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Authorize and direct the Auditor-Controller to amend the FY 2019-20 Adopted Budget to increase appropriations and estimated revenues by \$434,076 for Community Programs, 001-5010-SOC004-8258, financed by Homeless Housing Assistance and Prevention Emergency grant fund (4/5th vote required).

<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors authorize and direct the Auditor-Controller to amend the FY 2019-20 Adopted Budget to increase appropriations and estimated revenues by \$434,076 for the Community Programs, 001-5010-SOC004-8258, financed by Homeless Housing Assistance and Prevention Emergency grant fund (4/5th vote required).

SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

The Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) was signed into law on July 31, 2019 by Governor Gavin Newsom. The Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention is a \$650 million one-time block grant that provides local jurisdictions with funds to support regional coordination and expand or develop local capacity to address immediate homelessness challenges.

On March 19, 2020 Governor Newsom issued, a Stay at Home Executive Order to protect the health and well-being of all Californians to establish consistency across the state in order to slow the spread of COVID-19.

On March 23, 2020, the County of Monterey received an award letter from the State notifying the County of an emergency allocation of \$434,076 in HHAP funds to assist expediting providing shelter, meals and sanitary services to the County's homeless population.

Staff is requesting the Board approve an increase in appropriations and revenue in the Community Programs, 001-5010-SOC004-8258, financed by the emergency allocation of HHAP funds in the amount of \$434,076

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

On March 2, 2020 the Monterey County Emergency Operations Center was activated to due to COVID-19. Multiple departments across the County are working collaboratively to identify needed resources to address the impacts COVID-19 is having on the County's homeless population. The award of \$434,076 in emergency HHAP funds will be used to help offset the costs for providing shelter, meals, and sanitary services to the County's homeless population during this pandemic.

FINANCING:

The receipt of \$434,076 in emergency HHAP funds will directly offset the costs for providing services to the County's homeless population during the COVID-19 pandemic. Staff is recommending the Board approve an increase in the FY 2019-20 Adopted Budget to increase appropriations and estimated revenues by \$434,076 for the Community Programs, 001-5010-SOC004-8258, financed by an emergency allocation of HHAP grant funds. The above action requires a 4/5th vote.

STRATEGIC INITIATIVES:

The housing program priorities and objectives advance the Board of Supervisors Strategic Initiatives that promote the production of diverse, safe, healthy and affordable housing opportunities for all residents of Monterey County. The HHAP COVID- 19 Emergency Homelessness Funding block grant program is designated to specifically address the homeless crisis in the State and County.

- X Economic Development
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- X Public Safety

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Attachments:

Attachment A - HHAP Emergency Allocation Award Letter