

**CHARLES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
LOCAL BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AUTHORITY**

**REQUEST FOR CLIENT SUPPORT**

Date of Request: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Client's Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
SSN: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
DOB: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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2. Is the client in the Public Mental Health System? No\_\_\_ Yes\_\_\_  
What type of insurance does the client have? \_\_\_\_\_  
DSM-V Diagnosis: \_\_\_\_\_  
Has client requested support from the Local Behavioral Health Authority in the past?  
No\_\_\_ Yes\_\_\_  
If yes, please provide date: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Household Income (List sources and amounts): \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

4. Benefits Received (TCA, SSI, Food Stamps, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

5. Number of children & adults living in the home: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

6. Indicate any Housing Programs client has received or applied for (Continuum of Care,  
Section 8, Rental Assistance) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

7. Has client applied for/received assistance from MEAP? No \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_  
Date Applied: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

8. If this is an educational expense, verify that this is part of their Service Plan and DORS  
funding is not available: \_\_\_\_\_

9. At least three other resources (This should include community, public, private, and  
family resources) must be contacted before applying to the LBHA for assistance. Please  
indicate what sources have been contacted and the outcome below:

Source: _____	Date: _____	Outcome: _____
_____	_____	_____
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10. Describe the goods or services the client needs assistance with.

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11. What caused them to be in this emergency situation?

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12. Explain how the expenditure will assist the client in meeting his/her individual mental health treatment or rehabilitation goals.

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13. Provide a specific plan indicating how the client intends on making payments in the future and prevent future need for emergency assistance.

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14. \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Total Cost of Goods/Services  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Amount to be paid by client. (If zero, requester certifies client cannot afford payment)  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Amount to be paid by sources other than LBHA

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**Amount requested from Local Behavioral Health Authority.**

15. Attach an itemized quote or invoice that verifies/explains the cost for the goods/services.

**Please Note: All requests are processed at the LBHA and then sent through the State of Maryland system. Payment will be received within 6 weeks. The LBHA can make pledges on behalf of the client until payment is received. Please keep this time frame in mind when applying for assistance.**

**16. Vendor Information:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

17. Provider Agency Completing Form: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_  
Tele: \_\_\_\_\_  
Fax: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

*By signing this form you are constituting a referral for assistance on behalf of your client and acknowledge our office may call you to obtain further information in order to process the request.*

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**AMOUNT APPROVED**

**REQUEST DENIED**

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_  
LBHA Staff

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
LBHA Director or Assistant Director

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BHA Director of Adult Services or  
BHA Director of Child & Adolescent Services  
(if over \$1,000)

LBHA Notes:

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**Directions for completing the form:**

- 1. Eligible costs include:**
  - a. Security deposit, first month's rent,**
  - b. utility turn on or deposit,**
  - c. basic household goods to establish residence,**
  - d. past due utility, rent or mortgage when payment enables consumer to remain in the community placement and a plan for continuing payment by consumer is feasible,**
  - e. educational expenses only in concert with an approved Supported Employment or Individual Rehabilitation Plan when the item is not otherwise eligible for coverage by DORS or related program.**
- 2. The Local Behavioral Health Authority is payer of last resort. This means all other resources must be explored and exhausted before the LBHA will make a payment or pledge.**
- 3. Assistance is limited to \$1,000 per consumer per fiscal year.**
- 4. Assistance is limited to active consumers in the Public Mental Health System and receiving services from a PMHS provider.**
- 5. Assistance cannot be used to pay for dental care.**
- 6. Availability of funds is determined by the Behavioral Health Administration. This assistance is only available for the duration that the funding is available.**
- 7. All information requested above the dotted line must be completed by the Mental Health Provider, and include a signature by the provider completing the form and who can be contacted by the LBHA regarding the application.**
- 8. Items 10-13 must be answered thoroughly. Please explain to the LBHA why the assistance is needed, why the consumer is not able to manage the need independently or with other resources and how the consumer is going to ensure that this need does not arise in the future.**
- 9. Item 15: examples of itemized quotes or invoices include copy of bill or eviction notice, letter from landlord regarding past due rent, itemized quote for goods, etc.**