MENTAL ILLNESS AND DRUG DEPENDENCY ACTION PLAN Population Data and Service Needs

Prevalence Of the 24% of King County residents (433,000) that are low-income (e.g. \leq 200% Federal Poverty Level):

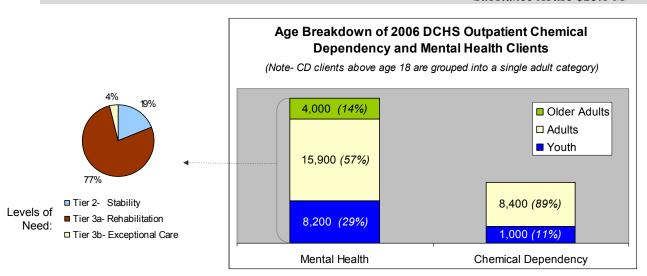
- 10% (44,400) have a chemical dependency
- 15% (65,000) have a serious mental illness

Target Populations

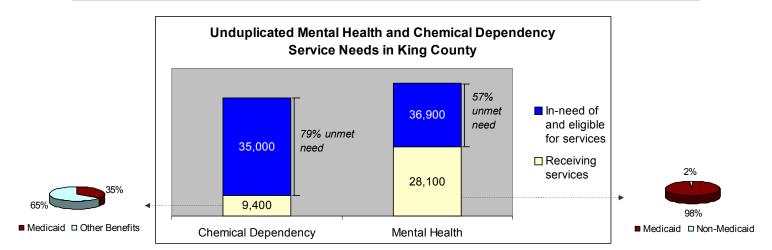
Criminal Justice	 Although they comprise just one-twentieth of the King County Jail's population, seriously mentally ill persons account for two-thirds of its highest utilizers.
<u>Homelessness</u>	 Almost half of King County's homeless have a serious mental illness or substance abuse disorder.
Emergency Healthcare	• 94% of persons who visited hospital emergency rooms in King County 21 times or more in 2002 had a mental illness, chemical dependency, or both.

Cost-Effectiveness of TreatmentFor every dollar spent on treatment, two dollars are realized in public savings (WA State Institute of Public Policy- 2006 report to the Legislature).

Current Service Level 2007 DCHS Adopted Budget: Mental Health \$133 M Substance Abuse \$23.1 M



Need for Services



Projected Impact of Sales Tax Option

33,300 additional services will be provided:

