

Workforce Development Education and Training Unit
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ANNOUNCEMENT
Alameda County Loan Repayment Program

The California Mental Health Service Authority (CalMHSA) is pleased to announce that the Fiscal Year (FY) 2021/2022 Alameda County Loan Repayment Program (ACLRP) Cycle will open on July 1st. We encourage all potential applicants to go to calmhsa.org/grants/ to complete their application.

Alameda County award recipients may receive up to \$10,000 towards the repayment of educational loans.

Program overview and requirements:

- ACLRP is Alameda County's Workforce Education and Training (WET) Program managed by the California Mental Health Services Authority, which reviews eligible applications and generates agreements with the awardees.
 - For information and resources on how to apply, please visit calmhsa.org/grants/
- Applications for the 2021 cycle will open on July 1st, 2021, at: calmhsa.org/grants/
- Applications must be submitted via the online application system, Bonfire, by August 31. Applications submitted after **August 31st, 2021 (5:00 PM PST) will not be accepted.**
- This program requires that eligible ACBH applicants:
 1. Work in a "hard-to-fill" position as defined by ACBH. Please refer to the Alameda County "hard to fill/retain" criteria established by ACBH to meet our critical workforce needs, and
 2. Work in ACBH County-operated mental health settings or in a contracted, community-based mental health agency or substance use disorder treatment agency.
- Awardees are required to work for 12 months (one year) in a hard-to-fill or hard-to-retain position in Alameda County's Public Mental Health System before the funds will be applied to loans.

If you have any questions on the application process and requirements, contact the CalMHSA directly at aclrp@calmhsa.org.

For questions on ACBH eligible contracted, community-based mental health agencies and/or the "hard to fill/retain" eligibility criteria, contact Sanjida Mazid, ACBHCS Workforce Development Education and Training Manager, at sanjida.mazid@acgov.org or by phone at 510-567-8071.

