



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: Public Health
Department No.: 041
For Agenda Of: April 4, 2017
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Tme:
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: 4/5

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Department Carrie Topliffe, Interim Director
Director(s) Public Health Department
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SUBJECT: Acceptance of Cash Donation Greater than \$10,000 from the Service League of Santa Barbara General Hospital

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: N/A

As to form:

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions: That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Accept a cash donation of \$35,787.18 from the Service League of Santa Barbara General Hospital to the Santa Barbara County Public Health Department (PHD);
- b) Approve budget revision request No. 0004927 (Attachment A) to increase appropriations by \$35,788.00 in the Public Health Department's Special Revenue Fund for the acceptance of a donation of \$35,787.18 from the Service League of Santa Barbara General Hospital to provide outside patient specialty care services; and
- c) Determine that acceptance of the donation is not a "Project" under the California Environmental Quality Act and is exempt from environmental review per CEQA Guideline Section 15378(b)(4), since it is a government funding mechanism and other fiscal activity that does not involve any commitment to a specific project that may result in a potentially significant effect on the environment.

Summary Text:

The recommended action by the Board of Supervisors to accept the referenced donation is in accordance with California Government Code Section 25355. The Board's action to approve the donation will allow the Public Health Department (PHD) to use the donated funds to provide necessary access and referrals to outside specialty care for indigent patients seen in the PHD Health Centers. Patients are

referred out for necessary care, such as surgeries and procedures that are not performed at the Health Care Centers.

Background: The Service League of Santa Barbara General Hospital is a non-profit agency comprised of dedicated volunteers who until very recently ran a gift shop on the Public Health Department Calle Real campus. As their name suggests, the group formed in 1969 when the County General Hospital (Hospital) was in existence and has served the patients and County staff at the Calle Real Campus for almost 50 years. When the Service League was first formed, there were over 100 volunteers serving the hospital and running the gift shop, which sold small gift items and snacks. The Hospital closed in 1979 and although their numbers dwindled, many of the volunteers stayed on over the years to continue the gift shop operations. When the gift shop closed on January 31, 2017, there were still 10 very dedicated volunteers.

Over the years, the Service League has provided many donations that have benefitted the PHD and its clients. Examples of their contributions include portable baby scales, ophthalmology equipment, conference room furnishings, and dental program supplies. The Service League also recently contributed to a landscaping improvement project on the Calle Real Campus that provided necessary walking safety improvements and also some outdoor tables and seating for use by clients and staff of the departments that share the Calle Real campus.

The current donation of \$35,787.18 will be used to pay for outside specialty care for indigent and uninsured patients seen in the PHD Health Centers who otherwise would not be able to afford to pay for critical outside surgeries or procedures that aren't performed within the scope of the PHD Health Center practice. These services need to be referred out to area private specialty providers.

The Service League, the gift shop, and most importantly the very dedicated volunteers will be much missed by the Calle Real Campus County Staff and the clients who use the many programs that located there. The volunteers were known and appreciated for their warmth, caring, and the kindness that they demonstrated every day for their customers.

Performance Measure:

N/A

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: No.

Acceptance of this item and approval of the attached budget revision will amend the department's FY 2016-17 Adopted Budget to add \$35,787.18 in services and supplies appropriations from donated funds. These funds will be used to pay for outside specialty care for indigent and uninsured patients seen in the PHD Health Centers who otherwise would not be able to afford to pay for critical outside surgeries or procedures.

Staffing Impacts:

N/A

Special Instructions:

Please send an electronic copy of the Minute Order to the PHD Contracts Unit at: PHDCU@sbcpd.org

Attachments:

- A. Budget Journal Entry Number: BJE-0004927

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