



County of Monterey

Board of Supervisors
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Board Report

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RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors:

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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 directs CSBG funds to support a variety of services within Monterey County. Service priorities are identified through the bi-annual Community Action Plan process which includes community input. Contractors are selected through a competitive Request for Proposals (RFP) process.

This agreement will fund food distribution to low-income residents of Monterey County. Providing the County's most vulnerable residents with sufficient healthy food will enable them to function better in all aspects of their lives, reduce food insecurity and promote improved health and nutrition. Over the last year, the Food Bank provided over 35 million pounds of food, half of it fresh produce, to the working poor, veterans, persons with disabilities, seniors, children, struggling families, or those unnecessarily impacted by a catastrophic accident, severe illness or family emergency. Demand for services greatly increased due to COVID-19 and the need for food remains high.

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 has reviewed and approved this Agreement. County Counsel has approved the agreement as to form.

FINANCING:

This agreement is funded with federal CSBG funds. Sufficient appropriations and estimated revenues for Social Services Community Action Partnership Fund 008-5010-SOC007 are included in the FY2021-22 Adopted

Budget. Funding for future years will be incorporated in the corresponding budget process.

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 very-low-income residents of the County.

Check the related Board of Supervisors Strategic Initiatives:

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

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Attachments: Agreement

Proposed agreement is on file with the Clerk of the Board as an attachment to this Board Report