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From: Doug Fenske <dkfenske@aol.com>
Sent: Sunday, April 16, 2017 1:33 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: RE: Funding for AOT (aka Laura's Law) Pilot Program

As family members of an individual that will be affected (potentially devastated) by your decision on the above program, and as citizens, and long term (40 year) residents of Santa Barbara, we ask that you **not** withdraw funds from the AOT Program. We believe that It is our responsibility, as **citizens**, to take care of those who cannot take care of themselves!! Almost everyone knows someone (a friend, family member, or neighbor) who is handicapped in one way or another, be it physical or health limitations, mental illness, substance use disorders, or dual diagnosis, and the pain, suffering and isolation that goes with that!! A suffering that encompasses not only the affected individual, but often an enduring family that works so diligently to assist and support them. Please consider this plea, on behalf of ourselves, and the multitude of family members like us, who will be deeply affected when you make your decision. Thank you!

Best Regards,
CCSB / Concerned Citizens of Santa Barbara