

Department of State Hospitals Report on the Patient Benefit Fund

Fiscal Year 2023-2024

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE HOSPITALS REPORT

Executive Summary Fiscal Year 2023-2024

This report is prepared in accordance with the Welfare and Institutions Code Section 4125(d). The purpose of the Patient Benefit Fund is to ensure proper usage of funds for education or entertainment of the patients. The spreadsheet included in this report reflects expenditures on patient activities at the state hospitals. The report contains five major categories for patient expenditures: Patient Activities, Arts and Crafts, Entertainment, Holiday Activities and Patient Library and Newspapers. This report is prepared annually and is submitted to the California State Legislature to summarize these patient expenditures.

The amount of the Patient Benefit Fund varies by hospital due to the various types and frequency of fundraising activities that occur at each of the state hospitals. Additionally, hospitals receive private donations from patients' families and members of the community. The hospital meets with the patients on a regular basis to determine and facilitate their requests for the expenditures for the various activities supported by the Patient Benefit Fund.

Below is a chart showing the total Patient Benefit Fund expenses for each state hospital.

DSH-Atascadero	DSH-Coalinga	DSH-Metropolitan	DSH-Napa	DSH-Patton	TOTAL
\$43,344	\$12,171	\$2,633	\$42,656	\$100,627	\$201,431

Fiscal Year 2023-2024 PATIENT BENEFIT FUNDS EXPENDITURES PER HOSPITAL

	ATASCADERO	COALINGA	METROPOLITAN	NAPA	PATTON
Use of Funds					
Patient Activities: Educational programs, patient store purchases, social events and parties including refreshments; supplies and prizes, sports events, hobbies, donations to charity, vocational training and materials, patient council support and supplies, equipment for personal and recreational use, etc.	\$25,340	\$7,307	\$1,000	\$30,784	\$48,001
Arts and Crafts: General craft supplies, clay, leather and ceramic supplies, craft kits, refreshments, art and craft publications, etc.	\$0	\$4,005	\$325	\$3,303	\$182
Entertainment: Live entertainment, equipment, music center, movies, etc.	\$7,308	\$859	(\$399)1	\$300	\$17,637
Holiday Activities: Refreshments, grocery purchase, patient store purchases, dinners, breakfast, social events, gifts, holiday postage, etc.	\$5,952	\$0	\$1,707	\$8,269	\$21,140
<u>Patient Library and Newspapers:</u> Newspapers, magazines, books, publications, periodicals, etc.	\$4,744	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$13,667
Total Expenses	\$43,344	\$12,171	\$2,633	\$42,656	\$100,627

Total Expenditures \$201,431

Footnote:

^{1.} Line-item reflects a credit due to a refund issued from a FY 2022-23 expenditure that was applied in FY 2023-24