



## CENTRAL SERVICE AREA AUTHORITY

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County LAC

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Your Local Advisory Council (LAC) was given \$1147.

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### Please answer the following questions:

1. How did your LAC use the funds from the CSAA? We held a Strategic Planning Workshop which was 2- four hour sessions facilitated by Beki Brandborg. This included \$1200 for Beki's fee, \$170 for the venue, and \$72 for the refreshments.
2. What was accomplished or done as a result of these funds? Several community stakeholders were present at the Strategic Planning and we did a SWOT Analysis for the LAC. As a result, we came up with an order of priorities. The priorities we identified were:  
1) Conduct a Community Needs Assessment regarding mental health. 2) Develop a Youth Advocacy Group 3) Develop a 72 hour Crisis Response House 4) Advocate for a Mental Health Court, and 5) Collaborate with Child Protective Services. Currently, we are working on the first priority, have formed an active committee working on a Community Assessment, and they are making progress toward this goal.
3. If your LAC were to get funds this year what would you hope to accomplish or do with those funds? Publicize the LAC, provide refreshments for meetings, cover expenses in order to continue with the Community Assessment until it's completion and start working on our next priority.
4. How many meetings did you have in your fiscal year? 10
5. How many active members are in your LAC? 15-17
6. What are your top three priorities? Listed above
7. What are your top three challenges? 1) Expanding membership 1) Getting buy-in from community stakeholders and 3) Involving more LAC members.