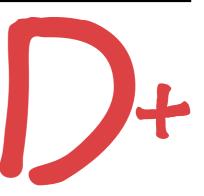
County of Santa Clara Dangerously Unprepared

Santa Clara has a good range of treatment programs in place. However, the County Board failed to adequately fund an increase in treatment services to meet Prop. 36 clients' needs. According to the implementation plan, addiction specialists and public health officials will not be adequately involved in assessing treatment needs.







A good range of treatment programs is offered in Santa Clara, including mental health and perinatal services. However, the treatment services mentioned in the implementation plan are not reflected in the budget, raising questions about how these programs will be funded.

Santa Clara appropriated only 70% of its Prop. 36 budget to treatment-related

costs. In addition, out of the entire FY 01/02 Budget 34% was designated for

Prop. 36 Money Given to County to Date: \$6.7 million
County's FY 01/02 Prop. 36 Budget: \$6.7 million

administrative costs and not direct services.





monitor their treatment progress. Santa Clara's plan did not mention any community forums or input from affected communities as part of their planning process. The implementation task force was heavily weighted with criminal justice professionals.

Santa Clara did not designate a public health agency as its lead agency, and public health workers will have minimal involvement with clients. Monitoring, assessments and update meetings all take place at the courthouse, instead of at public health facilities. Urinalysis is used to threaten clients, rather than to

Extra Credit -DA Accountability No District Attorney charging guidelines were submitted when requested by The Lindesmith Center – Drug Policy Foundation.

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