



**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER**

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: Board of Supervisors
Department No.: 011
For Agenda Of: June 10, 2025
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Time:
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Steve Lavagnino, Fifth District Office
Director(s)
Contact Info: Cory Bantilan, Chief of Staff (805) 680-2226
SUBJECT: Contribution of Fifth District Discretionary Funds to Transitions-Mental Health Association

CB for SL

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Approve and authorize the contribution of \$5,000 to Transitions-Mental Health Association, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit (EIN # 95-3509040), from the Fifth District General County Programs Department 990 discretionary fund;
- b) Find that the project provides a community benefit that meets the social needs of the County; and
- c) Determine that the above actions are organizational or administrative activities of the government that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment and are not a project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to section 15378(b)(5) of the CEQA Guidelines.

Summary Text:

This action will authorize a \$5,000 contribution to Transitions-Mental Health Association for the Growing Grounds Farm in Santa Maria. A combination of vocational training and therapeutic horticulture, the farm provides a disenfranchised population with true employment opportunities. For 25 years, it has accomplished the goal of providing employment and training for clients.

Background:

Upon adoption of the County’s FY 2023-24 Budget, each supervisorial office was allocated \$100,000 of discretionary funding to direct toward projects and/or programs in the County in need of funding. These funding requests must be approved by the full Board of Supervisors.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

Fiscal Analysis:

<u>Funding Sources</u>	<u>Current FY Cost:</u>	<u>Annualized On-going Cost:</u>	<u>Total One-Time Project Cost</u>
General Fund	\$ 5,000.00		\$ 5,000.00
State			
Federal			
Fees			
Other:			
Total	\$ 5,000.00	\$ -	\$ 5,000.00

Attachments:

Attachment A: T-MHA Funding Application

Authored by:

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