



# County of Santa Cruz



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### Press Release

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### **SANTA CRUZ COUNTY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH INVITES PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE 2026-2029 BEHAVIORAL HEALTH 3 YEAR INTEGRATED PLAN**

The Health Services Agency's Behavioral Health Division invites Santa Cruz County residents to review the new 3-year Integrated Plan and provide their valuable feedback. **The Public Comment Period will be open from March 18 to April 16, 2026.** The updated plan outlines Behavioral Health's proposed priorities, strategies, and investments under the Behavioral Health Services Act (BHSA).

#### **HOW TO PARTICIPATE:**

##### **1) Review the plan**

- Visit [santacruzhealth.org/BHSA](https://santacruzhealth.org/BHSA) to review the Behavioral Health Integrated Plan

##### **2) Submit your feedback**

- In person at the Behavioral Health Advisory Board public hearing
  - April 16, 2026 at 3pm | 1400 Emeline Ave. Room 206, Santa Cruz, CA 95060
- Call 831-713-8285 and leave a voicemail
- Email your feedback to [MentalHealth.ServicesAct@santacruzcountyca.gov](mailto:MentalHealth.ServicesAct@santacruzcountyca.gov)
- Visit [santacruzhealth.org/BHSA](https://santacruzhealth.org/BHSA) to submit your comment through an online form
- Mail to:

Santa Cruz County Behavioral Health  
Attention: Amy Rhoades  
1400 Emeline Ave., Santa Cruz, CA 95060

"Community input is critical to ensuring our Behavioral Health Integrated Plan reflects the real needs of our community," said Dr. Marni R. Sandoval, Behavioral Health Director. "We strongly encourage feedback from all residents, especially individuals with lived experience and their families, to help guide how BHSA-funded services and supports are designed and delivered."

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