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Costa
County**

To: Board of Supervisors
From: Jessica Hudson, County Librarian
Date: November 3, 2015

Subject: Apply for and Accept a Grant from the Association for Library Services to Children

RECOMMENDATION(S):

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the County Librarian, or designee, to apply for and accept a grant in the amount of \$7,500 from the Association for Library Services to Children to provide materials for a youth computer coding program at the Concord Library for the period October 1, 2015 through May 31, 2016.

FISCAL IMPACT:

No Library Fund match.

BACKGROUND:

The Association for Library Service to Children (ALSC) is the world's largest organization dedicated to the support and enhancement of library service to children. From creative programming and best practices to continuing education and professional connections—ALSC members are innovators in the field of children's library service. Funds from this grant will allow the Concord Library to offer a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics)-based introductory course in computer programming to the children (ages 6-14) in the community. The program will not only take place in the library, but is planned to be offered at Mount Diablo Unified School District afterschool programs

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **11/03/2015** ☒ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

VOTE OF SUPERVISORS

AYE: John Gioia, District I Supervisor
Candace Andersen, District II Supervisor
Mary N. Piepho, 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: November 3, 2015

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

By: Chris Heck, Deputy

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cc:

and at Monument Impact.

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

If the proposal is not funded then the youth computer coding programs will not occur.

CHILDREN'S IMPACT STATEMENT:

This program supports **Children Ready for and Succeeding in School**. Through this program children will be exposed to beginning programming ideas. We will start our program in the library, but plan to move it out into the community through the Monument Impact Association and the Mount Diablo Unified School District afterschool program. In addition we will focus on components of creativity designed to inspire creativity through exploration of imagination, creativity, communication, self-expression, movement, flexibility, collaboration, decision-making and motivation.