



Contra
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County

To: Board of Supervisors
From: Anna Roth, Health Services Director
Date: December 15, 2020

Subject: Contract #23-697 with Public Health Foundation Enterprises, Inc.

RECOMMENDATION(S):

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the Health Services Director, or designee, to execute on behalf of the County Contract #23-697 with Public Health Foundation Enterprises, Inc., a non-profit corporation, in an amount not to exceed \$774,212 to implement the COVID-19 Adult Ambassador Pilot Program, which promotes testing and best practices in areas of the County that are underserved or experiencing a high number of COVID-19 cases, for the period from December 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This contract will be funded by the Employment and Human Services Department-Workforce Development Board with 100% Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) funding (CFDA #17.258, #17.259, #17.278) and shall not exceed \$774,212.

These funds are 2019-2020 WIOA formula funds not fully expended during the designated program year due to COVID-19. Due to COVID-19, the term of these funds was extended through June 30, 2021 and can be utilized to support subsidized work experience employment for individuals who have been disconnected from employment and need retraining for a new career pathway.

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **12/15/2020** ☒ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

VOTE OF SUPERVISORS

AYE: John Gioia, District I Supervisor
Candace Andersen, District II Supervisor
Diane Burgis, District III Supervisor
Karen Mitchoff, District IV Supervisor
Federal D. Glover, District V Supervisor

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.

ATTESTED: December 15, 2020

David Twa, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: Laura Cassell, Deputy

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cc: Marcy Wilhelm

BACKGROUND:

Under WIOA Public Law 113-128, training services to Adult and Dislocated Workers mandates the provision of training services. Subsidized employment, work experience training, is an allowable and fundable activity under the federal Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA). Participants must be eligible for and enrolled in the WIOA program, have barriers to employment, and be in need of training for the positions in which they are placed.

Through an interagency agreement between the Health Services and the Employment and Human Services departments, and the utilization of contracted services under Contract #23-697 with Public Health Foundations Enterprises, Inc., the Adult Ambassador Pilot Program will be established to hire up to 36 Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) enrolled individuals as Adult Ambassadors who will provide comprehensive community engagement dedicated to promoting awareness of COVID-19 testing, best practices in community prevention and safety, and ultimately supporting positive health outcomes in areas/communities within the county that are traditionally underserved and experiencing a high number of COVID-19 cases, for the period of December 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.

Approval of Contract #23-697, will allow the contractor to implement a COVID-19 Adult Ambassador Pilot Program and promote testing and community best practices for safety, primarily in areas that are underserved or experiencing a surge in cases. This pilot will also assist in the County in meeting state requirements in outreach and testing, through June 30, 2021.

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

If this contract is not approved, preventive health efforts serving the most vulnerable Contra Costa County residents will be hindered and these groups will continue to be at high risk for COVID-19.