



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: Public Health
Department No.: 041
For Agenda Of: November 17, 2015
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Time:
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Takashi Wada, MD, MPH, Director and Health Officer
Director(s) Public Health Department
Contact Info: Paige Batson, PHN, 346-8286
Manager, Disease Control & Prevention
SUBJECT: Tuberculosis Control Program Revenue Base Award Augmentation

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: None

As to form: N/A

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Approve and authorize the Public Health Department Director to execute the Acceptance of Award augmenting the Tuberculosis Control Program's base award with the California Department of Public Health Tuberculosis Control Branch to support tuberculosis prevention and control activities for the period of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016 in the amount of \$13,810, increasing the total Fiscal Year 2015-16 award amount from \$169,201 to \$183,011.
- b) Determine that the above actions are government fiscal activities or funding mechanisms which do not involve any commitment to any specific project which may result in a potentially significant impact on the environment, and are therefore not a project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under section 15378(b)(4) of the CEQA guidelines.

Summary Text:

This item is on the agenda to accept an augmentation to the existing Tuberculosis Control Grant for FY 2015-16. The grant was approved at budget hearings as part of the CEO's Ongoing Grants List. On October 26, 2015 the Department was notified of a \$13,810 augmentation to be signed and returned by November 20, 2015. Because this increase raises the total amount over the 10% threshold for CEO authority, the Department requests that your Board approve and authorize the Public Health Director to execute the Acceptance Award.

Background:

Tuberculosis (TB) control is a core public health function to both treat individuals who are infected with TB and to protect the health of the community by preventing the spread of TB. Our local Tuberculosis Control Program works closely with the California Department of Public Health Tuberculosis Control Branch and the medical community within Santa Barbara County to control and eliminate tuberculosis. The State’s Tuberculosis Control Branch funds are used to support TB control activities and will be used in accordance with State policies and procedures.

Santa Barbara County, a medium morbidity jurisdiction, encounters an average of 24 active TB cases per year. In 2014, with our TB case rate of 6.6 per 100,000 population compared to California’s rate of 5.6, TB control remains a public health concern and priority. For each TB case encountered, the Public Health Disease Control staff may investigate and screen an average of 15-20 contacts per case in a typical household setting. In congregate settings, where extensive exposure has occurred, contact counts are significantly higher. This augmentation will allow funding for the TB program to replace laptops for public health staff to efficiently investigate TB incidents and enhance prompt diagnosis and treatment of individuals with TB and their infected contacts. Existing laptops used for TB field investigations need to be updated for compatibility with CalREDIE. CalREDIE is a computer application that the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) uses for mandatory web-based disease reporting and surveillance. Funding will also allow for TB training of new staff through the Regional Francis J. Curry Tuberculosis Center.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: No

Fiscal Analysis:

Executing an Acceptance of Award for the \$13,810 Augmentation will allow funding for the TB program to replace laptops and provide training.

The Public Health Department has sufficient Services and Supplies budget to incorporate the \$13,810 purchases and has concurrence with the County Executive Office and Auditors Office that a budget revision is not necessary at this time.

Key Contract Risks:

N/A

Staffing Impacts:

Legal Positions:

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FTEs:

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Special Instructions:

Please return an electronic copy of the Minute Order to the PHD Contracts Unit at phdcu@sbcpd.org.

Attachments:

- A. Revised Letter of Award – Base Award Augmentation for Funding Period July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016.

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