

Network

MISSION

The Kings County Wellness Bridge is a community collaborative bridge to wellness for people with behavioral health issues who are homeless, or at risk of homelessness.



VISION

Creating connections for holistic community wellness.



VALUES

- Integrity
- Respect
- Empowerment
- Empathy
- Diversity
- Compassion
- Innovation
- Acceptance
- Welcoming
- Person-centered



Objective 1: Develop a comprehensive and collaborative approach to address people with mental illness and/or substance abuse issues, and who are homeless or at risk of homelessness within Kings County.

- Develop and implement a standardized screening and triage process that can be utilized by the partnering agencies and service providers to identify needs of the target population and direct link them to services.
- Develop a multi-agency shared structure via MOUs in which to facilitate nonduplicated services and assistance to the target population.
- Implement and structure a multi-agency, multi-disciplinary team to meet on a routine basis to develop comprehensive care plans including plans for monitoring progress for individuals in the target population, as well as develop and utilize Quality Assurance mechanisms within the designed model.
- Establish utilization goals, system reduction rate goals, and benchmarks for sustained wellness within the target population.



Objective 2: To have a common means to document the target population interactions and services.

- Develop a shared data system that can be utilized by all partnering agencies and service providers, and to standardize procedures for documenting all interventions with the target population within the shared system.
- Implement a process for monitoring utilization rates to assess impact on target population within the shared data system, as well as utilizing the developed QA process for QI purposes.



Objective 3: Develop sustainability plan for the program.

- Develop finance structure and requirement plan.
- Seek fiscal backing from included partners.
- Identify alternative funding opportunities, i.e., grants, new partnerships.



Objective 4: Evaluation

 Develop and utilize an evaluation process to determine overall program efficacy with regard to identified goals and objectives, benchmarks, utilization and attrition rates, and statistical differences between system burden among ED/ER, crisis, and police contact/ jail.



COMMUNITY INTERVENTION

- New innovative programming to bring additional resources into the community
 - Examples: Community Paramedics; Interagency case management and triage
- Fill gaps in foundational services
 - Examples: expand soup kitchens and food pantries throughout Kings County; increase number of homeless shelters and beds throughout Kings County

