



Monterey County Board of Supervisors

Board Order

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A motion was made by Supervisor John M. Phillips, seconded by Supervisor Chris Lopez to:

Adopt Resolution No.: 21-351

- a. Authorize the County of Monterey to participate in the State Rental Assistance Program - 2; and
- b. Authorize the Director of Social Services to act on behalf of the County in connection with the State Rental Assistance Program - 2 block grant award and to enter into, execute, and deliver any and all documents required or deemed necessary or appropriate to be awarded for the State Rental Assistance Program - 2, and all amendments.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this 12th day of October 2021, by roll call vote:

AYES: Supervisors Alejo, Phillips, Lopez, Askew and Adams
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
(Government Code 54953)

I, Valerie Ralph, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Monterey, State of California, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of an original order of said Board of Supervisors duly made and entered in the minutes thereof of Minute Book 82 for the meeting October 12, 2021.

Dated: October 14, 2021
Revised Date: October 19, 2021
File ID: RES 21-176
Agenda Item No.: 18

Valerie Ralph, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
County of Monterey, State of California


Julian Lorenzana, Deputy

*Before the Board of Supervisors in and for the
County of Monterey, State of California*

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WHEREAS, On March 11, 2021, the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Pub.L. No. 117-2) (“**ARPA**”) was signed into law. Section 3201 of ARPA established the federal Emergency Rental Assistance Program (“**ERA2**”) and authorized the direct allocation of emergency rental assistance funds to states, the District of Columbia, units of local government, and territories. The ERA2 funds are intended to assist low-income households that have experienced financial hardship due to the COVID-19 pandemic, are unable to pay for rent and utilities, and are at risk of experiencing homelessness or housing stability.

WHEREAS, California Assembly Bill No. 832 (2021-2022 Reg. Sess.) (“**AB 832**”) established the State of California’s program for administering its share of ERA2 funds (the “**SRA2**,” “**State Rental Assistance Program – 2**,” or “**SRA2 Funds**”). AB 832 amended Chapter 17 (commencing with Section 50897) of Part 2 of Division 31 of the Health and Safety Code. Health and Safety Code section 50897.1, subdivision (a)(1) authorizes the Department of Housing and Community Development (the “**Department**”) to administer the SRA2 Funds in accordance with state and federal law.

WHEREAS, On January 26, 2021, The County of Monterey (“**Locality**”) received an allocation of ERA2 funds from the U.S. Department of the Treasury (“**Treasury**”) in the amount of \$10,211,429.00 (such amount, the Locality’s “**Direct ERA2 Allocation**”).

WHEREAS, Locality plans to administer its Direct ERA2 Allocation, and acknowledges that the Direct ERA2 Allocation is subject to the requirements of ARPA and the Treasury interpretive guidance, and to all such requirements as may be subsequently amended.

WHEREAS, Locality desires to receive an allocation of SRA2 Funds pursuant to Health and Safety Code section 50897.2.1, subdivision (a)(1) or (2) (such allocation, a “**Round 2 Block Grant Award**”). Locality submitted its request for a Round 2 Block Grant Award to the Department in accordance with Health and Safety Code section 50897.2.1, subdivision (c)(1).

WHEREAS, Locality acknowledges that every Round 2 Block Grant Award is subject to state and federal requirements, including, without limitation, the requirements of AB 832 and the Department’s guidelines, the relevant requirements of ARPA and the Treasury’s interpretive guidance, and all such requirements as may be subsequently amended (collectively, the “**Round 2 Block Grant Award Requirements**”).

WHEREAS, Locality further acknowledges that every Round 2 Block Grant Award is subject to the terms and conditions of a Department-approved STD 213, Standard Agreement (“**Standard Agreement**”), all other documents required or deemed necessary or appropriate UNDER STATE OR FEDERAL LAW to allocate the Round 2 Block Grant Award, and all amendments thereto (collectively, the “**Round 2 Block Grant Award Documents**”).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for the County of Monterey as follows:

- a. Locality is hereby authorized and directed to accept a Round 2 Block Grant Award in a total amount not to exceed \$20,000,000.
- b. Locality is hereby authorized and directed to enter into, execute, and deliver the Round 2 Block Grant Award Documents, which shall include a Standard Agreement in a total amount not to exceed \$20,000,000.
- c. Locality is hereby authorized and directed to assume responsibility for administering the Round 2 Block Grant Award in accordance with all Round 2 Block Grant Award Requirements.
- d. Lori A. Medina, Director of Monterey County Department of Social Services is authorized to execute the Round 2 Block Grant Award Documents on behalf of the Locality for participation in the State Rental Assistance Program – 2.
- e. Lori A. Medina, Director of Monterey County Department of Social Services is authorized to act on behalf of the County in connection with the State Rental Assistance Program – 2 block grant award and to enter into, execute, and deliver any and all documents required or deemed necessary or appropriate to be awarded for the State Rental Assistance Program – 2, and all amendments.

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