

**Effingham County 708 Mental Health Board Request for Proposal Letter for 2024-2025:**  
**Due by: August 29th, 2025 Next Board Meeting: Sept 3, 2025 at 1:00pm**

The Effingham County Mental Health 708 Board is now accepting proposals for the 2025 fiscal year to begin October 1, 2025 - Sept 30, 2026. The estimated amount of funding available is \$180,000 based upon the annual tax levy collected in our county. The mission of the 708 Board is to disburse funds for the prevention and treatment of mental illness and substance abuse disorders, as well as serving the developmentally disabled.

Given the limited amount of funding, the 708 Board has determined the priority for 2025 will be to purchase individual mental health services for Effingham County residents that cannot afford treatment for mental illness and substance abuse through our network of professional service providers. This includes For Profit and Not for Profit providers. Purchase of services will follow state Medicaid guidelines and reimbursement up to state Medicaid rates. Our funding, by law, cannot supplement Medicaid or Medicare funding or billing.

**\*New applicants are required to complete a full application.**

**\*Currently funded agencies may submit a one-page letter of request plus Appendix A.**

However, **all requests will require the following supporting documents**; Current year's operating budget, budget for requested funds, most recent full copy of Federal 990 and Annual Certified Audit with Management Letter. These documents are required to ensure county tax payers funds are spent in a responsible manner, and are accountable to the 708 Board and meet the guidelines of the state of Illinois Grant Accountability and Transparency Act.

**Please submit information to Angela Thompson at**  
**athompson@effinghamcountyil.gov**

New providers may request a full application from the Effingham County Board Office by emailing Angela Thompson at athompson@effinghamcountyil.gov. All applicants are encouraged to request a copy of the 708 Board's "Requirements and Guidelines for Funding" approved by the Board on June 29, 2016. It is our intent to have all documents available by email.