



## Board Report

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors:

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**SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:**

The Department of Social Services has a number of programs supported with federal and state funds on a continuing basis that require separate state agreements for various funding cycles. In preparing the Fiscal Year (FY) 2020-21 Recommended Budget, the Department has compiled a list (Attachment A) of federal and state programs currently receiving funds. These programs expect continued funding through FY 2020-21 and Calendar Year (CY) 2021. The state agencies administering these funds may require an application, and all require a signed agreement to be returned within 30 days of receipt of the standard state agreement.

California Department of Community Service Development (CDCSD) contracts with the Community Action Partnership as a pass-through agency for these federal funds. This agreement provides funding to our community non-profit programs for low-income individuals to provide various services such as: housing; gang awareness/parent education; youth engagement activities; counseling; and food access. The State combined the discretionary grant with the regular calendar grant for data collection. This funding is received on a calendar year cycle and the current CY2020 agreement is for a total of \$542,682 for a term of January 1, 2020 through May 31, 2021. The Department recommends approval for CY2021 agreement estimated at the same funding level as the current year for the term of January 1, 2021 through May 31, 2022.

Additionally, there are various agreements from the California Department of Aging that fund non-profit agencies that provide senior support services such as: Health Insurance Counseling and Advocacy; Ombudsman; family caregiver support; home-delivered and congregate meals; nutrition education; legal assistance; information, referral and assistance; health promotion; and outreach within Monterey County. The Department recommends approval of the following agreements:

- a) The Title III/VII agreement is funded under the Older Americans Act and the Older Californians Act for the period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021 is estimated to be \$2,021,639;
- b) The Health Insurance and Counseling Advocacy Program (HICAP) agreement that provides education and information on health insurance for seniors for the period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2023 estimated at \$845,407;
- c) The Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act (MIPPA) provides enhanced outreach and enrollment assistance to eligible Medicare beneficiaries regarding Medicare benefits for the period of September 30, 2020 through September 29, 2021 estimated at \$28,808; and
- d) The SNAP-Education agreement that provides nutritional education and exercise activities to seniors for the period of October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021 estimated at \$92,001.

Approval of the recommended action allows the Director of Social Services to execute standard agreements and applications for renewed funding for designated programs within the State required turnaround of 30-days. These are standardized State agreements for grants awarded under essentially identical terms as prior years. This process reduces the number of annual Board reports and allows for timely submission of applications and State agreements.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

County Counsel will continue to approve each standard agreement as to form before the Department signs and returns the agreement to the State agency.

FINANCING:

Appropriations and estimated revenues related to Attachment A have been incorporated into the FY 2020-21 Recommended Budget.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS STRATEGIC INITIATIVES:

This action correlates to the Administration and Health & Human Services Strategic Initiative adopted by the Board of Supervisors by allowing the Department to continue to receive State and federal funding to provide programs and services to the residents of the County.

Mark a check to the related Board of Supervisors Strategic Initiatives:

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

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Attachments: Attachment A