



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

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

Department Name: County Health Department
& Fire Department
Department No.: 041 & 031
Agenda Date: June 24, 2025
Placement: Administrative Agenda
Estimated Time:
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: 4/5

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Mouhanad Hammami, Director, County Health Department
Mark Hartwig, Fire Chief
Contact Info: Paola Hurtado, Division Chief of Primary Care and
Family Health
SUBJECT: Accept donations of pharmaceutical replenishments and safety net support from
Direct Relief International to the County Health Department and Fire Department

Signed by:

Mouhanad Hammami

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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:

- Approve, ratify, and authorize the County Health Director and Fire Chief to accept and receive donations from Direct Relief International, a 501(c)(3) organization, of pharmaceutical inventory replenishment and other safety net support in the combined total amount of \$525,691.07 provided to the County Health Department and the Fire Department during the 2024 calendar year;
- Approve Budget Revision BJE 0010399 recognizing the value of the donations in the amount of \$525,700 as revenue and expense to the County Health Department and the Fire Department; and,
- Determine that the recommended actions are not a Project within the meaning of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to Section 15378(b)(5) of the CEQA Guidelines, because the actions are organizational or administrative activities of governments that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment.

Summary Text:

This item is on the agenda for your Board to approve, ratify, and authorize the County Health Director and Fire Chief to accept donated items from Direct Relief International (DRI), a 501(c)(3) organization in the total amount of \$525,691.07.

In accordance with County Policy D4.1, a donation of over \$10,000 requires acceptance by the Board of Supervisors.

Discussion:

The County Health Department (CHD) along with the other County Departments of Behavioral Wellness, Sheriff’s Office, and the Fire Department, have long enjoyed a strong relationship with DRI for support during emergencies and disasters.

DRI has made significant donations in the form of pharmaceutical replenishments and other safety net support to the County Health Department valued at \$511,086.11 and the Fire Department valued at \$14,604.96. Similarly, DRI also donated other safety net support to the Homeless Services program in Lompoc located at the Champion Center, including individual hygiene kits to the Santa Barbara County Behavioral Wellness Department, valued at \$1,633.80. The combined total amount donated by DRI during the 2024 Calendar year was \$527,324.87. A detailed listing of the departments and the types of support is included as Attachment A.

Although the donations were made during the calendar year 2024, they represent 12 months and require a budget revision to the current FY 2024-25 County Health and Fire Department Adopted Budget.

Background:

The majority of this support was to the County Health Department and the Fire Department and it took the form of the following:

- Replenishments of inventory as part of a Pharmaceutical Assistance Program in which eligible low-income County Health Center patients are provided access to free pharmaceuticals. Prescriptions for eligible patients are filled from drug inventory at the County Health pharmacies, which is then replenished by DRI.
- Safety Net support of hygiene products, personal protection equipment, and other wellness supports to the County Health Healthcare for the Homeless program and the various Health Care Centers.
- Safety Net support of personal protection equipment to the Fire Department.

Safety Net providers are health care providers who deliver health care services to patients regardless of their ability to pay. CHD’s Health Centers are considered safety net sites.

The table below details the amounts per department by area of support:

Direct Relief Support 2024	
Carpinteria Health Care Center	\$7,600.82
County of Santa Barbara Public Health	\$4,137.89
County of Santa Barbara Public Health Pharmacy	\$37,958.68
Franklin Health Care Clinic	\$3,712.86
Health Care for the Homeless Admin	\$4,033.81
Health Care for the Homeless - Franklin	\$950.64
Health Care for the Homeless	\$2,893.22
Health Care for the Homeless - Lompoc	\$7,347.34
Health Care for the Homeless Shelter Clinic - Santa Maria	\$16,326.46

PATH Shelter	\$537.58
Public Health Clinic	\$24,650.71
Public Health Pharmacy	\$12,946.80
Public Health Pharmacy Lompoc	\$27,284.14
SBC PHD - Maternal, Child & Adolescent Health	\$673.00
Santa Barbara County Executive Storeroom - PHD	\$2,370.72
Santa Barbara Public Health Public Health Administration	\$4,047.00
Santa Maria Healthcare Clinic	\$3,614.44
Total to County Health	\$511,086.11
Santa Barbara Office of Emergency Management	\$14,604.96
Total Fire Department	\$14,604.96
SB Dept of Behavioral Wellness Homeless Svcs LO Crestwood Champion Ctr.	\$1,633.80
Total Behavioral Wellness Department	\$1,633.80
Total to Santa Barbara County	\$527,324.87

Although the donations were made during the calendar year 2024, they represent a full 12-month period, which necessitates a budget revision to the current FY 2024-25 County Health and Fire Department Adopted Budget. According to County policy, the reportable amounts apply exclusively to the County Health Department and the Fire Department. As a result, the Budget Revision will amend the Adopted Budgets of both departments by a total of \$525,691.07 to account for and reflect the donations received by them.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: No

Fiscal Analysis:

Funding Source	FY 2024-25	Total
General Fund		
State		
Federal		
Fees		
Other (County Health Department)	511,100.00	511,100.00
Other (Fire Department)	14,600.00	14,600.00
Total	525,700.00	525,700.00

The total financial impact of this donation includes a combined \$525,691.07 in value for the County Health Department and Fire Department for pharmaceutical replenishments and safety net supports. An additional \$1,633.80 was donated to the Santa Barbara County Behavioral Wellness Department. That donation was under the \$10,000 threshold for County Board acceptance and while mentioned here, is not part of the Budget Journal Entry to amend the Adopted Budget. Budget Journal Entry BJE-0010399, Attachment B, recognizes the value of the donations as unanticipated revenue to the

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County Health Department and Fire Department with a commensurate entry recorded as use of funds.

Staffing Impacts:

N/A

Special Instructions:

Request the Clerk of the Board provide a copy of the minute order to the County Health Department, Attention: PHDGROUPContractsUnit@sbcphd.org and to the Santa Barbara County Fire Department, Attention: Courtney Stockton cstockton@countyofsb.org

Attachments:

Attachment A – Direct Relief Support to Santa Barbara County Executive Office Report

Attachment B – Budget Journal Entry #BJE-0010399

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