

SANTA BARBARA COUNTY BOARD AGENDA LETTER



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Agenda Number:
Prepared on:
Department Name: Social Services
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Continued Item: NO
If Yes, date from:

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Kathy Gallagher
Social Services Department

STAFF CONTACT: Coordinator (H. Damery, Interim)
KIDS Network, c/o DSS

SUBJECT: Promoting Safe and Stable Families Program, Revised Budget for 2004-05

Recommendation(s):

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Adopt a resolution approving the Revised Budget for 2004-05 for the Promoting Safe and Stable (PSSF) Program of Santa Barbara County.

Alignment with Board Strategic Plan: The recommendation(s) are primarily aligned with Goal 7: “A community that fosters the safety and well-being of families and children”.

Executive Summary and Discussion:

On May 7, 2002 the Board of Supervisors approved a Three Year Plan and Budget for the Promoting Safe and Stable Families Program (“PSSF”) for 2002-03 to 2004-05 in Santa Barbara County, as proposed by the Department of Social Services, with the KIDS Network Policy Council as the PSSF steering committee and the KIDS Network Advisory Committee as the community advisory body. At that time, the Board requested that the Department return in 2003, 2004 and 2005 with PSSF Budgets when each year’s PSSF allocation amounts are received from the State.

In County Fiscal Letter 04/05-06 dated August 11, 2004, the California Department of Social Services advised that our county’s PSSF Program allocation for 2004-05 had been increased as a result of the federal 2004 Budget Act. Santa Barbara County’s 2004-05 allocation was increased to \$535,769. This amount represents an increase of 24% over the prior fiscal year.

The attached Revised PSSF Budget for 2004-05 includes a description of how funds will be used without reductions to any of the existing commitments to the Family Support contracts which help support our county’s Healthy Start programs. After approving this budget on September 1, 2004, the KIDS Network

Policy Council has proposed that a committee be formed to review federal requirements and Santa Barbara County's PSSF allocation distribution in order to make recommendations for the next three year plan and budget to be developed beginning in April 2005.

Mandates and Service Levels:

No change

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

For the fiscal year 2004-05, Santa Barbara County has received a \$535,769 Title IV-B federal PSSF allocation from the California Department of Social Services, representing an increase of \$104,524 over the prior year. These funds and their associated appropriations have been included in the budget adjustment submitted to the Board by the Department of Social Services on November 9, 2004. There is no impact on the County General Fund.

Special Instructions:

After approval by the Board of Supervisors, please send two (2) certified copies of the Minute Order to the Department of Social Services, Attn: Coordinator, KIDS Network, c/o DSS-SM

Concurrence:

Auditor Controller

County Counsel

Attachments:

Resolution

Revised PSSF Budget for 2004-05

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF THE COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA,

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A REVISED 2004-05 BUDGET) RESOLUTION NO. 2004-
FOR THE PROMOTING SAFE AND STABLE FAMILIES)
PROGRAM OF SANTA BARBARA COUNTY)

Whereas the County of Santa Barbara Department of Social Services receives an annual allocation under federal Title IV-B from the California Department of Social Services for the purpose of carrying out the County's Three Year Plan for the Promoting Safe and Stable Families Program for 2002-03 to 2004-05 as approved by the Board of Supervisors on May 7, 2002, and

Whereas the Promoting Safe and Stable Families program funds Family Preservation, Time-limited Family Reunification, Adoption Promotion and Support and Family Support services provided through our county's Child Welfare Services and Healthy Start school-based and community-based programs, and

Whereas the attached revised PSSF budget for fiscal year 2004-05 reflects the increased allocation and will be forwarded to the California Department of Social Services,

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Supervisors does resolve as follows:

The County of Santa Barbara Board of Supervisors approves the attached Revised PSSF Budget for 2004-05 for the Promoting Safe and Stable Families Program. The budget was developed by the Department of Social Services in conjunction with the county's PSSF Advisory Body, the KIDS Network.

The Board of Supervisors authorizes the Department to submit the Revised PSSF Budget for 2004-05 to the California Department of Social Services.

The Department will return with a plan and budget for fiscal year 2005-06 after the PSSF allocation amount for that year has been received from the State.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California, this 23rd day of November, 2004 by the following vote:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSENT:
ABSTAIN:

COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

By _____

ATTEST:
MICHAEL BROWN
Clerk of the Board

JOSEPH CENTENO
Chair, Board of Supervisors

By _____

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

APPROVED AS TO ACCOUNTING FORM:

STEPHEN SHANE STARK
County Counsel

ROBERT GEIS
Auditor Controller

By _____

By _____

County of Santa Barbara
Promoting Safe and Stable Families (PSSF) Program
Revised PSSF Budget for 2004-05

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BUDGET NARRATIVE: The California Department of Social Services issued County Fiscal Letter No. 04/05-06 on August 11, 2004 announcing 2004-05 SFY allocations. Last year this funding was shifted from a Federal to a State Fiscal Year basis. The allocation for Santa Barbara County is \$535,769. DSS overhead is limited to 10% of the total allocation. At least 20% of the remaining funds must be allocated to each of four categories: Family Preservation Services; Family Support Services; Adoption Promotion and Support; and Time-Limited Family Reunification. This federal requirement began in 2002-03, and KIDS has been working for the past two years toward achieving this goal while at the same time maintaining the existing funding base for the contracted agencies providing Family Support Services.

PSSF Budget (2004-05 FY):		Percent:	Amount:
Total Allocation to Santa Barbara County:			\$535,769
Dept. of Social Services (DSS) Overhead		(10%)	53,577
Balance Available for Funding Services		100%	\$482,192
DSS/MISC Services Funded		61%	\$293,460
Adoption Promotion and Support Services - PRIDE (Code 675)		20%	96,000
Time-Limited Family Reunification in CWS & MISC (Code 676)		16%	79,460
Family Preservation – Front Porch Project (Code 515)		24%	118,000
Community Family Support Services Funded (Code 516)		39%	\$188,732
FS Contract Agencies:	Community Program Funded:		
Guadalupe District	Guadalupe Healthy Start	5%	26,510
Carpinteria District	Carpinteria Healthy Start	4%	17,009
Santa Barbara District	Santa Barbara Healthy Start	12%	59,682
People Helping People	SY Valley Healthy Start	4%	17,009
People Helping People	Los Alamos Healthy Start	3%	13,187
SMV Youth & Family Ctr.	Santa Maria Healthy Start	5%	24,397
Lompoc District	Lompoc Healthy Start	6%	30,938