

FUNDING REQUESTS FROM OUTSIDE AGENCIES

Process Review

County of Santa Barbara
Board of Supervisors Hearing
May 23, 2016



Summary

In March, the Board directed staff to maintain existing process and have standard application with following:

- Notice of Final Submission Request Date with no exceptions – May 2nd
 - Funds may not be available
 - Applicants be present at the June hearing, but not required
 - Describe need and use of funds in application
 - Have placeholder for Departmental comments
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- To continue flexibility, the Board chose not to create a new grant program nor merge the requests into the Human Services Commission grant program



Results

- More requests were received than expected:
 - 50 applications were received from 46 agencies, totaling \$1,660,168.
 - 12 general applications, not previously reviewed by Human Services Commission, \$588,000
 - 38 Human Services related applications, \$1,072,000
- FY 2015-16 budget process:
 - 13 requests were received asking for a total of \$570,000.
 - The current funding requests are a 191% increase over FY 2015-16.
 - Average Request: the Board has annually granted \$323,000 since FY 2010-11.



Next Steps

- Staff will provide comments, as appropriate, on the requests selected to be presented in June
- Identification of requests at this stage does not guarantee funding or presuppose the Board's approval of funding for these agencies at the June hearing;
- Identifies which requests will be reviewed and proposed for consideration at the June hearings.



Recommended Actions (Options)

- i. Option 1: Return with all received applications
- ii. Option 2: Identify specific applications
- iii. Option 3: Board identify no more than four applications each (up to 20 total)
- iv. Option 4: Review only applications that have not previously requested funding of the Human Services Commission (12 total)
- v. Provide other direction to staff as appropriate.

