



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: Social Services
Department No.: 044
For Agenda Of: 8/18/20
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Time:
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: 4/5

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Daniel Nielson, Social Services Director
Director(s) (805) 346-7101
Contact Info: Raymond L. McDonald, Executive Director, Workforce
Development Board, (805) 884-6830
SUBJECT: Agreement with Northern Santa Barbara County United Way for 2020
California COVID-19 Disaster Recovery National Dislocated Worker Grant

County Counsel Concurrence:

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: Risk Management

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence:

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Approve and authorize the Department of Social Services Director, or designee, to accept the State of California, Employment Development Department 2020 California COVID-19 Disaster Recovery National Dislocated Worker Grant in the amount of \$500,000 for the period of August 18, 2020 through March 31, 2022;
- b) Approve and authorize the Chair to execute an Agreement with Northern Santa Barbara County United Way for the 2020 California COVID-19 Disaster Recovery National Dislocated Worker Grant for a total contract amount not to exceed \$449,998 for the period of August 18, 2020 through March 31, 2022;
- c) Authorize the Director of Social Services, or designee, to extend the Agreement and allocate the amount of unused funds from the previous Fiscal Year budget to the next Fiscal Year Budget, subject to appropriations and budget approval;
- d) Authorize the Director of Social Services, or designee, to adjust the Line Item Budget of the Agreement without exceeding the total contract amount;

- e) Approve Budget Journal Entry No. 0006954 to establish funds for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for \$285,715 (United Way for \$257,142 and WDB Salaries and Benefits for \$28,573) in the Department of Social Services Fund 0058 (4/5 Vote Required); and
- f) Determine that the activity is not a “Project” subject to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) review per CEQA Guideline Section 15378(b)(4), the creation of government funding mechanisms or other government fiscal activities which do not involve any commitment to any specific project which may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment; and per CEQA Guideline Section 15378(b)(5), since the activity is an organizational or administrative activity of government that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment.

Summary Text:

This item is on the agenda in order to approve the Agreement with Northern Santa Barbara County United Way (NSBCUW) for the 2020 California COVID-19 Disaster Recovery National Dislocated Worker Grant (COVID-19 DR NDWG) Project for a total contract amount not to exceed \$449,998 for the period of August 18, 2020 through March 31, 2022.

Background:

The Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) was signed into law on July 22, 2014. It supersedes the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 taking effect July 1, 2015 with the goal of providing job seekers access to employment, education, training and support services to succeed in the labor market and to match employers with skilled workers they need to compete in a global economy.

In March 2020, Governor Newsom issued an emergency proclamation for the State of California due to the effects of the Coronavirus pandemic. To assist with the mass layoffs and business closures in our community, the Workforce Development Board (WDB) submitted a request for a National Dislocated Worker Grant (NDWG), which was subsequently granted May 15, 2020 for a total of \$500,000.

NDWGs provide funding to create temporary employment opportunities to assist with clean-up and recovery efforts, when an area impacted by disaster is declared eligible for public assistance by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) or otherwise recognized by a Federal agency with authority or jurisdiction over Federal response to the emergency or disaster. This funding is intended to temporarily expand capacity to serve dislocated workers and meet the increased demand for WIOA employment and training services, with a purpose to reemploy laid off workers and enhance their employability and earnings.

The COVID-19 DR NDWG contains two service components:

1. Temporary Jobs Component provide Disaster Relief Employment, or temporary jobs, which are restricted to clean-up and recovery efforts including sanitation, demolition, repair, renovation and reconstruction of damaged and destroyed structures, facilities and lands located within the disaster area and in offshore areas related to the emergency or disaster. In addition to the distribution of food, clothing, and other humanitarian assistance for disaster victims.
2. Workforce Development Component provide Dislocated Worker Career Services for laid-off workers already enrolled in the Temporary Jobs Component who are unlikely to return to their

prior employment. NDWG funds may provide employment and training services concurrently with participation in the temporary jobs component.

Performance Measure:

The following performance measures are added to the Agreement specifically for each element of the COVID-19 DR NDWG project:

1. Enroll 33 unduplicated participants in the Temporary Jobs Component by December 31, 2020.
2. Enroll 23 of the Temporary Jobs Component participants in the Workforce Development Component by April 30, 2021.
3. Ensure 23 participants receive a training service (15 participants receive Occupational Skills Training by December 31, 2020 and 8 receive Transitional Jobs or On-the-job training by January 31, 2021.
4. Ensure 40% of all participants enter employment at the completion of the project.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: No

Fiscal Analysis:

<u>Funding Sources</u>	<u>FY 2020/2021</u> <u>Cost</u>	<u>FY 2021/2022</u> <u>Cost</u>	<u>Total Cost</u>
General Fund			
State			
Federal	\$ 285,715.00	\$ 214,285.00	\$ 500,000.00
Fees			
Other:			
Total			\$ 500,000.00

Narrative: The County will fund the \$449,998 Agreement with NSBCUW and \$50,002 of WDB Salaries and Benefits using \$500,000 of Department of Labor Employment and Training Administration (DOLETA) COVID-19 DR NDWG. There is no General Fund Contribution.

Key Contract Risks:

The risk assessment worksheet has been completed and DSS has determined that NSBCUW is a medium risk vendor. NSBCUW is insured for General and Professional Liability. The County has experience with NSBCUW and is confident of its ability to provide services.

Staffing Impacts:

Legal Positions:

None

FTEs:

None

Special Instructions:

Please scan, email and send one (1) duplicate original Agreement, and a copy of the minute order to:
 DSS Contracts Unit
 C/O Tricia Beebe
 2125 S. Centerpointe Parkway, 3rd Floor
 Santa Maria, CA 93455

Attachments:

1. Attachment 1 – Agreement - NSBCUW - 2020 COVID-19 DR NDWG
2. Attachment 2 – BJE 0006954 – NSBCUW – 2020 COVID-19 DR NDWG

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