



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
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**Department Name:** Community Services  
**Department No.:** 057  
**For Agenda Of:** June 16, 2020  
**Placement:** Administrative  
**Estimated Tme:** N/A  
**Continued Item:** No  
**If Yes, date from:** N/A  
**Vote Required:** Majority

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors  
**FROM:** Department George Chapjian, Community Services Director (805) 568-2467  
Director:  
Contact Info: Ryder Bailey, CPA, Chief Financial Officer (805) 568-3526  
**SUBJECT:** Emergency COVID-19 Shelter Contracts with Good Samaritan and People Assisting The Homeless (PATH).

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**County Counsel Concurrence**

As to form: Yes

**Auditor-Controller Concurrence**

As to form: Yes

**Risk Management Concurrence**

As to form: Yes

**Recommended Actions:**

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Approve and ratify Unified Command's execution of the professional services agreements with the following providers in the specified amounts:
  - i. \$120,000 to Good Samaritan Shelter for Emergency Shelter operations at the North County Santa Maria High School (Attachment A)
  - ii. \$37,000 to People Assisting The Homeless (PATH) for shelter support at the South County Non-Congregate Shelter (Attachment B)
- b) Determine that Emergency Exemption 14 CCR 15269(c) is applicable as these contracts were necessary to prevent or mitigate an emergency.
- c) Determine that the recommended actions are not the acceptance and approval of a project that is subject to environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15378(b)(4), finding that the project is a 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

**Summary Text:**

The attached professional services agreements will provide assistance for both the Santa Maria High School Emergency Shelter and the South County Non-Congregated Shelter. On March 12, 2020, the Board of Supervisors declared a local emergency proclamation in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Part of the Office of Emergency Management's response was to create the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Homeless Task Force Response Team to mitigate spread of COVID through vulnerable homeless populations. On March 21, 2020, due to the cessation of available services to homeless individuals, the County opened the Santa Maria High School Emergency Shelter (SMHS ES). The County contracted with Good Samaritan, a Northern Santa Barbara County based shelter provider to administer Shelter operations beginning April 6, 2020. On April 20, 2020, the EOC Homeless Task Force Response Team opened a Non-Congregate Shelter in the Southern portion of Santa Barbara County and contracted with People Assisting the Homeless (PATH) to provide managerial administration support of the Non-Congregate Shelter site. These contracts were authorized and approved by Unified Command under an Emergency Exemption to address an immediate and necessary need to protect public health.

### **Background:**

As the COVID-19 Emergency spread through Santa Barbara, there was a need to protect vulnerable homeless individuals. The EOC Homeless Task Force Response Team was created with the following objectives.

EOC Homeless Task Force Response Team's Objectives;

1. Prevent and mitigate COVID-19 impacts for persons who remain unsheltered through support centers and outreach re-establishing access to showers, device charging, food and hygiene supplies.
2. Establish non-congregate sheltering for persons at highest risk of COVID-19 complications.
3. Sustain shelter capacity for persons not experiencing COVID-19 symptoms.
4. Enhance homelessness prevention and housing activities through increased funding for rental assistance and supportive services.

Santa Maria High School Emergency Shelter (SMHS ES) – Good Samaritan contracted to administer. Addressing the third objective of the EOC Homeless Task Force Response Team above, the County of Santa Barbara opened an emergency Shelter on March 21<sup>st</sup> to fill the gap left by the cessation of services due to the impacts of Covid in the Northern portion of Santa Barbara County. SMHS ES provided 71 beds, showers, meals, access to hand washing and electricity for device charging. On April 6<sup>th</sup>, Good Samaritan a local non-profit with extensive experience operating shelters and providing services in the Santa Maria and Lompoc areas, was contracted to assume administration of the SMHS ES. Since April 6<sup>th</sup>, Good Samaritan has handled staffing and nearly all other logistical issues at the site.

Non-Congregated Shelter (NCS) Site South – PATH contracted to provide administration oversight. Addressing the second objective of the EOC Homeless Task Force Response Team above, the County of Santa Barbara opened a 74 room Non-Congregate Shelter to house vulnerable homeless individuals without the ability to isolate at a local hotel. PATH is a non-profit with extensive experience operating shelter and providing services in the Santa Barbara area. Since it's opening on April 20<sup>th</sup>, PATH has provided administration and operational support of the site.

### **Fiscal Analysis:**

There is currently adequate budget within the Community Services Department Housing Division, Fund 0065.

The County received \$323,271.37 and the Santa Maria/Santa Barbara County CoC received \$351,371.72 in State COVID-19 Emergency Homelessness Funding. These funds must be used to reduce the spread of COVID-19 in the County’s homeless population. All COVID-19 Emergency Homelessness funding must be encumbered by June 30, 2020. The Good Samaritan and PATH contracts will be paid with these funds.

Additionally, some of the Non-Congregated Shelter (NCS) costs may be FEMA eligible. Staff will coordinate with ACO and CEO Staff to seek reimbursement.

<b>Funding Sources</b>	<b>Current FY Cost:</b>	<b>Annualized On-going Cost:</b>	<b>Total One-Time Project Cost</b>
General Fund			
State			\$ 157,000.00
Federal			
Fees			
Other:			
<b>Total</b>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 157,000.00

**Attachments:**

Attachment A: Agreement with Good Samaritan Shelter for Emergency Shelter Operations

Attachment B: Agreement with PATH for Non-Congregate Shelter Support

**Special Instructions:**

After Board action, please distribute the following to Ryder Bailey, Community Services Department:

- 1) Minute Order
- 2) Three (3) executed, original copies of each of the following documents
  - a. Agreement with Good Samaritan Shelter for \$120,000 for Emergency Shelter Operations
  - b. Agreement with PATH for \$37,000 for Non-Congregate Shelter support