



County of Monterey

Board of Supervisors
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Board Report

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DISCUSSION:

In March of 2021, one of the first formal MOUs adopted between the Monterey County Free Libraries and the Alliance on Aging was put into place so that the Alliance could continue to use public library spaces during COVID to offer critical tax preparation services to Monterey County older adults. The partnership is ongoing and serving both agencies, and the residents of Monterey County well.

The goal of revising the MOU at this time is to expand the ability of Monterey County Free Libraries to host services offered from the Alliance, encompassing such things as public programs and workshops free of charge in County library facilities. In addition, much of the COVID specific language is now out of date, and is replaced with general safety language. Other language changes throughout the MOU are recommended by County Counsel, in alignment with other current MOUs.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

County Counsel has reviewed and approved the MOU as to legal form. A copy of the MOU will be placed on file with Clerk of the Board.

FINANCING:

The MOU contains no financial provisions between the two agencies, and will not impact the General Fund.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS STRATEGIC INITIATIVES:

The proposed revisions on Memorandum of Understanding with Alliance on Aging will allow MCFL to utilize staffing resources and tools to enhance library programs.

- Economic Development
- Administration
- Health & Human Services
- Infrastructure
- Public Safety

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Attachments:

2023 MOU between the Alliance on Aging and County of Monterey

2021 MOU between the Alliance on Aging and Monterey County Free Libraries