NOTICE OF MEETING .....  
MOBILE WELLNESS VAN COMMITTEE  
Monday, April 24, 2017  
1380 Howard Street  
MHB Office, Room 515  
5:00 PM  
AGENDA: 

1.0 REVIEW OF MOBILE WELLNESS VAN COMMITTEE MINUTES  
For discussion and action  

1.1 Public comment  
1.2 PROPOSED RESOLUTION: Be it resolved that the minutes of the Executive Committee meeting of March 27, 2017 be approved as submitted.  

2.0 REVIEW RESOLUTION  
For discussion  

RESOLUTION (MHB 2016-06): Be It Resolved the Mental Health Board advocates funding for five Wellness Mobile vehicles with sufficient staffing for FY 2017-2018, to provide underserved neighborhoods with 24 hour, 7 days a week safe, walk-in spaces for people in crisis or in need of walk-in behavioral health services.  

Whereas, it is the vision of the Department of Public Health to promote and to protect the health and well-being of all San Franciscans, and;  

Whereas, the Department has been striving for development of more comprehensive, innovative, culturally responsive services to individuals and families with behavioral health challenges, and;  

Whereas, according to interviews with mental health professionals at Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital (ZSFGH), Psychiatric Emergency Services (PES), a significant percentage of patients who self-admit are only seeking a temporary quiet and safe space to de-escalate and just talk to someone, and;  

Whereas, the current demand for psychiatric crisis services at ZSFGH PES often results in the hospital reaching capacity and thus diverting patients to other hospitals, and;
Whereas, hospitalizing someone who really just needs a few hours away from the street to calm down is expensive and takes acute psychiatric beds from others in greater need, and;

Whereas, Wellness Mobile vehicles with appropriate and adequate staffing can deliver crisis de-escalation, mental health services and substance abuse referrals to neighborhoods which would otherwise be unable to access such services, and;

Whereas, many youth are impacted by neighborhood boundaries due to threats, and cannot access services, and:

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mental Health Board of San Francisco urges the Department of Public Health to allocate funds for five 24 hour, 7 days a week Wellness Mobile vehicles with appropriate and adequate staffing in FY 2017 -2018.

1.1 Public comment

2.0 NEXT STEPS

2.1 Discussion
2.2 Public comment

3.0 REVIEW GOALS AND ASSIGNMENTS FROM 2-27-17 MEETING

2.1 Discuss committee goals and timeline.
2.2 Public comment

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