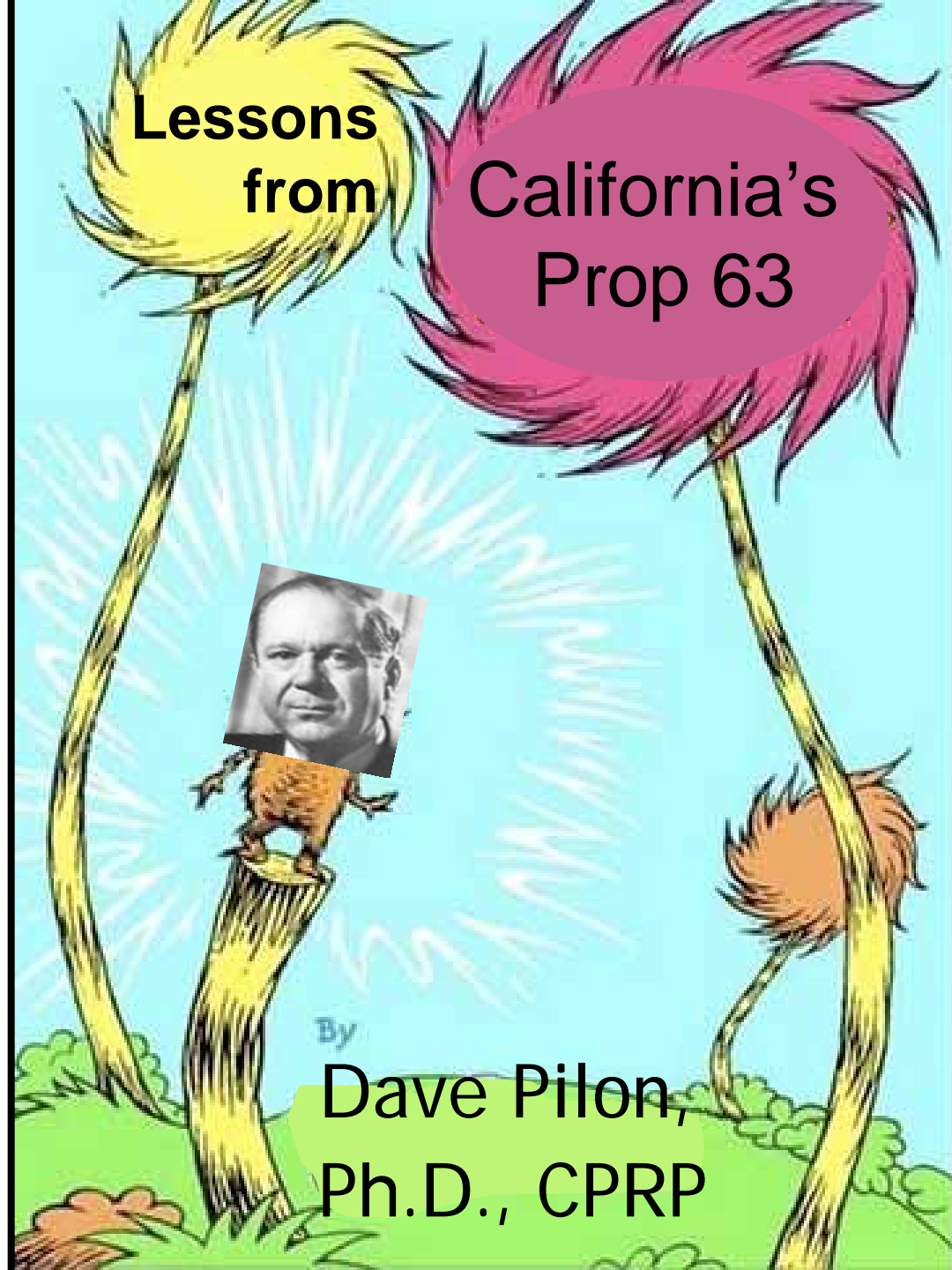


**Don't Tax
Me,
Don't Tax
Thee,
Tax That
Man Behind
the Tree!**



**Lessons
from**

**California's
Prop 63**

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"I LOVE TO BATH CATS IN A TUB," LAUGHED THE CAT.

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Today's Presentation:

- » Fundamentals of Prop. 63
- » Successes and challenges with the implementation of California's Mental Health Services Act
- » Applicability of MHSA lessons to the healthcare reform debate in general and client-directed care specifically



Proposition 63: Basic Facts

- ✓ Voter initiative
- ✓ Passed with 54% of the vote
- ✓ Imposed a 1% surcharge on taxable income in excess of one million dollars
- ✓ Created a dedicated funding stream for mental health services of between \$1 billion and \$1.5 billion dollars per year

Your Appointed Task:

Gather Signatures at Lord of the Rings Movie Lines

(starting 5pm Tuesday and ending 9 am Thursday)

and become the LORD OF THE SIGNATURES



SARA KNOWS...

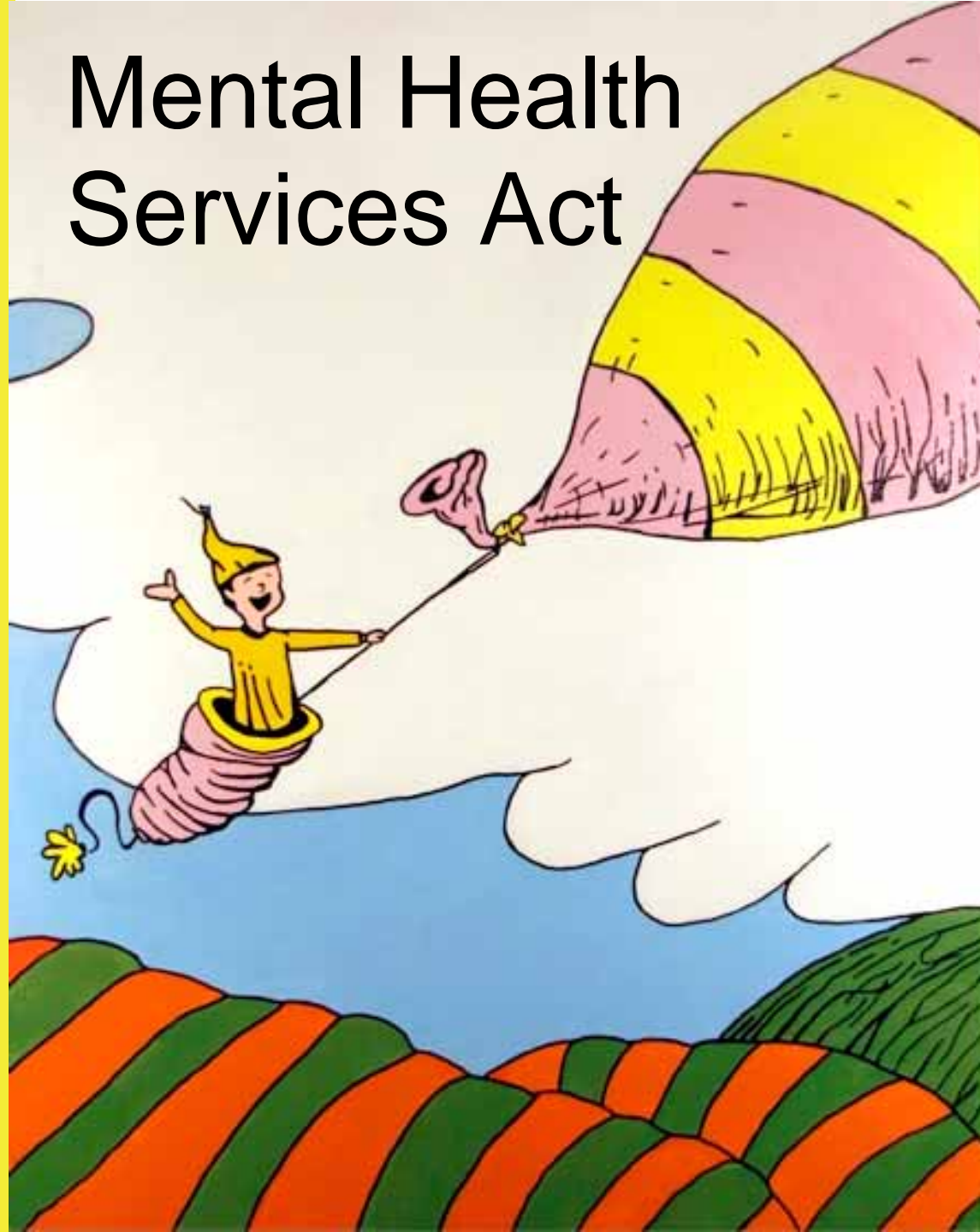


**MORE SIGNATURES
= MORE LOVE**

**Spend one hour.
get 20+ signatures
Improve the Mental
Health system.**

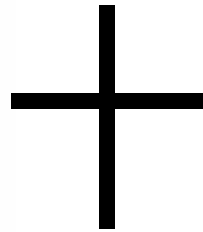
“Planning for services shall be consistent with the philosophy, principles, and practices of the Recovery Vision for mental health consumers...”

Mental Health Services Act



Mental Health Services Act Funding

Intended to supplement,
not replace, existing funding

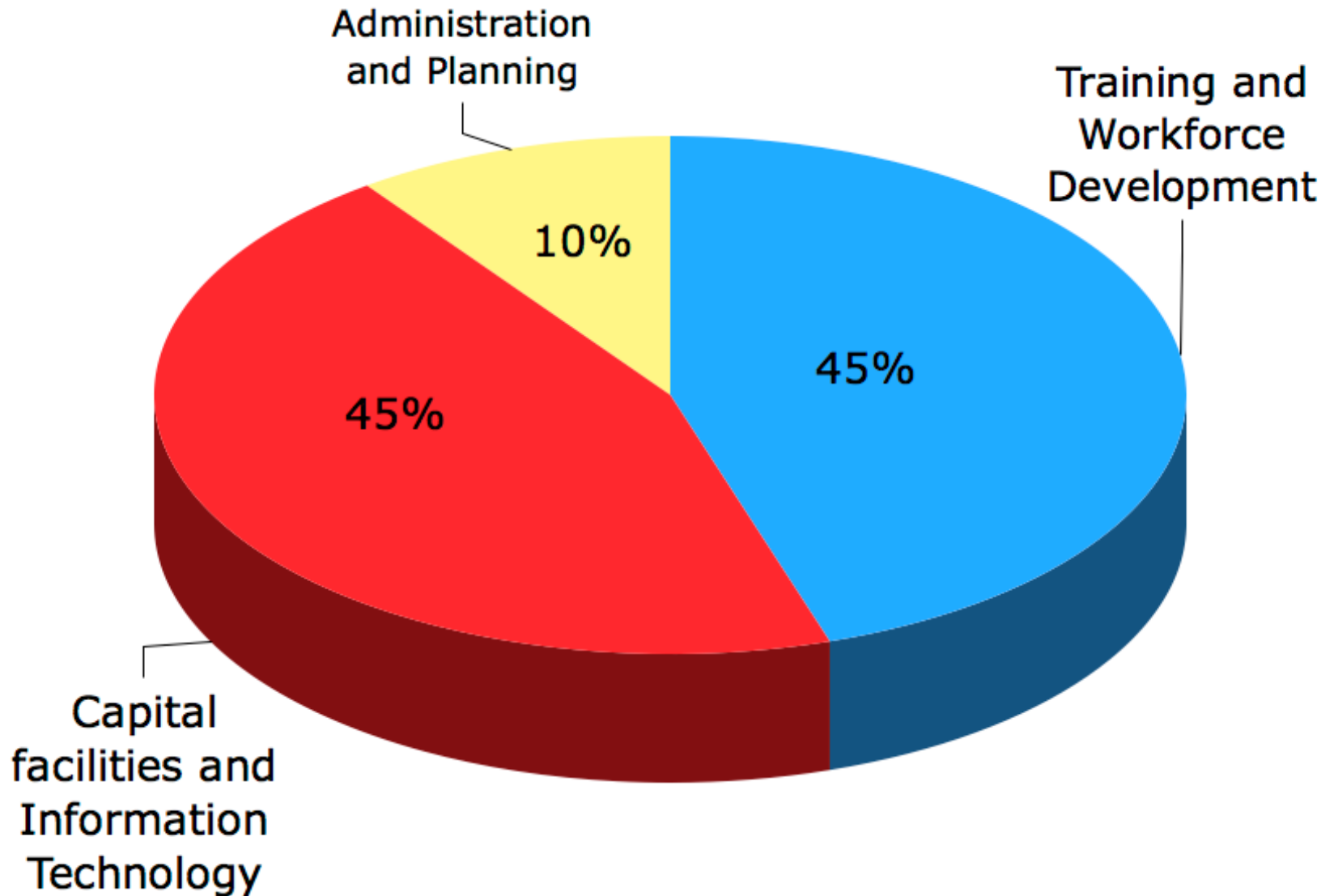


MHSA is 25% of the total State Mental Health Budget

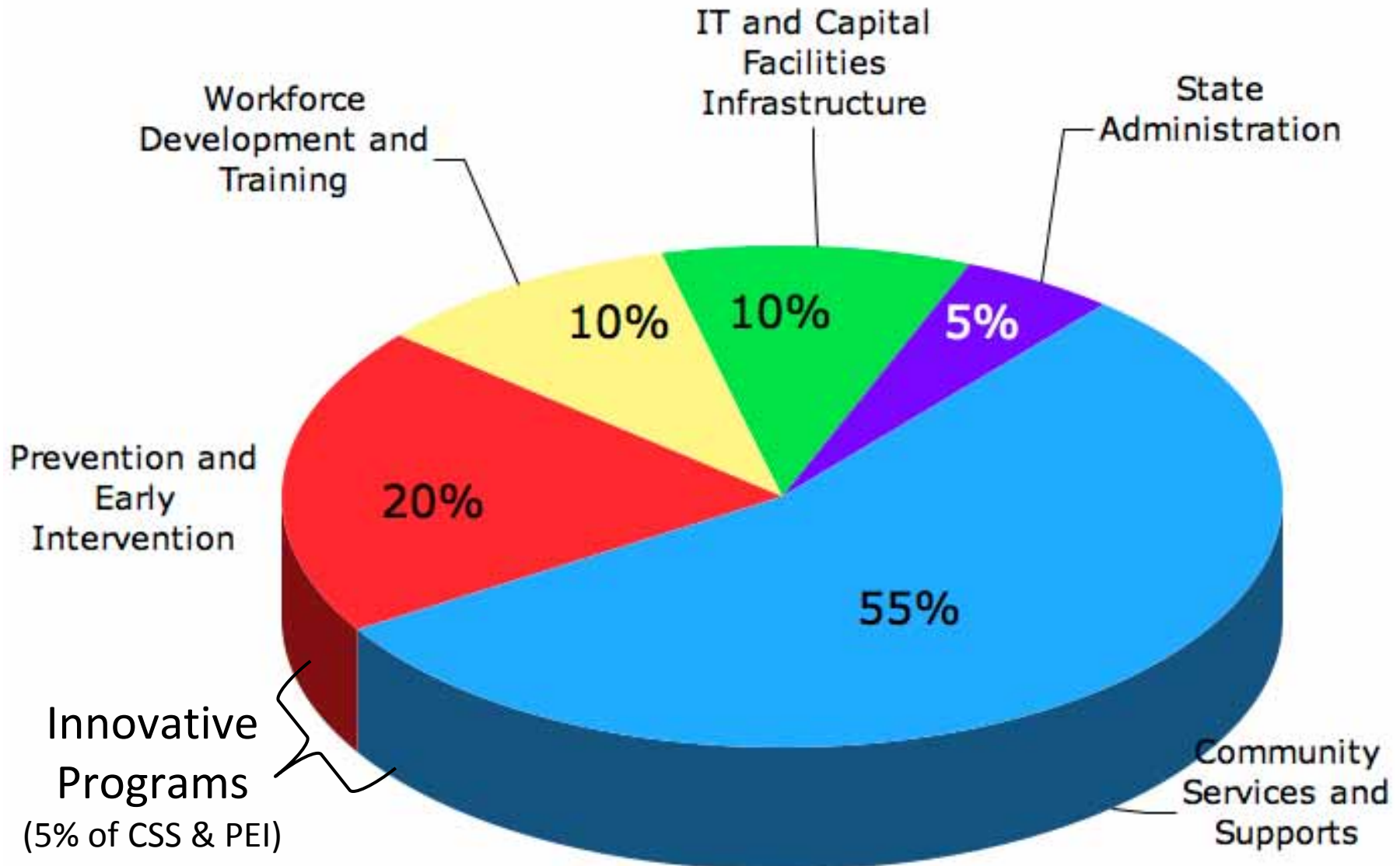
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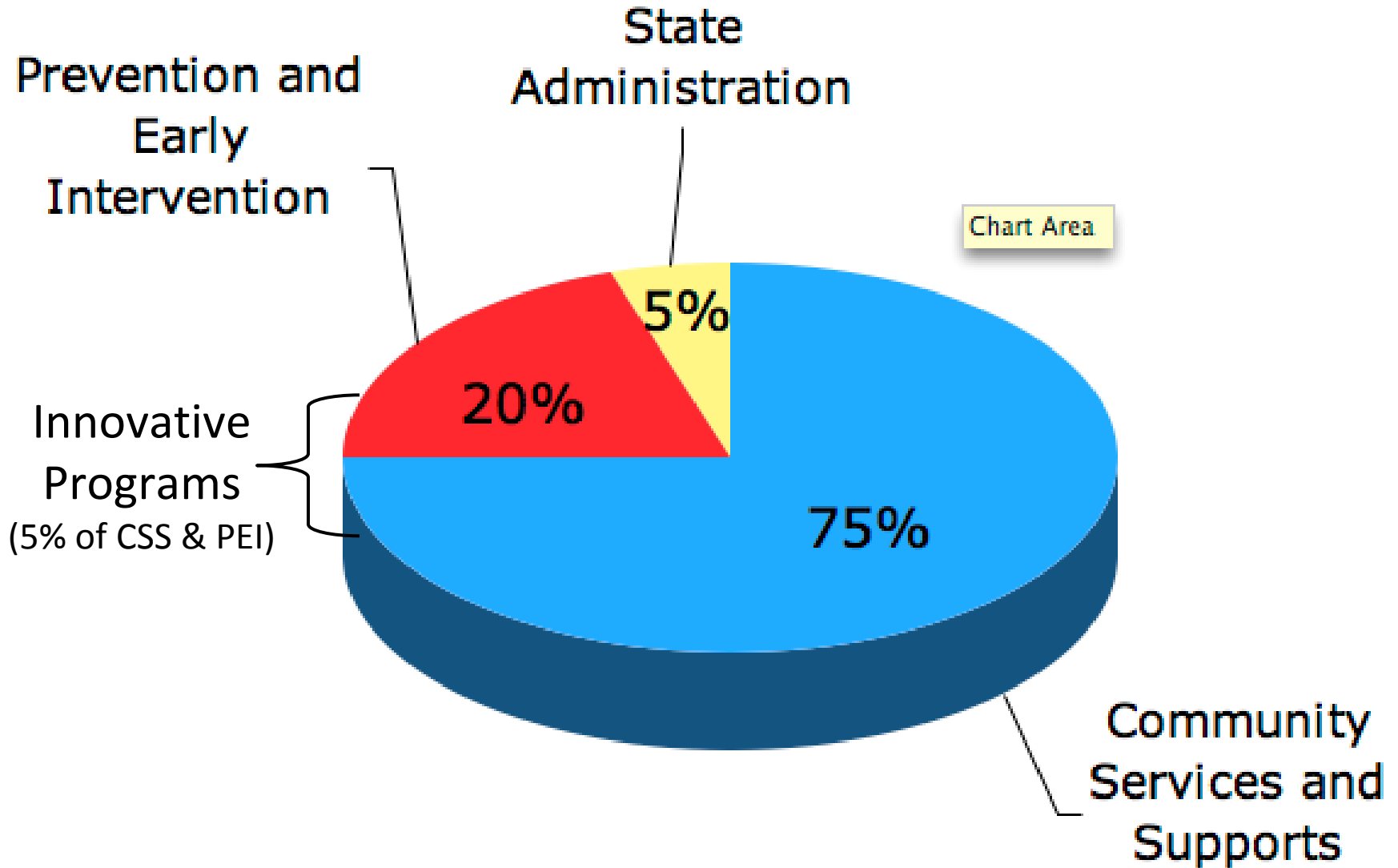
MHSA Funding Distribution Year 1



MHSA Funding Distribution Years 2 – 4

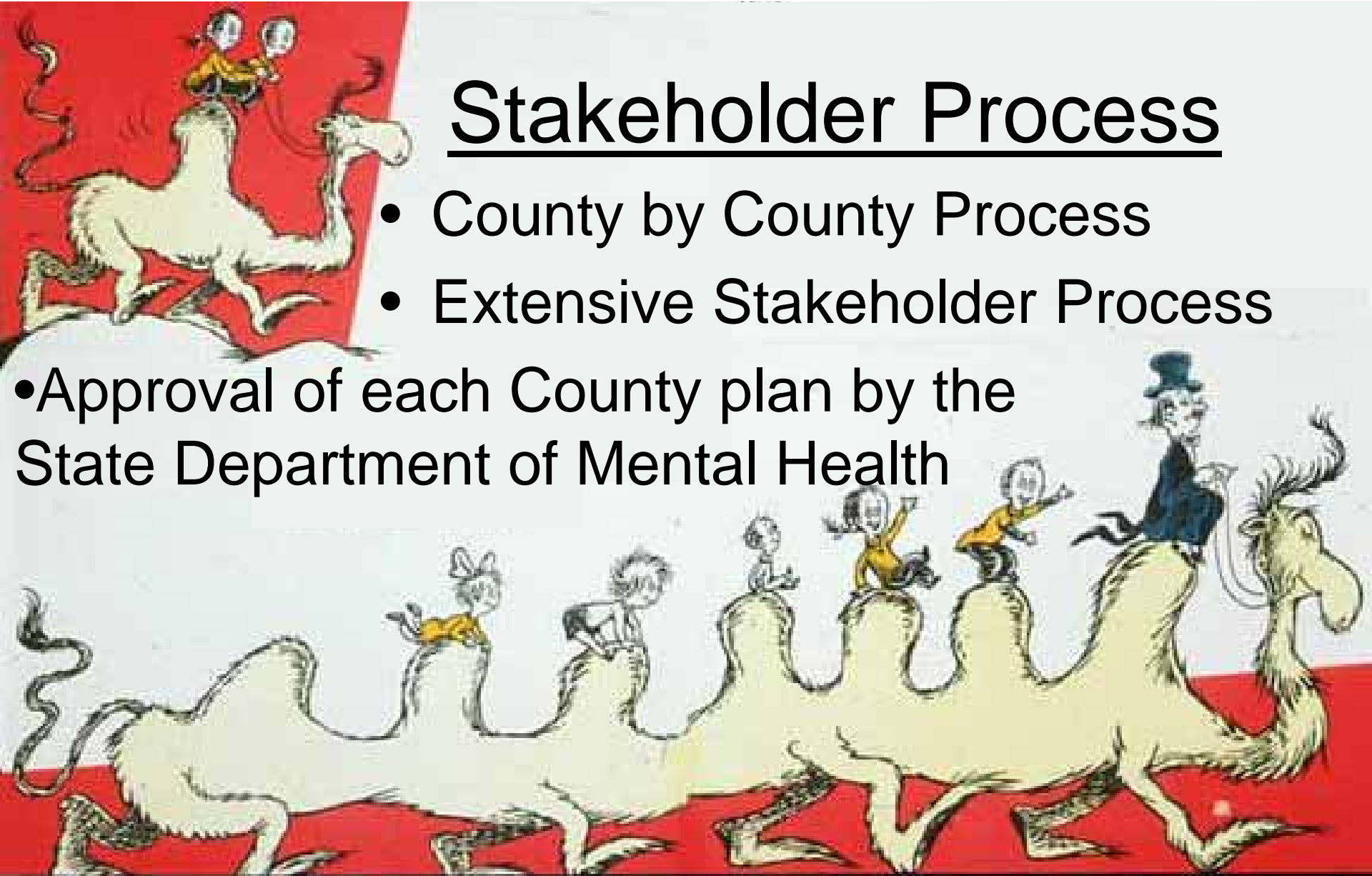


MHSA Funding Distribution Year 5 and Forward



Stakeholder Process

- County by County Process
- Extensive Stakeholder Process
- Approval of each County plan by the State Department of Mental Health



Full Service Partnerships (FSPs)



--Modeled after AB 34

--Intended to serve the highest impact clients

-- Intensive case management, supported housing, employment and education

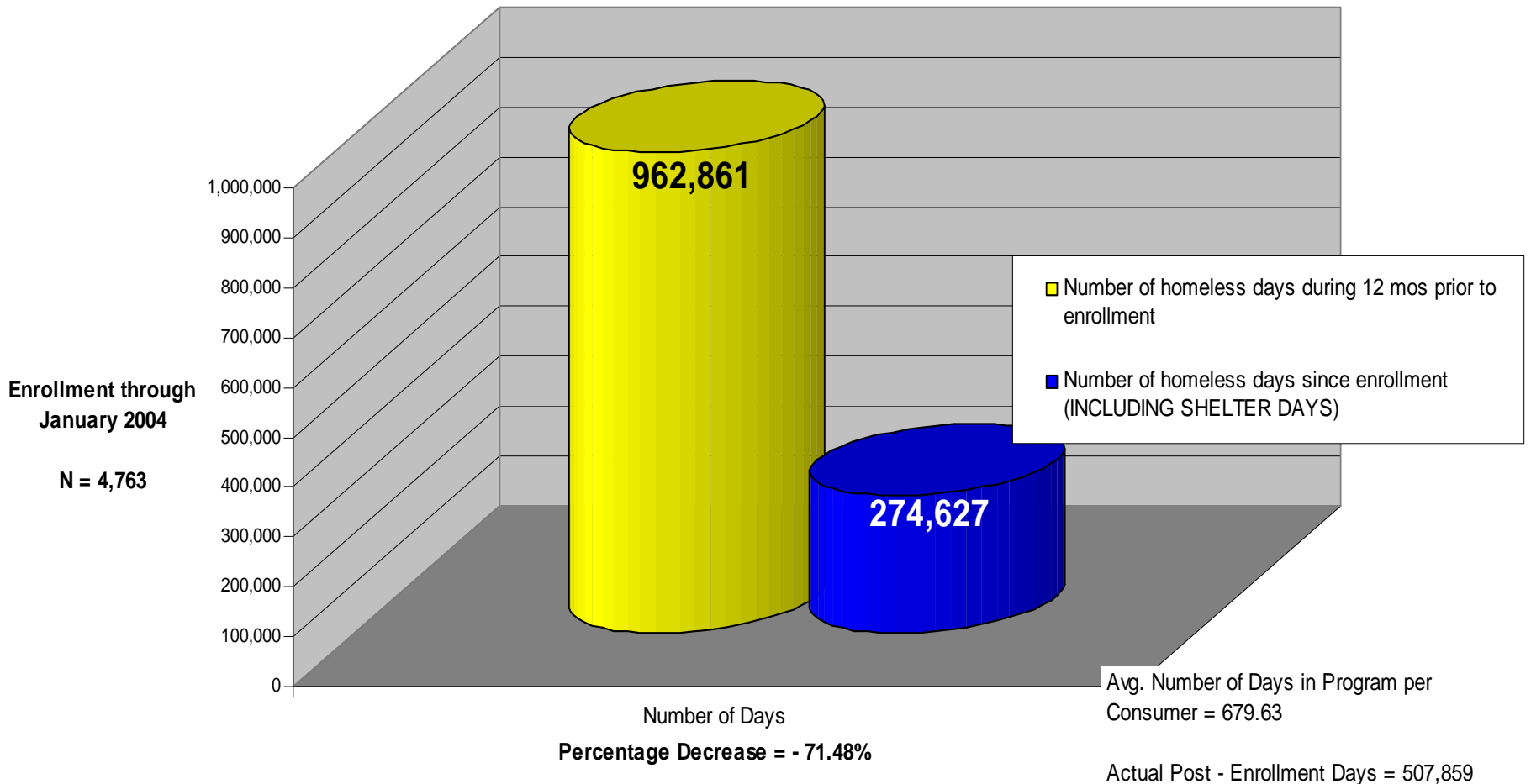
--“whatever it takes”

FSPs: Successes and Challenges



- 51% of CSS dollars required to go to FSPs
- 20,000 new high need clients served since the inception of the MHSA @ \$15k - \$22k per year
- The “two-tiered system”
- “Recovery stagnation”
- Lack of meaningful outcome data

Integrated Services for Homeless Adults (All Funded Programs) November 1, 1999 through January 31, 2004 Homelessness - Number of Homeless Days



Workforce Development

- Overall lack of trained mental health professionals and para-professionals



- Lack of people with lived experience of mental illness in both leadership and direct service positions

Workforce Development: Successes and Challenges



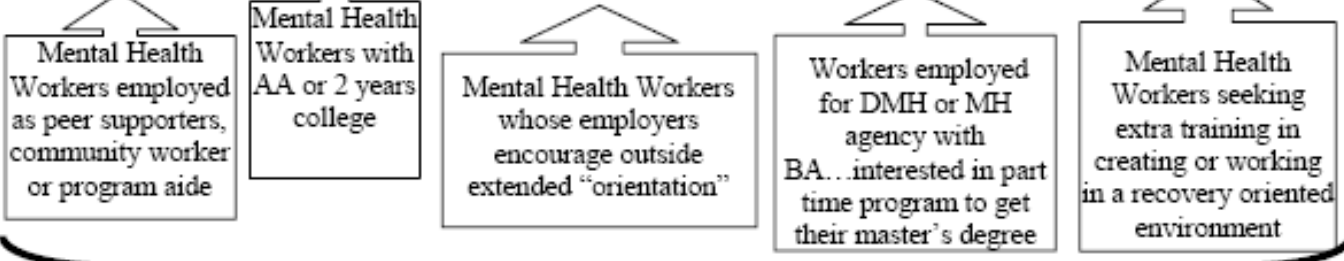
- Stipends and Loan Forgiveness
- Peer Supporter/Advocate training
- Training programs for unlicensed staff
- Inability of Counties to welcome former and current consumers as staff

Mental Health America of Los Angeles -- Mental Health Workforce Pipeline Project

Prospective Worker Entry Points

<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; font-size: small;"> Students from Huntington Park or Narbonne high schools Peer supporter training grads or HSA grads Peer supporter training grads, HSA grads or AA transfers Post BA students ...lead to getting CPRP Post BA students interested in getting masters' degrees </div>						
Degree, Certificate or training to be obtained →	High School Diploma	AA degree in conjunction with 18 unit Mental Health Worker certificate	BA with focus on Psychiatric Rehabilitation	Certificate → Mental Health Rehabilitation Specialist (to start or switch careers)	MSW or MFT classes and internships of MD residency focused on Recovery	X
Academic Institution Partner/ Type of Training →	Human Services Academy (HSA)	Community College	4 year University	Post Baccalaureate Training "Jump Start"	Graduate School	Peer Advocate Trainings, Immersions and Recovery Oriented Leadership Trainings
Trainers/ Instructors will be a combination of academicians and MHALA employees who are providers, family members and consumers.						
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**** At each Entry Point emphasis will be given to finding people with experience of the mental health system, family members, and people who are culturally and linguistically representative of underserved communities.**



Practicing Worker Entry Points

Prevention and Early Intervention



- \$300 million across the State
- \$100 million already distributed
- First time that there is adequate funding available for PEI
- Enormous difficulty in developing outcome measurement for PEI programs

Capital Facilities and IT Infrastructure

- \$450 million across the State
- \$125 million for Los Angeles County



- Capital Facilities: 35%
- IT Infrastructure: 65%

Funding Envy

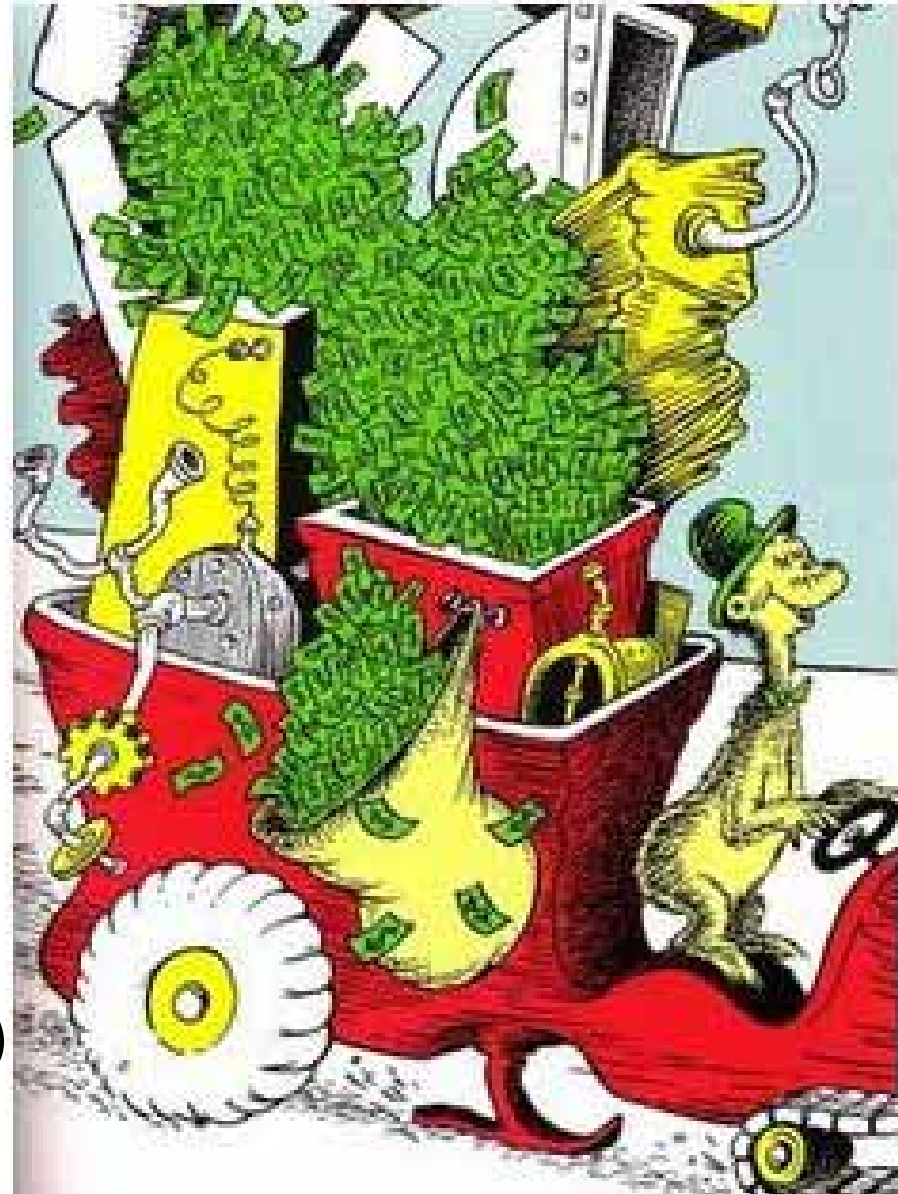


The Mental Health
Community

Other Human Services

The California Budget Crisis

- No state budget from July 1, 2008 through February 19, 2009
- State facing a \$42 billion deficit
- MHSA funds threatened
- 2.5 billion in unencumbered funds
(however, they WERE committed!!)



If you don't have a seat at the table,
you're probably on the menu...



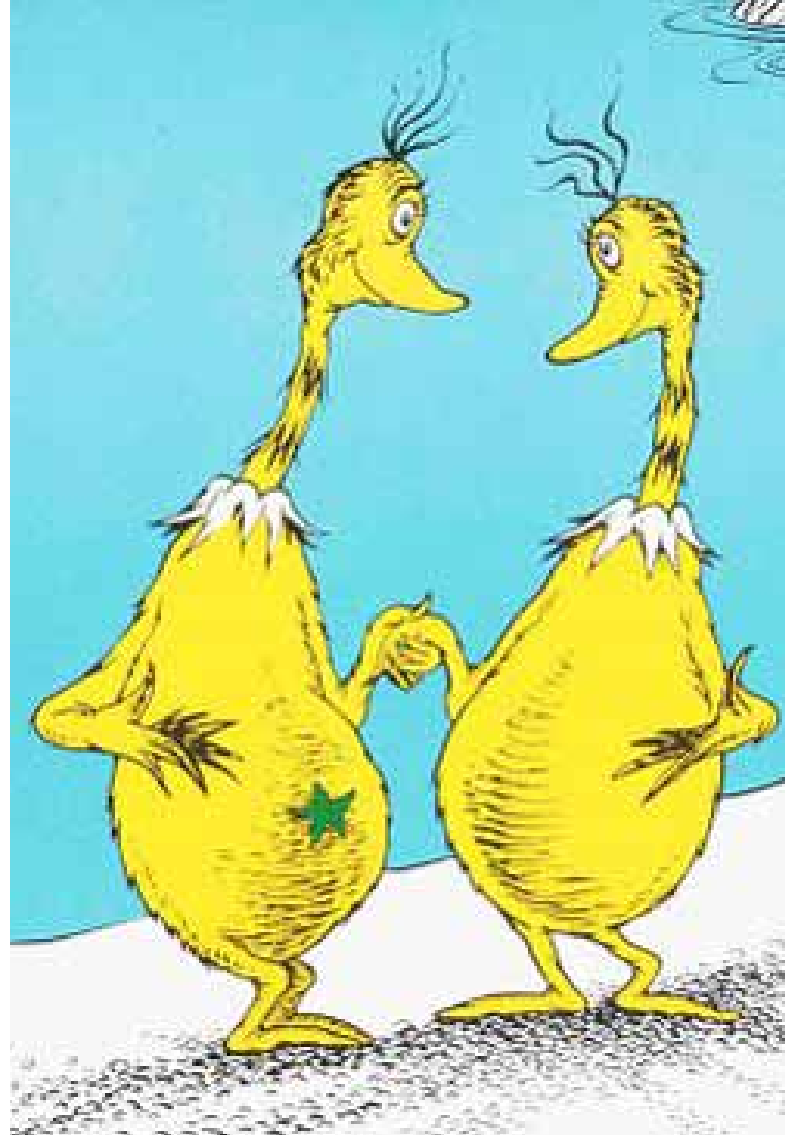
A photograph of the Golden Gate Bridge at night, illuminated against a dark blue sky. The bridge's towers and suspension cables are visible, extending from the left side of the frame towards the center. The water below is dark and reflects the bridge's lights.

Proposition 1E

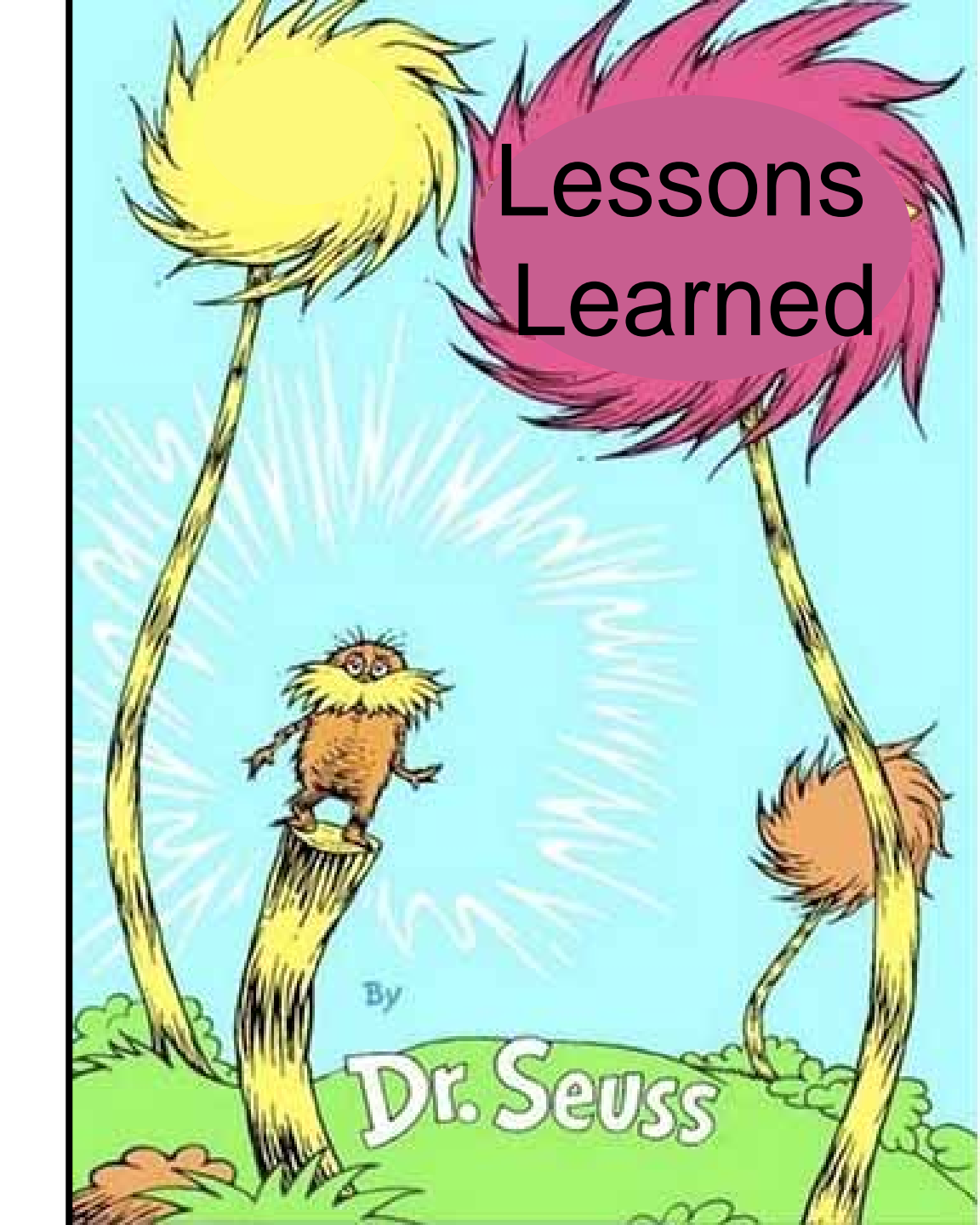
- ◆ “Compromise” proposal that re-directs \$230 million of MHSA funds per year for 2 years
- ◆ Mental Health community plans to fight
- ◆ Special election May 19

The National Healthcare Reform Debate

Does the
“integration” of
physical and
mental health
care really
mean
diminished
attention
toward mental
health care?



Who is
representing
our issues at
the table?



Lessons Learned

- Importance of outcomes
- Flow through the system
- Re-thinking of the stakeholder process

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