

County of Monterey

Board of Supervisors Chambers 168 W. Alisal St., 1st Floor Salinas, CA 93901

Board Report

File #: RES 20-166, Version: 1

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RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors:

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SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

The Monterey County Office of Education (MCOE) and Monterey County (County) collaborate in many programs throughout the community. The County received Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) funds as part of the \$2.2 trillion economic stimulus passed by the U.S. Congress. These funds were allocated to the State of California which allocated \$44.9 million to the COUNTY to help the COUNTY with its response to the COVID19 Pandemic.

The County Board of Supervisors (Board) approved (August 18, 2020) using \$1,000,000 of the CARES Act funding received by the County to fund digital divide purchases to be made by MCOE for the purpose of helping students in Monterey County schools who as a result of the pandemic do not have access to technology enabling them to access educational resources remotely. Execution of this agreement enables the reimbursement of funds to MCOE as approved by the Board. The MOU has a retroactive date to allow for immediate purchases of technology for County's students and allows for an advance payment to MCOE of \$1,000,000 for cash flow purposes. A reconciliation of actual expenditures will occur to ensure all allocated funds were spent for the approved purpose.

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OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

The MOU has been approved by the Office of County Counsel-Risk Management as to legal form and risk provisions, and by the Auditor-Controller as to fiscal terms.

FINANCING:

This agreement is fully funded by CARES. Approval of this item has no financial impact to the General Fund.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS STRATEGIC INITIATIVES:

This recommendation supports the Board of Supervisors Strategic Initiatives of: a) Health and Human Services by improving quality of life and providing a healthy environment for children and youth; and b) Public Safety by encouraging students to achieve their potential through education.

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Approved by: Dewayne Woods, Assistant County Administrative Officer, ext. 5309

Attachments: CARES MOU -Monterey County and MCOE; Resolution