



County of Monterey

Item No.22

Board Report

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

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Consent

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- a. Approve and authorize the Agricultural Commissioner to sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Salinas Valley Fair, ("SVF"), not to exceed \$25,000 to provide support of agricultural education efforts in Monterey County, and;
- b. Authorize the Auditor-Controller to make payments in accordance with the terms of the MOU.

RECOMMENDATION:

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SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

Since FY 2009-10 the County Board of Supervisors has directed the Agricultural Commissioner's Office to provide support of agricultural education efforts in Monterey County. The intent was to collaborate for mutual benefit with respect to agricultural education programs and activities, more specifically programs and activities directly related to pest management and control, quarantine and invasive species activities, pesticide use and enforcement, fruit and vegetable standardization, and crop statistics.

The Salinas Valley Fair is a nonprofit organization that provides educational programs. This request aligns with Monterey County's strategic initiative to support programs and services that promote healthy choices in collaboration with communities.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT/COMMITTEE ACTIONS:

SVF supports this action.

FINANCING:

The funds are contained in the Agricultural Commissioner's Budget for FY 2025-2026. There are no changes to appropriations. Ongoing funding is subject to availability as determined through the County's annual Adopted Budget review and approval process.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS:

SVF is a nonprofit organization that provides educational programs. Agricultural education programs support the economic vitality of the industry by educating children and the public about how their food is produced and about careers in agriculture.

- ☐ Well-Being and Quality of Life
- ☐ Sustainable Infrastructure for the Present and Future
- ☐ Safe and Resilient Communities
- ☒ Diverse and Thriving Economy
- ☐ Dynamic Organization and Employer of Choice

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Attachments:

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SVF Fair MOU 2026