

RHIP and COVID-19 MINI-GRANT PROJECT SUMMARIES

COVID-19 Final Report for New Priorities Family Services (Non-RHIP) “Client Scholarships and COVID-19”

Reviewed by the Behavioral Health and Substance & Alcohol Misuse Workgroups

Summary of Results:

- The project involved providing services for those without the funds to pay for services or to pay for limited services.
- Others have medical insurance but very high deductibles and wouldn't be able to pay for the services.
- Some clients had high co-pays with their insurance prohibiting them to complete a treatment program. We have been able to offer these clients treatment.
- As part of the treatment, the scholarships allowed for the collecting of urinary analysis (UA) fees.
- Many did not have access computers or Wi-Fi.
- We provided clients with Narcan kits in case of overdose.
- Mentors were able to connect with clients, helping with housing, community resources.
- Groups are more successful now face to face in our office.
- Our DUII and substance abuse clients are seeing more success in completing treatment.
- Clients are returning & more are engaged in treatment.
- We currently see most of our clients face to face with UAs which provides clients more accountability.
- We have offered scholarships and are back to offering in office groups, counseling, mentoring activities.
- We have provided scholarships to over 25 clients that would not have been able to receive treatment without the funds.
- We will continue to use funds to help clients receive treatment.
- We were able to provide incentives and paid for a DMV ID card for one client and helped him apply for services for food, housing, and job preparation.

Quote:

“We were unable to replace our recovery mentors due to funds and the COVID restrictions. Thankfully, we received some short term funds to rehire male/female recovery mentors/peers.”