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Cross Cutting CFJL Taskforce Intercept Recommendation Grid – Updated April 2023

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Purpose: This document has been established to track the Taskforce's system or agency recommendations as guided by the Alameda County Board of Supervisors' [Resolution](#). The approach to the development of county recommendations was adopted on [July 28, 2022](#). This document is a *dynamic* reference point that will reflect the discussion by the task force to approve recommendations as final for inclusion into the agency and county and final workplan.

Summary CFJL Taskforce Preliminary Recommendations to Date:

NOTE: County Departments will be required to submit more comprehensive plan details, including project/program information, financing, duration (short-term, medium-term, and long-term), and related measures of success (metrics) with evidence of an equity, outcome, and data-driven framework; which involves interagency coordination. These plans will inform and assist in the development of a Countywide plan that fosters cross-agency collaboration with non-county organizations and stakeholders (References: CFJL Task Force [July 28, 2022](#) and [August 25, 2022](#)).

Intercept (Cross Cutting)	Agency(ies) Involved	Issues it address/Related data points	Remaining data questions?	Budget questions/ Recommendations	Notes:
Recommendations					
1. Identify and recommend ongoing county agency practices that measure unmet needs and service gaps.	•	•	•	•	•
2. Fund dedicated Alameda County Behavioral Health staff time and/or a consultant to conduct gap analysis to concretely measure unmet mental health needs, including those named above.	•	•	•	•	•



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3. Assess and evaluate the causes of staff shortages and outcomes of efforts to recruit and retain behavioral health line staff in Alameda County.	•	•	•	•	•
4. Create transparency around the County's reserves and fund balances.	•	•	•	•	•
5. Increase and maintain Alameda County advocacy to the California and federal governments for legislation that expands funds, especially for flexible funds that can be used to serve multiple populations, for both capital and program costs, and for types of supportive housing and services that have been difficult to fund.	•	•	•	•	•
6. Create transparency of Alameda County's unspent state realignment funds designated for Medi-Cal services.	•	•	•	•	•
7. Create a public accounting of unspent funds in Santa Rita Jail.	•	•	•	•	•
8. Create a budget report on how the funds mandated by the Babu settlement have been allocated and spent, and the status of implementation of the settlement's terms.	•	•	•	•	•
9. Fully fund the Alameda County Behavioral Health Department's countywide Forensic Plan.	•	•	•	•	•
10. Policy change. Ensure that families with formerly	•	•	•	•	•



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<p><i>incarcerated/criminalized family members are not restricted from accessing affordable/supportive housing in Alameda County; create alternatives to Section 8 Housing that support system-impacted families.</i></p>					
<p>11. <i>To maintain existing programs and services run by community behavioral health service providers, behavioral health community-based organization line staff should receive compensation equal to county staff in comparable positions.</i></p>	•	•	•	•	•
<p>12. <i>Allocate county funds towards permanent supportive housing programs and services for those who are unhoused, suffering from mental illness and/or substance use disorders, and/or are formerly incarcerated.</i></p>	•	•	•	•	•
<p>13. <i>Double the number of people served by Full Service Partnerships, which are wrap-around services for people with severe mental illness and/or substance use disorders, with a plan to further expand FSPs to meet the need.</i></p>	•	•	•	•	•