

## ASSEMBLY BILL (AB) 74 COUNTY WELFARE DEPARTMENT FAMILY STABILIZATION (FS) PLAN

COUNTY WELFARE DEPARTMENT (CWD):

Trinity County

DATE:

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Please describe how your CWD plans to utilize funds allocated for the FS Program and include responses to the following nine categories. There is an additional text box to enter other information about your FS program if needed. The text boxes will accept up to 1,000 characters of text. If more space is needed you may also submit attachments to accommodate the additional information. You may also attach any materials that address each of the areas below if the materials can be converted to a pdf format for posting to the CDSS website (i.e. not scanned copies).

Please indicate the date your CWD will begin offering an FS program:

Trinity County will begin offering family stabilization on July 1, 2014.

What types of services will be provided under the FS program?

- Homelessness
- Mental Health
- Substance Abuse
- Domestic Violence
- Other, please list Families sanctioned more than three consecutive months in a twelve month period.

How will clients be informed of the FS program?

Family Stabilization will be presented to clients at orientation and appraisal appointments. Home visits will be conducted to reach out to the families who are not being seen in the traditional office setting.

How will clients be able to request participation in the FS program?

Clients will be able to request family stabilization services in any forum, at appointments, in orientation or during home visits.

How will the county determine which clients will be selected for the FS program?

Trinity County will screen all cases individually for eligibility to the family stabilization program.

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How will the county notify the clients that are participating in the FS program?

Trinity County will notice all families to their eligibility for the family stabilization program using notice of action 290.

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How often will county staff contact FS families?

Trinity County will have the expectation that families participating in the family stabilization program will be contacted at a minimum weekly and for families in crisis the expectation will be daily contact.

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How will FS Intensive Case Management differ from general Case Management?

Trinity County will be adding an additional Employment and Training Worker to assist case loads being dropped to allow for additional time to assist clients with scheduling appointments, arranging child care and transportation. If necessary case managers will accompany clients to appointments to ensure they are successful in the initial engagement with contracted external providers.

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What types of partnerships will you develop for your FS Program? (i.e. Community based organizations, non-profits, etc.)

Trinity County will work to strengthen relationships with external partners who provide mental health and substance abuse services, domestic violence counseling and prevention, individual and group counseling. All community based organizations and non profits have been identified to provide services to the family stabilization families.

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What strategies will you use to link clients with these providers?

Employment Training Workers will have direct contact with service providers to assist in linking services as well as monitoring weekly progress.

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What strategies does your CWD have to transition clients to WTW?

Trinity County will conduct a transition meeting with the family and the on-going case manager to ensure a seamless transition from the family stabilization program back to welfare to work. The appropriate activities and supportive services will be discussed and the on going WTW plan will be written and explained at the transition appointment.

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How does the FS program compliment or enhance your current services?

Trinity County's family stabilization plan will intensify services and allow case managers to have reduced case loads to have more time to spend with the individual families offering one on one services we haven't been able to provide in the past.

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Please include any other components of your FS program not covered above:

Trinity County's family stabilization plan will also include families who have been sanctioned and unable to become self-sufficient do to the common barriers including but not limited to homeless, mental health, substance abuse, domestic violence and limited life skills.

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Please fill out this form electronically and submit to [FSProgram@dss.ca.gov](mailto:FSProgram@dss.ca.gov)

Note: CWDs must submit their plans no later than 30 days after implementation of their FS Programs. CDSS may request subsequent submittals of AB 74 FS Plans from CWDs depending on the needs of the program.

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