



# California Behavioral Health Planning Council

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## California Behavioral Health Planning Council Funding Summary

The California Behavioral Health Planning Council (CBHPC) expenditures support council operations, including data-evaluation contracts and fees, recording contracts and fees, Council Member recruitment, conference registrations, public forums, meeting-space rentals, audio-visual services for off-site public meetings, lodging for 40 CBHPC members to attend quarterly meetings and conferences, advocacy activities and 8.0 full-time permanent positions. At every quarterly meeting, the Executive Committee oversees CBHPC spending by examining expenditures and offering guidance to CBHPC staff. Detailed expenditure reports can be found in the Executive Committee meeting packets located on the [Past Meetings Materials](#) page.

### Mental Health Block Grant (MHBG) Funding

Allotment	FY 2023-24	FY 2024-25	FY 2025-26
Salaries & Wages	\$276,816	\$116,972	\$318,114
Benefits	\$140,720	\$57,803	\$124,671
General Expense	\$156,723	160, 650	\$132,451
Communications	\$0	\$0	\$0
Travel – In-State	\$60,000	\$85,000	\$85,000
Training/Conferences	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$10,000
Interdepartmental Contracts/Services	\$0	\$0	\$25,000
External Contracts/Services	\$9,999	\$25,000	\$85,000
Total	674,258	475,425	780,236

The California Behavioral Health Planning Council (CBHPC) fulfills federally mandated responsibilities that allow the State to receive its Community Mental Health Services Block Grant (MHBG). Under federal law PL 102-321, the Council must review and recommend changes to the State’s mental health plan, review the State’s annual implementation report, advocate for adults with serious mental illness and children with severe emotional disturbance, and monitor, review, and evaluate the adequacy and allocation of mental health services statewide. These duties ensure federal oversight, accountability, and continuous improvement of the State’s publicly funded behavioral health system.

## Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Now BHSA as of July 1, 2026

Allotment	FY 2023-24	FY 2024-25	FY 2025-26
Salaries & Wages	\$375,311	\$331,906	\$331,775
Benefits	\$190,787	\$163,878	\$124,437
General Expense	\$122,450	\$106,350	\$88,549
Communications	\$0	\$5,000	\$5,000
Travel – In-State	\$40,000	\$65,000	\$65,000
Training/Conferences	\$20,000	\$15,000	\$5,000
Interdepartmental Contracts/Services	\$0	\$0	\$0
External Contracts/Services	\$162,150	\$201,446	\$40,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$910,698</b>	<b>\$888,580*</b>	<b>\$659,761*</b>

*\*For FY 2024-25 and FY 2025-2026, allotments were reduced by the Department of Health Care Services as a result of the ongoing State Operations reductions outlined in BL-24-10.*

The California Behavioral Health Planning Council (CBHPC) is responsible for the review of Behavioral Health Services Act (BHSA) funded programs based on performance outcome data and reports from the Department of Health Care Services and other sources. This includes the development of the annual Data Notebook to the local Behavioral Health Boards and Commissions for their input on county performance in specific areas of the system funded by BHSA. The CBHPC regularly issues recommendations on targeted aspects of the community mental/behavioral health system. Additionally, the CBHPC advises the Department of Health Care Access and Information (HCAI) on education and training policy, collaborates on their statewide needs assessment, and provides oversight for the development of the five-year Workforce Education and Training plan, approving it every five years. The CBHPC also advises the Department of Health Care Services and the Legislature on priority behavioral health issues, including statewide planning and advocating for adults living with a serious mental illness and children with Severe Emotional Disturbances.

Additional information about the California Behavioral Health Planning Council's [Roles and Responsibilities](#) as well as our [Mission and Vision](#) can be found on our [webpage](#).