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Contra Costa County

To: Board of Supervisors

From: William Walker, M.D., Health Services Director

Date: April 21, 2015

Subject: Submission of funding Application #28-875 to Community Awareness Emergency Response (CAER)

RECOMMENDATION(S):

Approve and authorize the Health Services Director, or his designee, to submit a funding application to Community Awareness Emergency Response (CAER), on behalf of the County, and if approved, accept funding in an amount not to exceed \$2,500 for the Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness Kits for Children with Disabilities Project, for the period from March 1, 2015 through February 29, 2016.

FISCAL IMPACT:

cc: C Rucker, Jacqueline Pigg

Approval of this funding application will result in a maximum amount of \$2,500 from CAER for Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness Kits for Children with Disabilities Project. (No County match required)

✓ APPROVE	OTHER
▼ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR	
Action of Board On: 04/21/2015 APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED OTHER Clerks Notes: VOTE OF SUPERVISORS	
Mary N. Piepho, District III Supervisor Supervisor ATTESTED: A	April 21, 2015 nty Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

BACKGROUND:

Contra Costa County has approximately 10,933 children with major disabilities. The number is higher than the other Bay Area Counties. Recent emergency incidents have shown the importance and complexity of emergency planning for populations with disabilities, not to mention how underserved these populations are. CAER Emergency preparedness Team is offering grants to be used to support drills and exercise.

The funds will be used to support drills, exercises, and create backpacks that will serve as emergency kits for medically fragile special needs children in the event of a shelter-in-place or evacuation. The goal of the project will be to provide training, education, and materials to families of the medically fragile, so they are best prepared to care for their child during an emergency, through February 29, 2016.

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

If this application is not accepted, the County will not receive funds to support Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness Kits for Children with Disabilities Project.

CHILDREN'S IMPACT STATEMENT:

Not applicable.