

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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Department Name: Social Services

Department No.: 044
For Agenda Of: 3/24/20

Placement: Administrative

If Yes, date from:

Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Department Daniel Nielson, Social Services Director

Director(s) (805) 346-7101

Contact Info: Amy Krueger, Deputy Director Adult and Children Services (805)

346-8227

SUBJECT: Resolution for Authorization to Apply for and Accept State Funding for

Transitional Housing Program

County Counsel Concurrence

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: N/A As to form: Select_Concurrence

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Adopt a Resolution authorizing the Director of the Department of Social Services, or his designee, to (1) apply for and accept the Transitional Housing Program allocation award from the State of California, Department of Housing and Community Development for the Transitional Housing Program; and (2) execute and submit to the California Department of Housing and Community Development all required or deemed necessary or appropriate grant documents and amendments; and
- b) Determine that the approval of the recommended action is not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15378(b) (5), since the recommended action is a government administrative activity which does not involve commitment to any specific project which may result in potentially significant physical impact on the environment.

Summary Text:

The Department of Social Services (DSS) will be allocated \$75,200 from the State of California, Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) to provide the Transitional Housing Program in Santa Barbara County.

Background:

On June 27, 2019, Governor Newsom signed Senate Bill (SB) 80, the budget trailer bill that provides \$8 million annually to reduce homelessness among California's former foster youth. The purpose of the funding through SB 80 requires the newly available funding to be used to help young adults between the ages of 18 years and up to 24 years old secure and maintain housing. SB 80 requires that priority for the funding be given to young adults formerly in the state's foster care or probation systems. The DSS will be allocated funds to assist in those efforts in Santa Barbara County.

Use of funds may include, but are not limited to:

- 1. Identify and assist housing services for this population;
- 2. Assist this population to secure and maintain housing with priority given to the state's foster care or probation system;
- 3. Improve coordination of services and linkages to community resources within the child welfare system and the Homeless Continuum of Care; and
- 4. Provide engagement in outreach and targeting to serve those with the most severe needs.

As a requirement to apply for and accept the allocation, applicants must submit a signed Resolution to HCD.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

There are no fiscal impacts for the submittal of an application for transitional housing program funds.

Key Contract Risks:

None

Special Instructions:

Please scan and send two (2) duplicate original Resolution, and a copy of the minute order by <u>March 27</u>, **2020** to:

DSS Contracts Unit C/O Tricia Beebe 2125 S. Centerpointe Parkway, 3rd Floor Santa Maria, CA 93455

Attachments:

- 1. Attachment 1 Resolution Transitional Housing Program
- 2. Attachment 2 Santa Barbara County THP Allocation Acceptance Form

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