



Board Report

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b. Authorize the Director of the Department of Social Services to sign up to three (3) amendments to each of these agreements where the total amendments do not exceed 10% of each contract amount and do not significantly change the scope of work.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors:

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b. Authorize the Director of the Department of Social Services to sign up to three (3) amendments to each of these agreements where the total amendments do not exceed 10% of each contract amount and do not significantly change the scope of work.

SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

The Monterey County Community Action Partnership (MCCAP) within the Department of Social Services (DSS) administers federal community service block grant (CSBG) funds allocated to the county by the California State Department of Community Services and Development (CSD). MCCAP seeks approval to amend the agency contracts to distribute 2020-21 CARES Act and 2021 CSBG funds allocated to the County. The purpose of these amendments is to streamline overlapping CSBG contracts and meet the intent of the CARES Act CSBG funding, which is to facilitate urgent local responses to the effects COVID-19 on low income individuals and families.

MCCAP directs CSBG funds and leverages county resources to support nutrition, emergency shelters, youth and DV shelters, housing support, services for seniors, youth and family counseling, rental support, financial education, and youth employment services. In total, MCCAP currently oversees eleven 2020 contracts with agencies that provide critical services for very low-income residents throughout Monterey County. These agencies were identified and chosen for the 2020-2021 CSBG term via a competitive process to address local service needs resulting from the biennial Community Needs Assessment (CNA). Subcontractors are currently in the first year of an RFP approved two-year funding cycle. Additionally, MCCAP was awarded supplemental CSBG funds through the CARES Act, which can be utilized from July 1, 2020 through December 31, 2021. On August 25, 2020, MCDSS secured board approval for the local plan developed to secure and administer CSBG supplemental funding in the amount of \$699,580. The approved plan involves distributing CSBG CARES Act funding to the eleven agencies that have 2020 MCCAP contracts with MCDSS for services provided to the county's most vulnerable residents.

MCCAP seeks authorization to amend the six (6) 2020 contracts below to add CSBG CARES Act funding of \$294,000, effectively July 1, 2020 through December 31, 2021, and adding the regular 2021 CSBG allocation of \$260,000 for a term of January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021. This extends the existing agreement term out an additional term. The Department is recommending the following contracts be amended:

Name	Original Contract CY 2020	Adding CSBG -CARES	Adding CSBG 2021	Revised Contract Total	Service Description
Alliance on Aging	\$40,000	\$65,000	\$40,000	\$145,000	Tax Prep and Counseling
North County Recreation Parks District	\$50,000	\$85,000	\$50,000	\$185,000	Youth Services
Partnership for Children	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$120,000	Housing & Shelter Services
Harmony at Home	\$40,000	\$24,000	\$40,000	\$104,000	Health & Social / Behavioral Development
Turning Point of Central California	\$40,000	\$30,000	\$40,000	\$110,000	Employment Support Services
United Way Monterey County	\$41,146	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$141,146	Financial Literacy Education
Total	\$251,146	\$294,000	\$260,000	\$805,146	

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

CSBG funding requires intergovernmental coordination, including adherence to state and federal reporting requirements. Development and implementation of the CSBG local plan requires departmental coordination, both within DSS and across the county, and amongst the county's network of service providers.

The Auditor-Controller and Purchasing have reviewed and approved this agreement. County Counsel has approved the agreement as to form.

FINANCING:

These amendments are funded with federal CSBG and CSBG CARES Act funds. There are sufficient appropriations and estimated revenues for SOC007 included in the FY 2020-21 Adopted Budget.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS STRATEGIC INITIATIVES:

This agreement correlates with the Health & Human Services Strategic Initiatives 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:

Alliance on Aging - Original Agreement and Proposed Amendment #1
North County Recreations Parks District - Original Agreement and Proposed Amendment #1
Partnership for Children - Original Agreement and Proposed Amendment #1
Harmony at Home - Original Agreement and Proposed Amendment #1
Turning Point of Central California - Original Agreement and Proposed Amendment #1
United Way Monterey County - Original Agreement, Amendment #1, and Proposed Amendment #1

Proposed agreements are on file with the Clerk of the Board as an attachment to this Board Report.