



County of Monterey

Board of Supervisors
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Board Report

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Approve and authorize the Chair to sign Department of Social Services CY 2014-2015 Community Action Plan.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors:

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SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

The Monterey County Community Action Plan (Plan) provides the Community Action Partnership with goals, outcome objectives, and strategies to address the needs of the low income population in Monterey County in CY 2014-2015. The Plan is required by the California Department of Community Services and Development (CSD) in order to receive the annual Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) federal funding allocation. CSBG funds are used to provide services to low income people in Monterey County. County generated Homeless Funds and Domestic Violence Trust Funds are also under the auspices of the Community Action Partnership, and planning for allocation of these funds is included in the Plan.

The Plan is a two-year strategic plan that describes how the Community Action Partnership complies with federal and state mandates, details specific goals, outcome objectives, service delivery strategies, and evaluation. It emphasizes close coordination with public assistance programs within the Department of Social Services (DSS) to assist in delivery of supportive services to help low income families attain and maintain self-sufficiency. The Plan emphasizes the importance of community collaboration, and reflects the best available program information based on the Community Action Partnership Planning Process. Currently, funding is distributed based on poverty rates to community providers through collaborative and sole source subcontracts serving the four major regions of the County (Salinas, South County, North County, and Monterey Peninsula). The Plan assumes the CY 2014-2015 funding allocation will be decreased by approximately 5% due to Federal Sequestration. All fiscal resources indicated in the Plan are subject to final appropriation by local, state, and federal funding sources.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

The CSD established the format of the Plan. The Community Action Commission approved the plan at the April 15, 2013 meeting. The DSS concurs with the proposed services. The Plan includes assurances required by CSBG federal regulations and respective government codes pertaining to coordination between anti-poverty programs, the CalWORKs Employment Services program, and the Workforce Investment Board, and assures minimum service requirements.

FINANCING:

This is a planning document only. There is no impact to the County General Fund.

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Attachments:

Original on file with the Clerk of the Board
Monterey County Community Action Plan 2014-2015