



**Contra
Costa
County**

To: Board of Supervisors

From: Kathy Gallagher, Employment & Human Services Director

Date: October 18, 2016

Subject: Authorization to submit 2016-17 Economic Opportunity Council Strategic Plan 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 Contra Costa County Economic Opportunity Council's 2016-17 Strategic Plan to ameliorate poverty and increase self-sufficiency efforts for impacted Contra Costa County residents.

FISCAL IMPACT:

No direct fiscal impact. Approval of the Community Action Plan (CAP) by the Board of Supervisors will allow the document to move forward for State approval. Once approved, the State will generate a Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) contract with the County for designated CSBG funds.

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. The Board of Supervisors approved the CAP at its June 16, 2015

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **10/18/2016** ☒ 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: October 18, 2016

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

By: June McHuen, Deputy

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cc: Nancy Sparks, Christina Reich, Cassandra Youngblood

meeting.

The CAP

BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

guides the Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) program operated by the Community Services Bureau of the Employment & Human Services Department. Approval of the CAP 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.

This board order is to approve the Strategic Plan of the Contra Costa County Economic Opportunity Council which is in complement to the CAP. The Strategic Plan was developed to meet the requirements of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Community Services (OCS), CSBG Organization Standards 6.1 - 6.5. The EOC approved the Strategic Plan on September 8, 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

EOC Strategic Plan