



**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER**

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Submitted on:
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Department Name: County Health Department
Department No.: 041
Agenda Date: June 23, 2026
Placement: Administrative Agenda
Estimated Time:
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: 4/5

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Director: Mouhanad Hammami, County Health
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Signed by:
Mouhanad Hammami
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SUBJECT: Acceptance of In-Kind Donations to the Santa Barbara County Animal Services from the Santa Barbara County Animal Care Foundation, K-9 Placement and Assistance League, Inc, and Companion Animal Placement Assistance: Animal Arts Design Services valued at \$25,749

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: CEO Budget

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Approve and ratify the acceptance of the in-kind donation to Santa Barbara County Animal Services from the Santa Barbara County Animal Care Foundation (SBCACF), K-9 Placement and Assistance League, Inc (K9PALS), and Companion Animal Placement Assistance (CAPA) of architectural and design services of Animal Arts Design Studios, Inc. (Animal Arts) valued at \$25,749 (Attachment A);
- b) Approve budget revision request No. 0011076 (Attachment B); and
- c) Determine that the above-recommended actions are not a project that is subject to environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15378(b)(5) since that the actions consist of administrative activities of government that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment.

Summary Text:

This item is on the agenda to accept the generous in-kind donations of architectural and design services by Animal Arts valued at \$25,749, from the Santa Barbara County Animal Care Foundation (SBCACF), K-9 Placement and Assistance League, Inc (K9PALS), and Companion Animal Placement Assistance (CAPA) for use in planning future capital projects related to the Lompoc and Goleta Animal Shelter facilities as directed by SBCAS.

Discussion:

This item accepts the generous in-kind donation of architectural and design services by Animal Arts, valued at \$25,749, from the Santa Barbara County Animal Care Foundation, K9PALS, and CAPA. These community partners secured and contributed the resources needed to provide this specialized planning support. Acceptance of this donation strengthens SBCAS's ability to plan responsibly for future shelter improvements, improve the quality of care provided to animals, and create safer, more functional facilities for staff, volunteers, animals, and the public.

Santa Barbara County Animal Services (SBCAS) operates three shelter facilities that serve animals and communities throughout Santa Barbara County. The Lompoc and Goleta Animal Shelters are aging facilities with infrastructure, layout, and animal housing limitations that impact daily operations, animal care, staff efficiency, volunteer engagement, and overall public experience. As SBCAS continues to modernize shelter operations and plan for future capital improvements, professional architectural and animal shelter design expertise is needed to ensure that proposed facility improvements are functional, humane, cost-effective, and aligned with current best practices in animal sheltering.

Animal Arts, an architectural firm specializing in animal care and shelter facilities, has provided professional design and planning services to support future capital projects at the Lompoc and Goleta Animal Shelters. These services include evaluation of existing facility conditions, planning concepts, and design drawings intended to guide future improvements to animal housing and shelter operations. The resulting plans will assist SBCAS in identifying project scope, prioritizing facility needs, informing cost estimates, and supporting future capital improvement planning.

The donated services will provide SBCAS with professional planning documents, conceptual designs, and drawings that are not currently available for these facilities. In Lompoc, these materials will support implementation of animal housing improvements already funded through grants and donations. In Goleta, they will serve as the basis for future capital improvement projects and funding requests. Having these documents available will improve SBCAS's ability to coordinate with County departments and community partners, pursue additional funding opportunities, and move facility projects forward in a strategic and organized manner.

Background:

SBCACF, K9PALS, and CAPA are non-profit organizations dedicated to promoting animal welfare and improving the quality of life for animals in Santa Barbara County. As committed partners of SBCAS, these organizations support shelter operations, facility improvements, medical care, foster and volunteer programming, animal enrichment, and community outreach initiatives that directly benefit animals in County care.

Through continued collaboration, SBCACF, K9PALS, and CAPA identify critical gaps in shelter resources and work to secure funding and support that enhances SBCAS operations and animal

welfare outcomes. The donation of architectural and design services by Animal Arts represents a strategic investment in future shelter infrastructure, allowing SBCAS to better plan for capital projects related to the Lompoc and Goleta Animal Shelter facilities.

SBCAS is continually grateful to SBCACF, K9PALS, and CAPA for their ongoing partnership and commitment to improving the lives of animals in Santa Barbara County.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: No.

Accepting non-cash donations of \$8,583 each from SBCACF, K9PALS, and CAPA for Animal Arts Agreements 1, 2, and 3 (Attachment A), for a total donation amount of \$25,749, will not affect mandates or General Fund contribution. A budget revision is necessary to establish appropriations for Animal Arts services to be funded by unanticipated non-cash donations (Attachment B). A journal entry to recognize the donations in the County financial system will be processed after Board approval and after the services are received.

Fiscal Analysis:

The Animal Arts services, and funding sources, are expected to be one-time in nature.

Funding Source	FY 2025-2026	Total
Non-Cash Donations	\$25,749	\$25,749
Total	\$25,749	\$25,749

Special Instructions:

Please email one Minute Order to the CHD Contracts Unit at phdcu@sbcphd.org when available.

Attachments:

Attachment A – Agreements Between Partners and Animal Arts Demonstrating In-Kind Donation Value

Attachment B – Budget Revision Request No. 0011076

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