

SANTA BARBARA COUNTY BOARD AGENDA LETTER



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Agenda Number:
Prepared on: 6/24/04
Department Name: Treasurer-Tax Collector
Department No.: 065
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Continued Item: NO
If Yes, date from:

TO: Board of Supervisors

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Treasurer-Tax Collector

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SUBJECT: 2004-2005 Veterans' Services Office - Certificate of Compliance and Medi-Cal Cost Avoidance Agreement

Recommendation(s):

That the Board of Supervisors:

- A. Approve and authorize the Chairperson of the Board to execute the State of California Department of Veterans Affairs Certificate of Compliance.
- B. Execute program agreement with California Department of Veterans' Services for the Medi-Cal Cost Avoidance Program, period of 2004/2005 fiscal year, setting forth the County's obligation for program administration.

Alignment with Board Strategic Plan:

The recommendation(s) are primarily aligned with the actions required by law or routine business necessity.

Executive Summary and Discussion:

The California Department of Veterans' Affairs requires counties participating in the funding programs offered through the State to meet certain criteria, as set forth in the **Certificate of Compliance** and the **Medi-Cal Cost Avoidance Program**. These two documents are prerequisites to obtaining State funding for programs addressing the needs of veterans residing within Santa Barbara County.

The Certificate of Compliance specifies that the County has appointed a County Veterans Services Officer in accordance with the California Code of Regulations, chapter 12, subchapter 4.

The Medi-Cal Cost Avoidance Program Agreement provides specific State funding and limits the utilization of those funds to the County Veterans' Services budget (budget 065/program 7100).

Mandates and Service Levels:

No change in programs or service level.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

It is anticipated that the County will receive \$ 44,877.00 during the 2004/2005 fiscal year to offset costs associated with the Veterans' Services Office program as a result of this Certificate of Compliance, participation in State Subvention Programs and the Medi-Cal Cost Avoidance Program Agreement.

Special Instructions:

After execution by the Board Chairperson, please return two original signed certificates of the Subvention and Medi-Cal Certificates of Compliance and two certified copies of the Minute Order to the Office of the Treasurer-Tax Collector, Attn: Jim Trombella.