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Esperanza Lucero
Behavioral Health Investment and Reform Administrator
Administrative Office of the Courts
202 E. Marcy St.
Santa Fe, NM. 87501

RE: BHRIA Funding Opportunity Letter of Commitment

Dear Ms. Lucero,

The Board of Curry County Commission would like to declare our commitment and interest to be the 'Accountable Entity' for the 9th Judicial District to submit an application for the Behavioral Health Regional Infrastructure Act funding opportunity.

Our organization remains committed to improving the overall health and well-being of our residents, including continued participation and collaboration with the regional consortium established in 2021 to coordinate a comprehensive behavioral health response in southeastern New Mexico. This consortium has shown success through funding and infrastructure development, breaking ground on the regional 14-day Crisis Triage Center (CTC) in August 2025.

To ensure alignment with the Sequential Intercept Model (SIM), the County will work with Roosevelt County and the Cities of Clovis and Portales to develop a customized local map and action plan to address any identified gaps in our behavioral health systems. This will ensure that individuals already involved in the justice system receive the support and treatment necessary for their success. This plan will also address pre-justice involved individuals and ensure they are properly diverted to treatment rather than incarceration. Through this approach, the consortium has built a strong foundation for sustainable system improvements that promote recovery, reduce recidivism, and enhance overall community well-being.

This funding will enhance regional capacity to address service deficiencies within the behavioral health continuum of care. Resources will be directed toward evidence-based interventions and service delivery models strengthening prevention, treatment, and recovery supports. This will aid our team in continuing to advance sustainable and effective strategies that align with state and federal priorities while remaining responsive to the specific demographic and geographic needs of southeastern New Mexico.

The Board of Curry County Commissioners and Curry County Health Council have approved \$6,000 as a cash contribution to this project. Working in collaboration with Roosevelt County, they will provide their letter of commitment and evidence of an additional \$6,000 following their October Commission Meeting. These funds will total the 25% required match per the funding guidelines.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact County Manager Lance Pyle or Community Services Administrator Kristian Price at 575.763.6016.

Sincerely,



Brad Bender, Chairman



Fidel Madrid, Commissioner



Kyle Cain, Commissioner



Dusty Leatherwood, Vice Chairman



Seth Martin, Commissioner

Cc: County Manager Pyle
Chief District Judge Donna Mower