
allcove™ Youth Drop-In Center Program Summaries

Wellnest®

Location: Avis & Mark Ridley-Thomas Life Learning Center and Hope for Housing LA Program

The Wellnest® youth drop-in center is located in South Los Angeles where one of Los Angeles County's largest youth population is living in poverty and experiencing homelessness. South Los Angeles youth are more likely to experience trauma and engage with the foster care and juvenile justice systems. The Wellnest® allcove™ youth drop-in center will address the most pressing needs, such as:

- Increasing youth access to mental health treatment
- Increasing access to substance use treatment for youth with co-occurring disorders
- Reducing housing insecurity
- Strengthening the voice and positive influence of youth within their communities
- Providing daily comprehensive services and amenities within a safe and respectful space

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Collaborative Partners: 29

- Integrated Care at Adventist Health White Memorial Hospital
- Jobs/Vision/Success Southern California
- Section 8 Managers
- United Friends of the Children
- Sanctuary of Hope
- Claris Health
- Exodus Recovery
- Children's Hospital of Los Angeles
Department of Adolescence Medicine
Center for Trans Youth Health and Development
- The Center
- Cultiva Youth
- Peace Over Violence
- Ferias Legales
- Community Action Partner Alliance (CAP)
- Para Los Ninos WorkSource Center
- Precious Pearls
- Los Angeles Centers for Alcohol and Drug Abuse (LA CADA)
- SOLA Rentals
- United LA, Cash for College
- Tarzana Treatment Centers
- Homeboy Industries
- Wesley Health Centers & JWCH Institute
- LA LGBT Center
- Service Planning Area 6 Coordinated Entry System for Homeless Transition-Age Youth Lead: Coalition for Responsible Community Development
- Bank of America, Merrill Lynch
- Food Forward
- Children's Law Center
- Westside Homeless Youth Partnership
- Community Coalition
- Community College Foundation (CCF)

Peninsula Health Care District

Location: San Mateo County, City of Burlingame

Current services are offered in a variety of settings throughout the community including school sites, wellness centers, clinics, after school programs, community centers, and shelters. Grant funds will be used to establish a dedicated facility for an allcove™ center. The allcove™ center will provide a central point of access and will seek to improve the continuum of care in three ways:

1. Increase access to early intervention and treatment through the physical, mental, and early addiction services.
2. Create a network of community partners and processes to achieve seamless transitions from referrals through different levels of care.
3. Engage their Youth Advisory Group in developing and launching an impactful mental wellness promotion campaign.

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Collaborative Partners: 11

- Samaritan House
- San Mateo Union High School District
- Edgewood Center for Families
- Friends for Youth
- OneLife Counseling
- Sand Hill Foundation
- San Mateo County Health System
- StarVista
- San Mateo County Office of Education
- Peninsula Bridge
- Acknowledge Alliance

University of California (UC) Irvine and the Wellness & Prevention Center

Location: UC Irvine Campus (Hub) and South Orange County (Spoke)

Orange County's allcove™ center will use a "hub and spoke" approach to advance behavioral health care to youth across Orange County. As the "hub" UC Irvine will offer centralized program development, evaluation, and training as well as services for youth on UC Irvine's campus. The Wellness & Prevention Center "spoke" will offer a full array of services but benefit from opportunities and expertise offered by the "hub." Both sites will offer a full range of services for youth including mental health, substance use, and primary care. The long-range plan will be to develop future "spokes" to expand the impact of this model throughout Orange County.

Grant funds will be used to address the following program goals:

- Reduce suicide and suicide ideation
- Reduce homelessness
- Reduce unemployment with linkage to vocational training programs
- Reduce school failure through linkage to educational support services
- Provide peer support services

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Collaborative Partners: 13

- James Henry Ransom Foundation
- Capistrano Unified School District
- Isabelle Lee, Mental Health Commissioner
- Laura's House
- Olivia McHenry, Youth Advisory Group
- Shruti Marada, Youth Advisory Group
- Gabby Zeni, Youth Advisory Group
- Children's Hospital of Orange County
- Orange County Health Care Agency
- Insight Psychotherapy Group
- Bryson Smalls, Youth Advisory Group
- Lillianne Ransom, Youth Advisory Group
- Amarii Sandoval, Youth Advisory Group

Sacramento County Behavioral Health Services

Location: Sacramento County

Sacramento County Behavioral Health Services will contract with a community-based organization who is Medi-Cal certified to provide youth drop-in center services utilizing the allcove™ model. Sacramento County Behavioral Health Services currently contracts with local organizations to offer respite, outreach, and triage services to meet the needs of transition age youth in Sacramento County. Having a youth drop-in center in one location will support Sacramento County youth with follow through, engagement, building their own community, and destigmatizing access to multiple types of services such as mental health, physical health, substance abuse, and educational and vocational support.

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Collaborative Partners: 14

- Wind Youth Services
- Sacramento Native American Health Center (SNAHC)
- One Community Health
- Freedom Bound Center/Sol Collective
- Boy's and Girl's Club of Greater Sacramento
- City of Sacramento Youth, Parks & Community Enrichment
- Central Star Behavioral Health, Inc.
- Sacramento LGBT Community Center
- Sacramento County Child Protective Services
- Peach Tree Healthcare
- Child Protective Services
- Gender Health Center
- Sacramento County Probation Department
- Friday Night Live/Sacramento County Office of Education

Beach Cities Health District

Location: Los Angeles County

In 2016, the Beach Cities Health District – a preventive health agency that has been serving the communities of Hermosa Beach, Manhattan Beach, and Redondo Beach since 1955 – identified substance use prevention and mental health as top health priorities for Beach Cities youth and began exploring how to support the community-level efforts already in place. A communitywide coalition, the Beach Cities Partnership for Youth, was established in 2017 including five separate workgroups of students, parents, school leadership, healthcare providers, and the community at large. One of those workgroups, the Youth Advisory Council, is comprised of 85 students from local schools. They will help support all activities of the allcove™ youth drop-in center including planning, design, programming, and implementation.

Grant funding will allow the Beach Cities Health District to establish an allcove™ location in Redondo Beach that will be accessible to neighboring communities in Service Planning Area 8 including Carson, El Segundo, Gardena, Hawthorne, Hermosa Beach, Inglewood, Lawndale, Lomita, Manhattan Beach, Palos Verdes Estates, Rancho Palos Verdes, Rolling Hills, Rolling Hills Estates, Torrance, and the Harbor City/San Pedro/Wilmington communities of the City of Los Angeles, along with the unincorporated areas of the County of Los Angeles Districts 2 and 4.

More than 160 collaborative partners have signed on to support allcove™, with agency partners listed below. These partners will assist the grantee in providing an integrated health and mental health program including employment support, case management, substance use disorder referral services, counseling, and vocational support, serving as a one-stop shop for young people ages 12 to 25 to access critical mental health support and services.

Collaborative Partners: 45

- Albert Knapp & Associates
- Beach Cities Partnership for Youth Coalition, Drug-Free Communities Program
- Behavioral Health Services, Inc.
- Clear Recovery Center
- Eugenie Lewis, LCSW, Creative Life Mapping
- Dr. Brittany Dafesh, Clinical Psychologist, Inc.
- Erin Rieger, LMFT
- Catherine Graham, Financial Aid Shop
- Fusion Academy South Bay
- Insight Treatment
- Kaiser Permanente
- Whitney Boole, LMFT
- Marina Braff, LMFT
- National Alliance on Mental Illness
- One Heart Counseling
- Positive Coaching Alliance
- Robin Kusilka, LMFT
- South Bay Adult School
- South Bay Council of Governments
- South Bay Family Health Care
- Wave Church
- Volunteer Center South Bay-Harbor-Long Beach
- Los Angeles County Department of Public Health, Substance Abuse Prevention and Control
- Beach Cities LGBT Therapy
- Torrance Memorial's Thelma McMillen Center
- Center for Discovery
- Community Psychiatry Group
- Didi Hirsch Suicide Prevention Center
- Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health
- 1736 Family Crisis Center
- Freedom 4 U
- Girl Scouts of America
- Juvenile Diversion Project
- Leah Niehaus, LCSW
- Manhattan Beach Teen Center
- Mothers Against Drunk Driving
- Office of Assemblymember Al Muratsuchi
- Parent Warriors
- Rebecca Stewart, LMFT
- Shauna Letvin, LCSW
- South Bay Children's Health Center
- South Bay Families Connected
- Stillwater Family Therapy
- Manhattan Beach Chamber of Commerce
- Janice Hahn, Los Angeles County Supervisor, Fourth District