



Contra
Costa
County

To: Board of Supervisors
From: Family and Human Services Committee
Date: February 15, 2011

Subject: Referral to Family and Human Services Committee on the SNAP (Food Stamp) Program

RECOMMENDATION(S):

Refer to the Family and Human Services Committee a review of the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP, formerly known as Food Stamps) and the SNAP California Restaurant Meals Program as recommended by Supervisor Glover.

FISCAL IMPACT:

No fiscal impact from this referral.

BACKGROUND:

The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance program (SNAP), formerly known as Food Stamps, provides food assistance to more than 42 million low-income individuals and families annually. The U.S. Department of Agriculture funds SNAP. State and county agencies administer the program locally by enrolling recipients and verifying benefit levels.

The Restaurant Meals program helps expand food access to those who do not have a place to store and cook food, who may not be able to prepare food or who don't have access to a grocery store. The Restaurant Meals Program currently operates in Arizona and Michigan and in a handful of California counties. Contra Costa County does not participate.

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **02/15/2011** ☒ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

VOTE OF SUPERVISORS

AYE: John Gioia, District I
Supervisor
Gayle B. Uilkema, District II
Supervisor
Karen Mitchoff, District IV
Supervisor
Federal D. Glover, District V
Supervisor

ABSENT: Mary N. Piepho, District III
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: February 15, 2011

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

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CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

None

CHILDREN'S IMPACT STATEMENT:

None