## Mobile Crisis and Stand-Along Crisis Services Assistance, Maryland Department of Health

\$15 Million (M00L01.02)

Recovery for the Economy, Livelihoods, Industries, Entrepreneurs, and Families (RELIEF) Act provides support to providers who are essential to behavioral health provider networks to have the support, resources and opportunity to be sustained through the global pandemic and continue the vital work of assisting those individuals who are in need during this time.

## **Purpose: Recovery Now Funding**

"Community Services, Maryland Department of Health, shall provide \$15 million in grants for mobile crisis and stand-alone walk-in crisis services for the treatment of community mental health and substance use disorders."

The purpose of this funding is to provide relief support to providers who have incurred financial hardship as a result of COVID-19 and health restrictions. The impact has placed many of these critical providers in financial jeopardy and caused them to be at risk of closing or restricting the services they can provide.

## **Program Highlights and Plans to Allocate Remaining Balance:**

- The Maryland Department of Health will develop a request for proposal (RFP) to have the providers identify the areas of necessity.
- A stakeholder meeting will be scheduled at a date to soon be determined for providers to be notified of funding opportunities and seek guidance around the application process.
- Application announcement and deadlines to soon be determined.

## **Programmatic and/or Implementation Issues:**

- Allocation of awards will be allocated based on review of identified needs and justification.
- Allocation will be based on needs and review of loss revenue to due COVID-related expenses.
- Awards will be determined to provide fiscal release based on loss and not for expansion of services as this time.

Source: Department of Health, Department of Budget and Management