



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: September 18, 2012
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Tme: n/a
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Herman Parker, Community Services (805-568-2467)
Director(s)
Contact Info: Dinah Lockhart, Deputy Director (805-568-3523)
SUBJECT: Shelter Operations General Fund Grant Agreements for Casa Esperanza Homeless Center and Good Samaritan Shelter

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: Risk Management & Planning

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- A. Approve and authorize the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute a Shelter Operations General Fund Grant Agreement with Casa Esperanza Homeless Center (Casa Esperanza) to support and maintain existing service levels for the Casa Esperanza homeless shelter for the period of July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013 in an amount not to exceed \$140,330 (Attachment A);
- B. Approve and authorize the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute a Shelter Operations General Fund Grant Agreement with Good Samaritan Shelter (Good Samaritan) to support and maintain existing service levels for Good Samaritan homeless shelter for the period of July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013 in an amount not to exceed \$159,670 (Attachment B);
- C. Determine that the approvals and execution of the Shelter Operations General Fund Grant Agreements are not the approvals of projects that are 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; and
- D. Direct staff to file a Notice of Exemption (Attachment C).

Summary

With the adoption of the budget for Fiscal Year 2012-2013, the Board of Supervisors approved funding in the amount of \$345,000 for the operations of three homeless shelters. In prior years, funds have been provided to Bridgehouse Emergency Shelter and Casa Esperanza and Good Samaritan homeless shelters on a pro-rata basis, which is derived from the number of bed nights provided during the preceding fiscal year.

The following table reflects the proposed 2012-2013 allocations and is based upon bed night data provided by each homeless shelter operator in 2011-2012:

Shelter	2011-2012 Annual Bed Nights	% of shelter bed nights/ total bed nights	2012-2013 General Fund Shelter Allocation
Bridgehouse Emergency Shelter	9,175*	13%*	\$45,000
Good Samaritan Shelter	32,554	46%	\$159,670
Casa Esperanza Emergency Shelter	28,611	41%	\$140,330
Totals	70,340	100%	\$345,000

*Bed nights were extrapolated from monthly data provided by Good Samaritan as data spanning the entire fiscal year was not available.

As the awards for Good Samaritan and Casa Esperanza each exceed \$100,000, Board action is required to execute each of the Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Shelter Operations General Fund Grant Agreements. The Community Services Department will enter into a separate agreement with Good Samaritan for the operation of the Bridgehouse Emergency Shelter.

A new license and service agreement between Good Samaritan and the County was signed on August 24, 2012 for a term until December 31, 2012 which allows Good Samaritan to continue to use the Bridgehouse Emergency Shelter to provide services to clients. The County is also working with the State Housing and Community Development (HCD) Department on the approval of an Assumption Agreement. The Assumption Agreement provides that upon approval and execution of the Assumption Agreement, the County will assume and agrees to the terms of the Regulatory Agreement, the Promissory Note, and the Deed of Trust, Assignment of Rents, Security Agreement, and Fixture Filing (permanent financing) between the State and the Lompoc Housing and Community Development Corporation (LHCDC). The Assumption Agreement will be considered by the Board as a later meeting date. Previous Board action approved the County’s acceptance and recordation of LHCDC’s grant of a deed in lieu of foreclosure, thereby giving the County ownership of the Bridgehouse property. By assuming the regulatory requirements, the County would be required to operate the Bridgehouse Emergency Shelter as a shelter until March 2013 when the regulatory requirements expire. A future Board agenda item will request direction to staff on exploring long-term options for the property.

Under the terms and conditions of the Shelter Operations General Fund Grant Agreement, Casa Esperanza, a non-profit corporation, will provide shelter management at the homeless shelter located on Cacique Street in the City of Santa Barbara. Casa Esperanza will make available 200 beds per night during the winter months (December 1 through March 31) and 30 beds per night during the non-winter months (July 1 through November 30 and April 1 through June 30). Casa Esperanza will provide at least 28,000 emergency shelter bed nights to homeless individuals between July 1, 2012 and June 30, 2013.

Good Samaritan will provide shelter management at the homeless shelter located on Morrison Avenue in the City of Santa Maria. Good Samaritan will make available 120 shelter beds per night year-round and will provide at least 32,000 emergency shelter bed nights to homeless individuals between July 1, 2012 and June 30, 2013.

Fiscal Analysis:

<u>Funding Sources</u>	<u>Current FY Cost:</u>	<u>Annualized On-going Cost:</u>
General Fund		\$ 300,000.00
State		
Federal		
Fees		
Other:		
Total	\$ -	\$ 300,000.00

Narrative: The General Fund allocation to support emergency shelter operations is included in the Board-adopted Community Services Department Fiscal Year 2012-2013 operating budget.

Staffing Impacts:

None

Special Instructions:

Please email an electronic copy of the Minute Order to the Community Services Department, Housing and Community Development Division at: HCD@co.santa-barbara.ca.us. Please execute three (3) original copies of each Grant Agreement and send to A.J. Quinoveva (x1090).

Attachments:

- Attachment A - Shelter Operations General Fund Grant Agreement, Casa Esperanza Homeless Center
- Attachment B - Shelter Operations General Fund Grant Agreement, Good Samaritan Shelter
- Attachment C - CEQA Notice of Exemption

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