children’s Bureau of Southern California CDEP Name: Familias Unidas Key Population: Latino/Latinx	Central Coast Psychological Services provides compassionate, evidence-based mental health care to individuals and families across California’s Central Coast. Their team of therapists offers personalized treatment plans, psychological assessments, group therapy, and crisis intervention in tranquil, inclusive environments—meeting clients wherever they are on their healing journey. CCPS prioritizes equity, cultural sensitivity, and community collaboration to foster growth, resilience, and well-being for all.	\$400,219 Funding Track: Start-up	Los Angeles Region 8, Los Angeles County

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Easterseals Southern California (ESSC) CDEP Name: Mom Power® Key Population: Intellectual/ Developmental Disabilities (I/DD)	Mom Power® evidence-based practice (EBP) to fill the critical need of training practitioners well-versed in both therapeutic approaches to mental health and I/DD co-occurring diagnoses. ESSC proposes to tailor the Mom Power® curriculum, which supports mental and behavioral health, to include children ages 0-5 with autism spectrum disorder (ASD) and other intellectual and developmental disabilities (I/DD) and their parents/caregivers.	\$729,988 Funding Track: Startup	Multiple Region Not Listed

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El Sol Neighborhood Educational Center CDEP Name: Familias Unidas Key Population: Not listed	El Sol Neighborhood Educational Center is a trusted, community-rooted nonprofit serving the Inland Empire for over 30 years. The organization empowers vulnerable populations especially monolingual Spanish speakers, immigrant families, and individuals with limited English proficiency by advancing health equity through culturally grounded approaches. El Sol's programs mobilize and train Community Health Workers/Promotores (CHW/Ps) to educate, support, and build relationships, while also providing home visitation, parent coaching, and resource navigation to strengthen families and build healthier communities. El Sol's CDEP framework blends evidence-informed public health and family support strategies with culturally rooted adaptations that strengthen trust, improve engagement, and increase the effectiveness of care for populations underserved by traditional service models.	\$750,000 Funding Track: Start-up	San Bernardino Region 7, Riverside

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Five Acres - The Boy's and Girl's Aid Society of Los Angeles County CDEP Name: Five Acres Prevention and Early Intervention Services for Children, Youth, and Families Key Population: Regional	Five Acres Prevention and Early Intervention groups will support the children and youth who are unserved or underserved in the surrounding communities. The group's goal aims to reduce the stigma of seeking mental health services, aid mental wellness, provide services in a culturally sensitive manner, and increase community connectivity by providing services within their community. The foundation of MAP lies in its extensive utilization of evidence-based sources. It integrates well-established principles and approaches that have demonstrated effectiveness in behavioral health interventions. Additionally, MAP recognizes the importance of community perspectives in shaping effective interventions. It offers flexibility to providers, allowing them to adapt and customize the treatment modules to align with the specific needs and preferences of their communities, ensuring that the interventions are not only evidence-based but also [cont. next page]	\$399,998 Funding Track: Expansion	Los Angeles Region 8, Los Angeles County

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Five Acres - The Boy's and Girl's Aid Society of Los Angeles County CDEP Name: Five Acres Prevention and Early Intervention Services for Children, Youth, and Families Key Population: Regional	[cont.] sensitive to the unique needs and characteristics of the populations being served.	\$399,998 Funding Track: Expansion	Los Angeles Region 8, Los Angeles County

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Friends of The City (FOTC) - SF Bay Area CDEP Name: Supporting Children's Improved Mental Health and Prosocial Development through Long-term, Evidence-based Professional Mentoring Key Population: Low-Income, Intellectual/Developmental Disabilities, Black/African American, Latino/Latinx, Native Americans, Asians, and Pacific Islanders	Supporting children's improved mental health and prosocial development through long-term, evidenced-based professional mentoring. Mentors are paid, salaried, trained caring adults. Each youth receives a 12½ year commitment of our mentoring services which include academic support, social emotional learning, and being a life navigator leveraging community supports for whole child, wrap around services.	\$399,141 Funding Track: Expansion	San Francisco Region 3, San Francisco Bay Area
Kings Partnership for Prevention CDEP Name: Familias Unidas Key Population: Not listed	Kings Partnership for Prevention (KPFP) is a community coalition in Kings County that promotes wellness through prevention education, mental health support, substance use prevention, and trauma-informed practices. KPFP brings together local agencies, schools, health organizations, and community groups to improve health, family stability, education, and [cont. next page]	\$605,200 Funding Track: Start-up	Kings Region 6, Southern San Joaquin Valley

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Kings Partnership for Prevention CDEP Name: Familias Unidas Key Population: Not listed	[cont.] overall quality of life. The coalition engages residents through outreach, data tools, and community workgroups to support healthy living and strengthen well-being across the county.	\$605,200 Funding Track: Start-up	Kings Region 6, Southern San Joaquin Valley

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La Concordia Wellness Center CDEP Name: Queer-Trans Affirm Project (QTAP) Youth Key Population: LGBTQIA+	These groups will follow the Affirm Youth model and further expand by providing a support group for the parents of the youth and teens as well. The youth and teens participating in groups will learn how to identify and manage their own triggers to support them in stress management, recognize the connection of thoughts, feelings, and behaviors, and increase in self-awareness by utilizing a trauma-informed approach.	\$366,980 Funding Track: Start-up	Contra Costa Region 3, San Francisco Bay Area

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Mentis CDEP Name: Affirm Youth Key Population: LGBTQIA+	AFFIRM Youth is an evidence-based, eight module manualized coping skills training intervention focused on reducing mental health issues and behavioral risks experienced by LGBTQ+ populations. As a manualized intervention, AFFIRM Youth is delivered by trained and certified mental health clinicians in a group-based format. AFFIRM Caregiver is an evidence-informed, seven-session, manualized intervention aimed at enhancing affirmative parenting practices in order to promote LGBTQ+ youth safety and wellbeing. AFFIRM Caregiver is designed to work with all caregivers of LGBTQ+ children and youth.	\$544,485 Funding Track: Start-up	Napa Region 3, North Coast

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Orange County Asian and Pacific Islander Community Alliance, Inc CDEP Name: OCAPICA Project HOPE Key Population: Asians and Pacific Islanders	Project HOPE is a community-based program for children, youth, and Transitional Aged Youth (ages 0-25 years old) and their family/caregivers, which seeks to promote wellness, recovery, and adaptive community functioning primarily by increasing awareness of mental health, addressing stigma of mental illness, and ensuring access to services. Project HOPE serves as the first point of contact to meet participants' needs through AANHPI culturally and linguistically competent services delivered on a continuum of care.	\$750,000 Funding Track: Start-up	Orange Region 9, Orange County

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Orange County Bar Foundation DBS Project Youth OC CDEP Name: STOP SHORT of Addiction Key Population: Asians and Pacific Islanders, LGBTQIA+, Black/African Americans	STOP SHORT of Addiction was developed in 1999 in response to the increasing rates of youth substance abuse in Orange County. It provides substance abuse services to youth drug offenders or drug users, ages 10-18. SHORTSTOP, an award-winning program, is nationally acclaimed for having a 95% success rate in diverting juvenile crime. Following this program model, STOP SHORT of Addiction was designed to be an answer to law enforcement and school demands for substance abuse services for troubled youth who are beyond prevention efforts yet not incarcerated.	\$400,000 Funding Track: Expansion	Orange Region 9, Orange County
Pacific Clinics CDEP Name: Familias Unidas Key Populations: Not listed	Familias Unidas is a family-centered intervention that aims to prevent substance use and risky sexual behavior among Hispanic adolescents. Familias Unidas aims to empower parents by increasing their support network, teaching them about protective and risk factors, improving parenting skills, enhancing parent-adolescent communication, and facilitating parental involvement and investment in adolescents' lives.	\$392,328 Funding Track: Expansion	San Bernardino Region 7, Inland Empire

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Reach Out West End CDEP Name: Familias Unidas Key Populations: Not listed	Familias Unidas is a family-centered intervention that aims to prevent substance use and risky sexual behavior among Hispanic adolescents. Familias Unidas aims to empower parents by increasing their support network, teaching them about protective and risk factors, improving parenting skills, enhancing parent-adolescent communication, and facilitating parental involvement and investment in adolescents' lives.	\$750,000 Funding Track: Start-up	San Bernardino Region 7, Inland Empire
Riverside County Office of Education, Alternative Education CDEP Name: Behavioral Health Associates Key Population: Asians and Pacific Islanders, LGBTQIA+, Black/African Americans, Latino/Latinx, Native Americans	The project will focus on providing equitable access to behavioral health services for our students enrolled in Alternative Education throughout Riverside County. The Behavioral Health Associates will provide early intervention services including screening, individual counseling, family counseling, group counseling, crisis counseling, psycho-education, coordination of care, parent education, and classroom presentations. Aimed at promoting equity and inclusivity, our students will have access to early intervention services including those focused on prevention, early intervention, and resiliency/ recovery, for children and youth from BIPOC and LGBTQIA+ communities.	\$726,000 Funding Track: Start-up	Riverside Region 7, Inland Empire

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Sacramento Youth Center CDEP Name: Peer Support Services Key Population: Students	Delivering a Peer Specialists service in a new telehealth hybrid format utilizing schools as an access point. Establishing a hybrid telehealth option was derived from findings in participation of the COE-BT learning collaboration where youth identified school as being the best place to learn/access telehealth options and/or receive services.	\$750,000 Funding Track: Expansion	Sacramento Region 1, Superior California
San Diego Unified School District CDEP Name: FamilyWell Key Population: Asians and Pacific Islanders, Black/African American, Latino/Latinx, LGBTQIA+, Native Americans	FamilyWell is an initiative designed to proactively address the mental health and well-being of elementary/K-8 school students and their families. Rooted in evidence-based practices, FamilyWell emphasizes the importance of prevention and early intervention to ensure that children and families receive the support they need before challenges escalate.	\$718,139 Funding Track: Start-up	San Diego Region 10, San Diego - Imperial

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Summitview Child & Family Services CDEP Name: Family & Children's Place School-Based Therapy Services Key Population: Latino/Latinx, Black/African American, Asians and Pacific Islanders	The Wellness program is a school-based mental health program that provides free short-term (6-8 sessions) individual and/or group counseling services to youth and their families in El Dorado County. In addition to counseling services, the Wellness program assists families in identifying and accessing various community resources, such as: long term counseling services through insurance, specialty mental health services, food resources, clothing resources, insurance enrollment resources, housing, employment, etc. Wellness employees also provide crisis counseling services to the school campuses served.	\$399,965 Funding Track: Expansion	El Dorado Region 1, Superior California

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West Fresno Health Care Coalition DBA West Fresno Family Resource Center CDEP Name: Sweet Potato Program Key Population: Latino/Latinx, Black/African American	The Sweet Potato Program (SPP) promotes agricultural literacy and skill development, including healthy decision-making, life skills, and mental health awareness, tailored to meet the specific needs of South West Fresno minority youth aged 10-16 and their families in the 93706-zip code. This is achieved through educational programs that focus on the agriculture and production of locally grown, seasonal produce. Program participants not only gain knowledge but also create fresh market opportunities and engage in entrepreneurial activities using the crops they will grow and harvest themselves. The SPP contributes to food sovereignty by establishing spaces where community members can access healthy, culturally relevant foods, promoting self-sufficiency, ecological sustainability, and greater control over their own food sources.	\$400,000 Funding Track: Expansion	Fresno Region 6, Southern San Joaquin Valley

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YMCA of San Diego County CDEP Name: Connections 3.0: Building Bonds Key Population: Regional	Building Bonds will work with caregivers seeking more intensive treatment for their children/youth using Trust-Based Relational Intervention (TBRI). TBRI is a trauma-informed intervention grounded in attachment theory, which aims to support parents and caregivers in providing nurturing, loving, stable relationships for children as an early intervention strategy that may lead to lower levels of high acuity care and more intensive treatment. Building Bonds will use a TBRI approach for parents/caregivers seeking more intensive treatment for their children/youth in the foster care system, specifically families in the YMCA's Kinship, Permanent Connections, and other Youth and Family Services Programs.	\$750,000 Funding Track: Start-up	San Diego Region 10, San Diego – Imperial

