



**Contra
Costa
County**

To: Board of Supervisors
From: William Walker, M.D., Health Services Director
Date: February 2, 2016

Subject: Submission of funding Application #28-362 to the American Academy of Pediatrics

RECOMMENDATION(S):

Approve and authorize the Health Services Director, or his designee, to submit funding application #28-362 to the American Academy of Pediatrics, on behalf of the County, in an amount not to exceed \$2,500 to support the County's Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Pediatric Mental Health Coalition Building Opportunity Project, for the period from January 1, 2016 through June 30, 2016.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Approval of this funding application will result in a maximum amount of \$2,500 from the American Academy of Pediatrics for County's Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Pediatric Mental Health Coalition Building Opportunity Project. (No County match required)

BACKGROUND:

In 2014, more than 1,000 children were hospitalized for mental health issues and nearly 30% of adolescence report symptoms of depression at some time during middle school and high school (kidsdata.org, 2015). It is well published that disasters affect every child in some way, and as resources and support are provided, there is an improvement in the level

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **02/02/2016** ☒ 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: February 2, 2016

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

By: Chris Heck, Deputy

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BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

and continued support strengthens the child's ability to recover. Without proper resources and support for the mental health needs of children during disasters, the children will ultimately fall into the already inundated EMS and hospital system during a disaster. The goal of the project will be to broaden the existing coalition's preparedness for caring for children in disasters, through training and develop a pediatric mental health provider strike team to deploy when requested to the disaster area, thereby meeting the needs of children and adolescence during the response and recovery phase of a disaster.

The funds will be used for training and to develop a pediatric mental health strike team in Contra Costa County to meet the mental health needs of children during disasters through June 30, 2016.

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

If this application is not accepted, the County will not receive funds to support needs of children and adolescence during the response and recovery phase of a disaster.

CHILDREN'S IMPACT STATEMENT:

NOT APPLICABLE