



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: Fire
Department No.: 031
For Agenda Of: January 27, 2026
Placement: Administrative Agenda
Estimated Time: N/A
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: 4/5

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Director(s): Garrett Huff, Fire Chief / Fire Warden *GH*
Contact: Jennie Brunick, CFAO
SUBJECT: Acceptance of Non-Cash Donation Greater than \$10,000 from One805

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: CEO Budget

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Authorize the Santa Barbara County Fire Protection Department (Fire Department) to accept a non-cash donation from the family foundation of Michelle and Craig Taylor through One805 of twenty-six (26) UESCOPE Video laryngoscope devices and associated components for a total of \$53,398.31; and
- b) Approve Budget Revision Request #BJE-0010936(Attachment C); and
- c) Determine that these activities are exempt from California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) review per CEQA Guideline Section 15061 (b)(3), since it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activities may have a significant effect on the environment.

Summary Text:

The recommended action by the Board of Supervisors to authorize the acceptance of the referenced non-cash donation is in accordance with California Government Code Section 25355, and Policies & Procedures for the Acceptance of Donations and Gifts to the County.

The Fire Department is requesting Board approval to accept a non-cash donation from One805, as provided to them by the family foundation of Michelle and Craig Taylor, of twenty-six (26) UESCOPE Video laryngoscope devices and associated components valued at \$53,398.31.

This donation will enhance the Fire Department's ability to provide lifesaving respiratory interventions during time-critical patient care responses.

Discussion:

In 2024 and early 2025, the Fire Department conducted trials to determine the best video laryngoscopy device for deployment in the field environment. The Fire Department's Medical Director, clinical staff, and paramedic field training officers (FTOs) tested several devices and determined that UESCOPE was the best tool to meet this need.

The UESCOPE technology will not only better equip the Fire Department to improve airway management during clinically critical calls but also enhance the quality management process that supports our clinical care programs. Many agencies across the state and country currently utilize the UESCOPE in the prehospital setting, including San Diego Fire, Newport Beach Fire, Austin-Travis EMS, and Allina Health EMS PA.

Background:

In November of 2025, the Santa Barbara County Fire Department submitted a Grant Application to One805, a local 501(c)(3) corporation that generously supports first responder agencies from across Santa Barbara County. The grant request included the purchase of twenty-six (26) UESCOPE Video laryngoscope devices and associated blade components for a total cost of \$53,398.31.

In December of 2025, the Fire Department was advised that the grant proposal had been accepted for a total amount of \$53,398.31. The Fire Department is seeking Board approval to accept the non-cash donation totaling \$53,398.31 from One805.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

The donation of UESCOPE Video laryngoscope devices and associated components was not included in the adopted budget and will require an increase in appropriations. Budget Revision (BJE 0010936) is attached, increasing the appropriation in revenue and expense by \$53,400. The number has been rounded for budget purposes.

The Fire Department will assume responsibility for any ongoing estimated cost of \$3,500 per year associated with the continued use and maintenance of the UESCOPE devices, including replacement blades, batteries, and the associated quality improvement (QI) software. There will be no impact on the General Fund.

Fiscal Analysis:

Funding Source	FY 25/26	FY 26/27	Total
Donation & Grant	\$53,400		\$53,400
Total	\$53,400		\$53,400

Attachments:

Attachment A - One805 Grant Application & Proposal

Attachment B - Invoice from Life-Assist Inc.

Attachment C - Budget Revision Request #BJE-0010936

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