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A non-profit tax-exempt organization representing New York City's community-based mental health sector.

Funding Proposals for New York City Council

1. Restore Mayor's P.E.G.'s

- **Managed Care and Technical Assistance (\$100,000)**
This was a grant from the City Council to The Coalition of Voluntary Mental Health Agencies' Professional Learning Center to provide up-to-date technical assistance and training for community providers in order to help them cope with rapid change and innovations in the care delivery world.
- **Case Management Services (\$750, 000).**
A Council funded case management program (\$500,000) and a forensic services program in the Bronx (\$250,000).
- **Family Support Services (\$100,000).**
Defunds five essential parent resource centers established by the City Council.
- **Alcoholism and Substance Abuse (\$1.75 million).**
Defunds City Council projects that include alcohol prevention education (\$1 M), teen alcohol prevention (\$500,000) and funding for La Bodega, an alcohol treatment facility.

2. Fund Targeted New Programs

- **Domestic Violence Outreach, Coordination, Linkage, Training and Evaluation.(\$ 1.4 million)**
Replicate a Bronx model DMH program in each of the other four boroughs. Would provide culturally and community sensitive services that will 1) raise public awareness of domestic violence and of resources for victims, 2) work closely with police who respond to incidents of domestic violence, 3) train mental health providers to link with other resources in the borough, 4) link victims to this network of resources and providers, 5) develop best practices models through an evaluation process.

- **Mental Health Treatment Services for HIV+ Minority Gay Males. (\$1.25 million)**
Services are desperately needed for this population, the group with the highest and fastest growing number of new infections in New York City. The proposal would envision an integrated model of health and behavioral health services with mental health providers serving as lead agency in each borough. The services would include case management services that would help insure that treatment plans are implemented and service delivery is coordinated.
- **2.5% Cost of Living on NYC Tax Levy Dollars and Agency contribution (\$ 400,000)**
This would bring the City in line with proposals by the Governor and the legislature to provide sorely needed cost of living increases to address very high staff turnovers.