

**REPORT/RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY
AND RECORD OF ACTION**

June 10, 2025

FROM

GEORGINA YOSHIOKA, Director, Department of Behavioral Health

SUBJECT

Purchase and Distribution of Prepaid Bus Passes to Clients to Assist with Transportation Needs

RECOMMENDATION(S)

Approve the purchase and distribution of prepaid bus passes to provide eligible clients with transportation assistance, in an amount not to exceed \$97,986, for the period of July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026.

(Presenter: Georgina Yoshioka, Director, 252-5142)

COUNTY AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER GOALS & OBJECTIVES

Provide for the Safety, Health and Social Service Needs of County Residents.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

This item does not impact Discretionary General Funding (Net County Cost). The purchase of prepaid bus passes, in an amount not to exceed \$97,986, will be funded through a combination of California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids; Mental Health Services Act; Substance Use Prevention, Treatment and Recovery Services Block Grant; Community Mental Health Services Block Grant; and 1991 and 2011 Realignment funds. Adequate appropriation and revenue will be included in the Department of Behavioral Health's (DBH) 2025-26 budget.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

DBH is responsible for providing mental health and substance use disorder (SUD) services to county residents experiencing severe mental illness and/or SUD. Per DBH's Bus Pass Program Policy, DBH utilizes prepaid bus passes to maximize the clients' cooperation and participation in DBH programs. Bus passes are provided to clients to assist with their transportation needs, ensuring they can continue to attend scheduled appointments with physicians and clinicians thereby allowing clients to fulfill their recovery goals.

Prepaid bus passes costing \$60 for adults and \$45 for senior citizens are purchased from vendors throughout the County to offer Countywide transportation services to clients. Bus pass vendors include, but are not limited to the following agencies:

- Basin Transit
- Mountain Transit
- Needles Area Transit
- Omnitrans
- Victor Valley Transit Authority – Direct Access

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- Victor Valley Transit Authority – Senior Disability

In accordance with the Auditor-Controller/Treasurer/Tax Collector Internal Controls and Cash Manual, DBH maintains and ensures adherence to internal policies and procedures regarding safeguards and the proper handling of prepaid negotiables.

PROCUREMENT

Not applicable.

REVIEW BY OTHERS

This item has been reviewed by Behavioral Health (Lisa Rivas-Ordaz, Contracts Supervisor, 383-3940) May 9, 2025; County Counsel (Dawn Martin, Deputy County Counsel, 387-5455) on May 13, 2025; Auditor-Controller/Treasurer/Tax Collector (Denise Mejico, Deputy Chief Auditor, 382-3107) on May 28, 2025; Finance (Paul Garcia, Administrative Analyst, 386-8392) on May 21, 2025; and County Finance and Administration (Cheryl Adams, Deputy Executive Officer, 388-0332) on May 22, 2025.

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APPROVED (CONSENT CALENDAR)

Moved: Joe Baca, Jr. Seconded: Curt Hagman

Ayes: Col. Paul Cook (Ret.), Jesse Armendarez, Dawn Rowe, Curt Hagman, Joe Baca, Jr.

Lynna Monell, CLERK OF THE BOARD

BY 
DATED: June 10, 2025



cc: File - Behavioral Health

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