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To: Board of SupervisorsFrom: Kathy Gallagher, Employment & Human Services DirectorDate: June 16, 2015



Subject: Authorization to submit 2016-17 Community Action Plan (CAP) to State of California

RECOMMENDATION(S):

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the Employment and Human Services Director, or designee, to submit to the California Department of Community Services and Development the County's 2016-17 Community Action Plan to ameliorate poverty and increase self-sufficiency efforts for impacted Contra Costa County residents.

FISCAL IMPACT:

No direct fiscal impact.

The State of California will prepare and distribute a Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) contract for Contra Costa County once the State receives notice of its 2016 allocation.

BACKGROUND:

The 2016-17 Community Action Plan (CAP) was developed with input from Contra Costa County residents, Department staff and clients along with the County's Economic Opportunity Council (EOC). The EOC reviewed and approved the CAP at its regular meeting on June 4, 2015.

APP	ROVE	OTHER
RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE		
Action of	Board On: 06/16/2015	APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED OTHER
Clerks Notes:		
VOTE OF SUPERVISORS		
AYE:	John Gioia, District I Supervisor	
	Candace Andersen, District II 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.
	Mary N. Piepho, District III Supervisor	ATTESTED: June 16, 2015
	Karen Mitchoff, District IV Supervisor	David Twa, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
ABSENT:	Federal D. Glover, District V Supervisor	By: Stacey M. Boyd, Deputy
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The CAP guides the Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) program operated by the Community Services Bureau of the Employment & Human Services Department. Approval of the CAP

BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

by the Board of Supervisors will allow the document to move forward for State approval. Once approved, the State will generate a CSBG contract with the County for designated CSBG funds, which is based on County poverty data. The needs assessment is a process used to determine unmet needs of low-income individuals, families, and communities. The needs assessment informs CSBG eligible entities how to utilize CSBG funds to meet the needs of low-income persons in their service areas in accordance with the assurances in the CSBG Act.

The CSBG contract will provide continuing funds for CSBG self-sufficiency programs and emergency services for eligible county individuals and families. Funding will be determined by the State upon its receipt of notice of the federal CSBG allocation for California for 2016.

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

If not approved, the County will not have the basis to receive CSBG funding in the 2016 program year.

CHILDREN'S IMPACT STATEMENT:

The Employment and Human Services Department's Community Action program supports two of Contra Costa County's community outcomes: "Children Ready for and Succeeding in School" and "Families that are Safe, Stable, and Nurturing." These outcomes are achieved by offering comprehensive services through the Community Services Block Grant program, including high quality early childhood education, nutrition, and health services to low-income children, as well as self-sufficiency programs and emergency services for eligible county individuals and families throughout Contra Costa County.

ATTACHMENTS

2016-17 Community Action Plan CAP Assessment and Process documents