

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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> **Department Name:** General

> > Services/Purchasing

Division

Department No.: 063

For Agenda Of: August 26, 2008 Placement: Set Hearing

Estimated Tme: 30 min. on Sept16th Continued Item: Select Continued

If Yes, date from:

Vote Required: Select_Vote

TO: **Board of Supervisors**

FROM: Department Name & Phone Robert Nisbet 560-1010

Director(s)

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SUBJECT: **Local Vendor Outreach Program**

County Counsel Concurrence

Auditor-Controller Concurrence As to form: Select_Concurrence As to form: Select_Concurrence

Other Concurrence: Select_Other As to form: Select_Concurrence

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors set September 16th 2008 to receive an annual report on the Local Vendor Outreach Program.

Summary Text: The County spent 57.2% of it's discretionary spending for goods and services with vendors located within Santa Barbara County, cycling \$91.6 million back through the local economy. This represents an increase of \$3.7 million dollars, a 1.6% increase over last year.

Background: Since 1993, the Purchasing Division of General Services has conducted a program to encourage increasing the amount of tax dollars spent with local vendors. The program has had two complimentary foci. First, to encourage County Departments to use Local Vendors when possible and to always consider them when purchasing goods and services; Second, to assist Local Vendors and encourage them to participate in our bid process by making it easy to use and as understandable as possible.

This year, the County will revive the Co-op (Committee to Optimize Public Purchasing) consisting of many of the local public agencies who will meet with all interested vendors to assist them in doing business with government. The first vendor conference will be held in this room on Monday, October 20th.

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<u>Performance Measure:</u> The County shall expend 60% of its discretionary dollars for purchases of goods and services with local vendors.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Select_Budgeted Fiscal Analysis: Narrative:

Staffing Impacts:

Special Instructions:

None

Attachments:

PowerPoint presentation.

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