



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Submitted on:
(COB Stamp)

Department Name: Community Services
Department No.: 057
Agenda Date: January 13, 2026
Placement: Administrative Agenda
Estimated Time: N/A
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from: N/A
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Director(s): Jesús Armas, Community Services Director
Contact Info: Lucille Boss, Housing Programs Manager
SUBJECT: Amend Authorization to Apply for Homekey+ Funding

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: Behavioral Wellness Department

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Adopt an amended Resolution authorizing the Application and participation in the Homekey Program, and the acceptance and administration of Homekey+ funds (Attachment A);
- b) Authorize the Director of the Community Services Department, or designee, to execute all certifications, standard forms, and local grant agreements, and other related documents required for the acceptance and administration of Homekey+ funds, subject to concurrence by Auditor-Controller, County Counsel and Risk Management; and
- c) Determine that the recommended actions are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to California Health and Safety Code Section 50675.1.4, finding that the proposed "Homekey" project is to provide housing for individuals and families who are experiencing homelessness and that the project satisfies the requirements described more fully in Section 50675.1.4.

Summary Text:

Staff requests Board authorization to submit an amended Resolution for funding to support the acquisition, development, and operations of a previously authorized Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) project. The amended application will request no more than \$15,000,000 in Homekey+ funds for the development and operations of the property located at 429 N. San Antonio Rd., Santa Barbara, called Calle Real Family Village.

Background:

The intent of this board letter is to seek authorization from the Board for staff to submit an amended resolution accompanying a previously authorized application for Homekey+ funding. On April 8, 2025, the Board approved a resolution directing a request of more than \$11,000,000 in Homekey+ funds for the development and operations of permanent supportive housing, and an application was submitted to the California Department of Housing and Community Development (State HCD) immediately following Board direction. Upon review, State HCD requested the resolution be updated to reflect: (1) an increase in funding for Veteran-serving units following an amended NOFA published August 7, 2025, (2) the address of the building closest to the proposed project site, and (3) the name of the project.

Performance Measures:

If the State awards Homekey funds, the County of Santa Barbara and Dignity Moves will be required to sign and record regulatory agreements to operate the projects as supportive housing for the target population of persons experiencing homelessness or at risk of homelessness for 55 years or risk the repayment of the Homekey funds to the State and any penalty. The State will conduct ongoing monitoring to assure that the Project is being administered in accordance with the Homekey Program. The State will enter into a standard agreement with the co-applicants.

Fiscal Analysis:

Staff will return with a fiscal analysis that demonstrates financial viability if the application is successful. No general fund is anticipated to be used for operating costs.

Staffing Impacts:

Because the State enters into a standard agreement with the co-applicants for any approved project, the State conducts ongoing monitoring to assure that the Project is being administered in accordance with the Homekey Program. However, any approved project may require future compliance monitoring assistance to the State by CSD staff.

Special Instructions:

Please return signed Resolution(s) to Community Services Department via interoffice mail ATTN: Lucille Boss.

Attachments:

Attachment A – Authorizing Resolution for Calle Real Family Village

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