



Comprehensive Discussion on Select Board Referrals


Board of Supervisors

April 25, 2023

April 18, 2023
Report re:
planning &
potential
implementation of
Storm Recovery
Rent Subsidy

Directed to return for a comprehensive discussion and recommended options for Board consideration.

- 2023.04 (Alejo) Storm Recovery Rent-Subsidy Program for Farmworkers
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- 2021.04 (Alejo/Lopez) Monterey County COVID Funeral & Burial Assistance Program
- 2023.07 (Church) Reallocation of Monterey County Funeral & Burial Assistance Program funds
- 2023.08 (Alejo) Monterey County COVID Funeral & Burial Assistance Program Extension



Storm Recovery Rent-Subsidy Program for Farmworkers

2023.04 (Alejo) Storm Recovery Rent-Subsidy Program for Farmworkers

- Explored Rent Subsidy Program for farmworkers negatively impacted by January 2023 storms
- Once state and federal financial assistance became available, it was recommended the referral be updated to encompass “low-income households” impacted by weather disaster events (January/March)
- \$378,000 in contingency funds for rental assistance



Recommended Action “a.”


Changes Storm Recovery Rent-Subsidy Program for Farmworkers to “Storm Recovery Subsidy Program for Low-Income Households”

Requires 4/5 vote to use Contingency funds (\$378K) for:
New agreement with Catholic Charities (\$198,000) &
Amendment to Agreement with United Way (adds \$180,000)

COVID
Funeral &
Burial
Assistance
Program

2021.04 (Alejo/Lopez) Monterey County COVID Funeral & Burial Assistance Program

- Program to assist eligible, low-income families with funeral/burial expenses due to COVID
- Agreement with Ventures for administrative work and pass-through payments (\$350,000); 1/20/20-12/31/22
- No funds expended



Reallocation
of
Unexpended
Funeral Burial
Assistance
Program

2023.07 (Church) Reallocation of Funeral & Burial Assistance Program funds

- Seeks to **reallocate \$350,000** in unexpended funds to provide **general assistance to low-income individuals** affected by March flooding events in communities of Pájaro & San Ardo

2023.08 (Alejo) COVID Funeral & Burial Assistance Program Extension

- Seeks to **continue COVID Funeral & Burial Assistance** Program with **\$100,000** and **allocate \$250,000** to supplement the proposed **rental assistance program**

Recommended Action

“b.”:

Receive brief verbal report from Director of Department of Emergency Management





Recommended Action “b.”

EITHER

Option 1: *Requires 4/5 vote*, to retain \$100K for **funeral & burial program**; reassign \$250K to augment **rental assistance program**; retroactively amend Agt. with Ventures to add \$100K; and, have staff return to add \$125K to Agts. with Catholic Charities & United Way

Option 2: *Requires 4/5 vote*, to reassign \$350K to **address needs of low-income people in Pájaro & San Ardo** who did not qualify for the FEMA; and, have staff return to add \$175K to Agts. with Catholic Charities & United Way

In summary, 4/5 Vote Necessary

- ▶ As to recommended action a.: use Contingency funds (\$378K) for New Agreement with Catholic Charities (\$198,000) & Amendment to Agreement with United Way (adds \$180,000)

As to recommended action b.: EITHER

- ▶ Option 1: retain \$100K for funeral & burial program; reassign \$250K to augment rental assistance program; retroactively amend Agt. with Ventures to add \$100K; and, have staff return to add \$125K to Agts. with Catholic Charities & United Way

OR

- ▶ Option 2: reassign \$350K to address needs of low-income people in Pájaro & San Ardo who did not qualify for the FEMA; and, have staff return to add \$175K to Agts. with Catholic Charities & United Way