



# County of Monterey

Item No.

## Board Report

Board of Supervisors  
Chambers  
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Salinas, CA 93901

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Approve an expenditure of \$7,000 from the Board of Supervisors (District 3) discretionary fund to reimburse the Monterey County Agricultural & Rural Life Museum (MCARLM) for internship program expansion, including educational travel opportunities for high school participants.

### RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors:

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### SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

The Monterey County Agricultural & Rural Life Museum (MCARLM), located in King City, preserves and celebrates Monterey County's agricultural heritage through exhibits, tours, events, and educational opportunities. MCARLM's mission supports community education by helping students and visitors understand the traditions, innovations, and history that have shaped Monterey County's agricultural and rural communities.

This request authorizes reimbursement of \$7,000 to MCARLM for costs associated with expanding internship opportunities beyond the local level, including a proposed Washington, D.C. study trip. The trip will provide high school student interns with meaningful exposure to national institutions, museums, and historical sites, including the Smithsonian museums, enhancing their educational experience and broadening their understanding of history, culture, and public service.

### PUBLIC PURPOSE FINDINGS:

In approving this expenditure, the Board of Supervisors finds that the expenditure is for a public purpose and the transaction is not prohibited by Article XVI, Section 6 of the California Constitution. Any benefit to an individual is incidental to the significant public purpose identified in the description above.

### FINANCING:

There is no impact to the General Fund. Funds will be allocated from the District 3's discretionary budget.

### BOARD OF SUPERVISORS STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS:

This action supports youth education, cultural enrichment, and preservation of Monterey County's agricultural and rural history by providing high school student interns with expanded learning

opportunities and exposure to national historical and cultural institutions.

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Prepared and Approved by: Supervisor Christopher Lopez, District 3

Attachments: 1: Invoice