



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: CEO/Office of
Emergency Services &
Public Health
Department No.: 990/042
For Agenda Of: 1 June 2010
Placement: Departmental
Estimated Tme: 15 Minutes
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
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SUBJECT: Receive a Staff Report Regarding Homeless Warming Center Activities for 2009-2010 Winter Season

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: N/A

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: N/A

Other Concurrence:

As to form: N/A

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

Based on information received from local volunteers and providers of homeless warming center services, receive a report from County staff regarding the activities related to homeless warming centers during the past 2009-2010 winter season.

Summary Text:

At the request of Supervisor Farr (3rd supervisorial district), staff will provide a report on the efforts of local constituents and organizations in providing warming center services that were funded by the Board of Supervisors. The information contained in this staff report is based on information provided by local volunteers and constituents who provided these services during the 2009-2010 winter season. This report will not address proposed city/County activities for the 2010-2011 winter season. That report will be provided, per Board direction, in September 2010.

Background:

At the Board of Supervisors meeting on 2 February 2010, the Board directed that staff allocate \$40,000 of General Fund Contingency to pay for warming center services to those homeless individuals who were not otherwise using available homeless emergency sheltering. Staff was also directed to return in September 2010 with a report regarding any collaborative efforts between the County and the cities in addressing homeless warming centers for the 2010-2011 winter season.

County staff has recently received information from the volunteer and organization providers of the 2009-2010 winter season. According to the information provided \$10,219 was spent providing the following client services:

Month	Centers North	Centers South	Total Centers	North Guests	South Guests	Total Guests
February	8	11	19	12	214	226
March	9	8	17	10	189	199
April	0	6	6	0	143	143
	17	25	42	22	546	568

The \$10,219 in costs was identified by the providers as:

Category	Amount
Client Supplies	\$ 2,394.05
Rescue Mission/SC Church Staff & Volunteer Coordinator	5,503.58
Payroll Taxes	178.10
St. Bridgid's Staffing Costs	982.50
Good Samaritan Staffing Costs	609.87
Lompoc Staffing Costs	350.90
Insurance	200.00
Total 2009-2010 Costs:	\$ 10,219.00

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

On 2 February 2010, the Board authorized up to \$40,000 of General Fund Contingency to be spent on volunteer and community organization efforts on homeless winter warming center activities. Based on the information provided to County staff a balance of \$29,781 remains.

The information reported to the County represents a cost of approximately \$243 per shelter per night. Per client, per night costs were approximately \$18.

Special Instructions:

None

Attachments:

None

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