

**SANTA BARBARA COUNTY
BOARD AGENDA LETTER**



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TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Roger E. Heroux, Director
Public Health Department

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Chronic Disease and Aging

SUBJECT: Multipurpose Senior Services Program (MSSP) Contract MS-0203-15

Recommendation(s):

That the Board of Supervisors:

- A. Execute Agreement between the California Department of Aging and the County of Santa Barbara, Public Health Department (PHD) for the Multipurpose Senior Services Program (MSSP) for Fiscal Year 02/03 in the amount of \$799,930.00
- B. Sign Certification to legally bind the PHD to the clauses: Statement of Compliance; Drug-Free Workplace Requirements; National Labor Relations Board Certification; Union Organizing; Conflict of Interest; and, Corporate Qualifications to do Business in California.

Alignment with Board Strategic Plan:

Goal No. 2. A Safe and Healthy Community in Which to Live, Work, and Visit

Goal No. 5. A High Quality of Life for All Residents

Executive Summary and Discussion:

The Multipurpose Senior Services Program (MSSP) provides both social and health case management for frail elderly clients who are: sixty-five (65) years or older, Medi-Cal recipients, certifiable for placement in a Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF), and who wish to remain in their own living environments. This program is a cost-effective alternative to the high cost of long-term institutional care. Cost effectiveness is defined as the program's ability to provide community-based care for clients which is below 95% of the average monthly public cost of an SNF or an Intermediate Care Facility (ICF). Case Management

activities include identification and coordination of existing services for the MSSP clients, as well as the ability to purchase additional services which enable the individual to remain at home. Purchased services may include, but is not limited to, respite for caregivers, in-home assistance on weekends, escort transportation to medical appointments, home delivered meals, purchase of emergency response systems, and minor home repairs or maintenance.

Mandates and Service Levels:

This is a non-mandated program. Acceptance of the MSSP Agreement obligates the County to comply with the applicable statutes: Home and Community-Based Waiver Program, Section 1915 (c) of the Social Security Act. The MSSP program was established by Chapter 1434, Statutes of 1982. Additionally, Chapter 1318, Statutes of 1989, authorized the program to remain in effect so long as a federal waiver has been granted. Service levels continue to be approximately two hundred (200) frail elderly residents of Santa Barbara County per month.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

There is no projected use of general fund dollars for this program. This is a revenue agreement that allows the County of Santa Barbara to draw funds from the State of California for services to this target population. The California Department of Aging will reimburse this County \$799,930.00 for the costs of this program for Fiscal Year 02/03. This agreement provides for reimbursement of 2.68% of salaries and benefits (\$15,420) for indirect costs. Since the Public Health Departmental indirect cost rate is currently 17.25% of all expenditures, it is anticipated that the uncovered amount of approximately 14.57% of the total expenditures (\$119,907) will be recovered by participation in the Targeted Case Management (TCM) program for the Medi-Cal client population. Funding for this program is included as part of the Recommended Fiscal Year 02/03 Public Health Department Budget.

This Agreement will not result in any additional need for facilities.

Fund: 0042 Budget Unit: 041 Program: 1505 Account: 3787

Special Instructions:

Please call Susan Lindman at extension 5452 to pick up the four (4) original signed Standard Agreements, four (4) Certified Minute Orders referencing the agreement number MS-0203-15, and the original signed Certification.

Concurrence:

None required